



2020 Steubenville Youth Conference  
June 12-14, 2020

“Restore us, O God of hosts; let thy face shine,  
that we may be saved.” –Psalm 80:3

At the core of our being is a desire for meaningful connection and authentic relationship. We long to love and be loved, but how often do we just feel lonely? As we search for ways to escape these feelings of isolation, there comes a small, quiet whisper that pierces through to the depths of our heart: “You are never alone, because you are Mine.” This summer, over 50,000 Catholic teens across North America will attend one of 24 Steubenville Youth Conferences to encounter the God who calls us His sons and daughters. Come and experience His overwhelming love for you. You belong here.

**The Steubenville Youth Conference is open to all Catholic teens in  
8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades as of Fall 2019**

To Sign Up:

- Fill out the **Consent and Liability Waiver attached.**
- Return to the parish office by **November 1st with your \$50 deposit** to hold your spot. (The remaining balance is due to the parish office by **April 6, 2020**)
- Complete Steubenville’s Registration and Liability Release (Link will be provided in January)

Thank you for your interest in attending the 2020 Youth Conference at Franciscan University of Steubenville. In this packet, you will find the answers to the most frequently asked questions about the conference. After reading the packet, if you have any further questions, please email [teamjesussteubenville@gmail.com](mailto:teamjesussteubenville@gmail.com) or call

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**First come, first served. Please turn in the last page and deposit (or register online at [form.jotform.com/62584639602159](http://form.jotform.com/62584639602159)) as soon as possible to ensure your spot.**

# Steubenville 2020 Registration Information

## **General Information**

This three-day conference addresses the needs of today's Catholic youth, with an exciting lineup of speakers, musicians, and presenters. This high school youth conference will challenge Catholic youth to stand firm in their faith. One of the highlights of the weekend is Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration. Many teens have come to a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit during these weekends. If you are beginning your walk with Christ, needing strength to continue the journey, or just ready to rejoice in the many blessings He has given, then this is the conference for you!

## **Registration Information**

To register for the conference, go to [form.jotform.com/62584639602159](http://form.jotform.com/62584639602159) or submit the Parental Consent and Liability Waiver (for parish use) included in this packet and your \$50 deposit by November 1, 2020. The final payment is due by April 6, 2020. All registrations will be taken on a first come, first serve basis, so return your registration and deposit today! If all spots are filled before November 1st, all new registrants will be placed on a waiting list in case of a cancellation. In early January, we will send out a link to Steubenville Youth Conferences' online Youth Liability Form (for Steubenville's use). This will need to be filled out, printed, signed, and turned in to the parish office before the conference.

## **Cost**

The total cost for each participant (including chaperones) is \$315. This cost includes the conference fee, bus transportation, meals during the conference, and a T-shirt. Realizing that families have differing abilities to pay, we are offering a 3-tier pricing program. Please take a moment to look at the fee descriptions listed on the Consent Form, and prayerfully consider which of these prices your family is able to pay. The main goal is to have Steubenville be affordable for all who wish to attend. Financial aid is available by contacting one of the organizers listed above. Please do not let money keep you from participating in this powerful event.

## **Cancellations**

Deposits are non-refundable. Final balances are non-refundable after April 6, 2020.

## **Departure & Arrival**

Teens and chaperones must arrive at St. Louis Parish (Batesville, IN) by 6:30am on Friday, June 12, 2020. Please check-in in the Old Gym for your t-shirt and instructions. We will celebrate Mass at the church at 7:00am.

We will return to St. Louis Parish on June 14th around 7:00pm. - 8:00pm. Please keep in mind that arrival time will depend on departure from the campus, traffic, restroom breaks, and a dinner stop. Please do not plan to be back home at a set time, as we cannot guarantee a return time.

## **Confessions**

If possible, go to Confession before the conference. Confessions will be available for youth during the conference, but confession lines tend to be very long. (Adults, Confessions during Steubenville are for the youth only – please try to get to Confession before the conference)

## **First Aid**

For any medical or health issue, all participants will be directed to First Aid.

Note: First Aid will not dispense medication (Tylenol, Advil, Aspirin, etc.) to participants. If needed, these medications can be purchased at the campus bookstore. All youth visiting First Aid must be accompanied by the Group Leader or an Adult Chaperone.

## **What to Bring**

Pack as light as possible. Try your best to keep it to one bag - YOU HAVE TO CARRY ALL THAT YOU BRING across campus. You will be sleeping in dorm rooms, usually 4 to a room, so some people will be sleeping on the floor. Also, once you leave your room in the morning, you won't be allowed to return until the end of the day, so a backpack or small bag to carry necessities might be helpful.

- BRING NUT FREE LUNCH AND A DRINK for Friday to eat on the bus ride there. Please be sure to eat breakfast before you come, or pack a NUT FREE breakfast to eat on the bus.
- Sleeping bag and pillow, and a small cot or twin size air mattress if available
- Toiletries, washcloth, and towel
- Umbrella or other rain gear
- Backpack or small bag to carry belongings throughout the day. Sleeping areas are off limits during the day.
- Sweatshirt or jacket for evening sessions (the Fieldhouse can get cold)
- Sunblock
- Bible, notebook and pen
- Good walking shoes
- Bathing suit for showers - Optional (All showers have shower curtains, but some people opt to bring bathing suits for added modesty)
- Spending money - Optional (to visit the Franciscan University Bookstore or coffee shop)
- Appropriate clothing (see Appropriate Dress and Speech below)
- Prescription and over the counter medicines should be kept in their original containers. Teens will be responsible for keeping medicines with them.

## **What Not to Bring**

- Valuables of any kind
- Alcohol
- Illegal drugs
- Tobacco Products
- Immodest clothing

## **Appropriate Dress and Speech (from Steubenville)**

Clothing must cover all undergarments and midriffs. Bikini tops, low cut tops, mini skirts, short shorts, leggings/jeggings/tight pants, or other inappropriate or profane attire are not to be worn at any time during the conference. Shorts must be past the fingertips when arms straightened fully. Gentlemen are required to wear shirts at all times. Shoes are also to be worn at all times. Group Leaders and Adult Chaperones are expected to communicate these expectations to the youth beforehand and to enforce the dress code at the conference. Foul and abusive language will not be tolerated.

## **Insubordination (from Steubenville)**

All Youth and Adult Chaperones are expected to follow the direction of security and Conference Staff. Any instances of insubordination will be subject to appropriate discipline and/or fines. Three Strike Violation System: We have implemented the following Three Strike Violation System for groups or individuals that violate any regulation or policy of Franciscan University of Steubenville.

First violation: A \$25 fine is assessed to the group.

Second violation: An additional \$25 fine is assessed to the group.

Third violation: A final \$25 fine, and the loss of conference attendance for one year is applied to the entire group.

For security reasons, Franciscan University of Steubenville reserves the right to check all bags/luggage/containers.

## **Housing Rules (from Steubenville)**

- No moving furniture (No bunking beds, no putting furniture in the hallway; chairs ARE allowed to be put on the desks or in the closets but must stay in the rooms.) Moving certain furniture can put teens in danger, as well as the Housing Hosts as they move through the rooms.
- No persons of the opposite gender are allowed in the dorm at any time.
- No noise after lights out and no leaving the dorm after lights out.
- Food may be eaten and kept in the rooms ONLY if there is no evidence of food afterwards.
- Rooms must be left clean enough to walk through each day. If we cannot reach the window, an infraction will occur.
- Disrespect or disregard of staff direction. All participants must follow staff direction in the dorm at all times.
- No defacing Housing Signs.

## **Food**

Please pack a NUT FREE lunch and drink for Friday, and a NUT FREE breakfast if you do not eat breakfast before arriving. We will eat on the bus on the way to Steubenville. Meals during the conference are provided. If you have specific allergies or intolerance to food, there is a counter for special dietary needs at the end of the right hand food line. Please let the staff at that counter know your specific needs and they will take care of getting food you can have.

## **Sample Schedule (This is pulled from previous years and is subject to change)**

### **Friday**

- 6:30a Check in at St. Louis School Old Gym (Batesville)
- 7:00a Mass at St. Louis Church
- 8:00a Instructions from Leaders
- 9:00a Depart from St. Louis Parish
- 2:00 - 6:00p Conference Arrival/Check-in (our arrival time will depend on traffic and rest stops)
- 4:30 - 7:00p Dinner
- 5:00 - 5:30p Group Leader & Chaperone Meeting (or 5:45-6:15)
- 6:45 - 9:15p Opening Session
- 9:15p-12:00a Small Group Time / Reconciliation
- 12:00a All Youth In Sleeping Areas

### **Saturday**

- 6:30 - 8:30a Breakfast
- 7:00 - 8:15a Reconciliation
- 7:30a Doors Open
- 8:30 – 10:45a General Session (to include Saturday daily Mass)
- 11:15-12:15p Women's Session & Men's Lunch
- 12:15 - 1:15p Women's Lunch & Men's Reconciliation
- 1:15 – 2:15p Men's Session & Women's Reconciliation
- 2:30 - 3:30p General Session
- 3:30 - 4:45p Open Time
- 4:45 – 5:30p Round of Workshops
- 5:30 – 7:30p Dinner / Small Groups / Reconciliation
- 6:45p Doors Open
- 7:45 - 10:15p General Session (including Adoration / Procession)
- 10:15-12:00a Small Group Time / Reconciliation
- 12:00a All Youth In Sleeping Areas

### **Sunday**

- 7:00 – 9:00a Breakfast
- 7:30 - 8:45a Reconciliation
- 8:00a Doors Open
- 9:00 - 12:00p General Session (including Mass)
- 12:00 - 1:00p Check-Out / Departure (Box lunches will be distributed on the buses)
- 7:00/8:00ish Arrive at St. Louis Parish (Arrival time will depend on traffic and rest stops)

# 2020 Steubenville Youth Conference (June 12-14, 2020)

## PARENTAL/GUARDIAN CONSENT FORM AND LIABILITY WAIVER

(A link to Steubenville Youth Conference Online Registration will be available in December or January)

Participant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_ Gender: M/F

Address/City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Participant Cell\*: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Participant Email\*: \_\_\_\_\_  
\*By providing youth cell and/or email, you give permission for your son/daughter to be contacted, via phone, text, or email, by youth leaders for reminders, upcoming events, and important information

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Parish (include city)  
\_\_\_\_\_

Is this your first Steubenville Conference? Y / N.

T-Shirt Size: (Circle One)  
Adult sizes - S / M / L / XL / 2X / 3X / 4X  
Will you need a red "Team Jesus" shirt? Y / N

### Please initial ONE (1) of the following:

- \_\_\_\_\_ I hereby grant permission for nonprescription medication (such as aspirin, throat lozenges, cough syrup) to be given to my teen by an adult chaperone, if deemed advisable.
- \_\_\_\_\_ No medication of any type whether prescription or nonprescription may be administered to my teen unless emergency treatment is required.

Please list any special medical conditions for your teen including allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_, grant permission for my teen, \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Steubenville Youth Conference and all events, meetings and fundraising associated with the preparation of this conference. I have read, and agree to, the Guidelines provided in this packet.

I will not hold the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, any Parish within the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, chaperones, leaders, or representatives associated with the Archdiocese and/or parishes responsible in the event of injury. Further I agree to accept any and all financial responsibility as a result of scheduling necessary emergency medical treatment. I hereby warrant that, to the best of my knowledge, my teen is in good health, and I assume all responsibility for the health of my teen.

In the event of an emergency, I hereby give permission to transport my child to a hospital for emergency medical or surgical treatment. I wish to be advised prior to any further treatment by the hospital or doctor. In the event of an emergency, if you are unable to reach me at the above numbers, please contact the person I have designated below to act on my behalf.

Emergency contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Please select the best payment option for your family\*\*: (\$50 deposit due with this form-remainder is due 04/06/20)

- \_\_\_\_\_ **A. \$315** (Full Cost including travel, t-shirt, etc.). We understand that we are not required to work the fundraisers, but may choose to if possible.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **B. \$215** (Cost of Conference Only) **and** we will help with at least one of the fundraisers listed below to help cover the cost of our travel, meals, t-shirt, and other misc. expenses associated with this conference.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **C. \$\_\_\_\_\_** (Amount we have prayerfully considered that our family can afford at this time) **and** we will help with **all** of the fundraisers listed below to help cover some of the cost of our registration, travel, meals, t-shirt, and other expenses associated with the conference.

\*\*Please do not let money keep your teen from participating - contact an organizer for more scholarship options.

### Possible Fundraisers

Feb-April: Raffle

March/April: Cookout and Bake sale (bake goodies, help at the cookout)

April: Breakfast

May: Other fundraiser as needed