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Reach Youth Ministry team members work closely with young people in a ministerial environment. Therefore, due to the nature of our work, a careful assessment of an applicant's strengths and weaknesses is critical to the application process.

By signing this form I hereby state that:

1. To the best of my knowledge I have been complete, accurate and truthful in all that I have disclosed in the application.
2. I understand that the information given in my application materials is available only to Reach Youth Ministry.
3. I give permission to the Reach interviewing staff to view and discuss all information given in my application materials.

Applicant's signature / Date

Please print Applicant's name

REACH TEAM APPLICATION

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Today's Date _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____ MI _____ Name you prefer (e.g. Joe for Joseph) _____

Gender (circle one) Male Female Age _____ Birth date ____/____/____
month day year

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Zip _____ County _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Parent / Guardian Information

Father's Name _____ **Mother's Name** _____

Address _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Phone _____

1. My home parish is _____ which is in the Diocese of _____

2. What exposure have you had to Reach which influenced your decision to apply?

- I attended a Reach retreat or Conference. Where? _____
- I / my family hosted Reach team members. Please name _____
- I met / know a former Reach team member. Please name _____
- I saw Reach's Website
- I have applied to Reach in the past

3. Catholic Faith:

- I was baptized at the age of: _____.
- I was confirmed in the Catholic Church at the age of _____.
- I converted to Catholicism at the age of _____ from the _____ faith.
- For the past year I have met my obligation of attending Sunday Mass and Holy Days of Obligation.

4. Have you participated in any of the following since you have been confirmed and/or left high school?

- Bible study _____
- Religious Education _____
- Christian Fellowship groups _____
- Other _____

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5. Do you speak Spanish? _____ If you speak Spanish, are you a(n) [beginner / intermediate / advanced / fluent] speaker in Spanish. Please explain: _____

6. What instrument(s) do you play and for how long? Skill level: beginner, intermediate, advanced?

7. Please describe any experience you have had in playing for liturgy and/or youth ministry events.

8. Have you ever worked in a ministry setting for more than one year? Y N If yes, when? _____
What did you do? _____
Supervisor's name: _____ Phone #: _____ May we call them? _____

9. Please mark all that apply to you:

- I am a senior in High School.
- I graduated from high school in _____.
- I received a GED in _____.
- I have not received my high school diploma or the equivalent as of today's date.

10. Please document any post-high school education.

A. School Name _____ Major/Minor _____
Years Attended _____ Degree/Certificate Earned _____

B. School Name _____ Major/Minor _____
Years Attended _____ Degree/Certificate Earned _____

11. Please list your last two paid positions of employment.

A. Business Name _____ Supervisor's Name _____
Phone Number _____ Job Title _____
Duties _____ Dates of Employment _____ to _____

B. Business Name _____ Supervisor's Name _____
Phone Number _____ Job Title _____
Duties _____ Dates of Employment _____ to _____

12. Please list the last two volunteer positions held.

A. Organization _____ Phone Number _____
Supervisor's Name _____ Duties _____
How Long did you volunteer? _____ How often did you volunteer? _____

B. Organization _____ Phone Number _____
Supervisor's Name _____ Duties _____
How Long did you volunteer? _____ How often did you volunteer? _____

13. How many siblings do you have? Brothers _____ Sisters _____ Half Brothers _____ Half Sisters _____
Step Brothers _____ Step Sisters _____

14. I am the _____ of _____ children. (i.e. 1st of 5 children)

15. **Please mark all that apply to you**

- I [live / lived] in a foster home.
- I [live / lived] in a guardians care.
- I [am / was] married.
- I [have / had] a child.
- My father died when I was _____ years old.
- My mother died when I was _____ years old.
- My parents are [practicing / nonpracticing] Catholics.
- Neither parents have ever been catholic
- Only my father is a practicing Catholic
- Only my mother is a practicing Catholic

16. Name 2 characteristics that describe your family. Please elaborate.

Please complete the following sentences:

17. I would describe my relationship with my mother as:

18. I would describe my relationship with my father as:

19. I would describe my relationship with my brothers and sisters as:

Please mark all that apply to you

20a. In relationships when I am hurt, I tend to:

- Feel responsible.
- Talk to the person involved.
- Withdraw
- Talk to someone else about how I feel.
- Get angry.
- Ignore my feelings and behave as if things were normal.
- Cry.
- Other: _____

20b. Please elaborate on how you handle situations like this:

21. Are you currently involved in a dating relationship? _____ If, yes, how serious is it? _____

22. If yes, are you aware of Reach's singles commitment? _____

23. Describe one strength you possess in relating with others.

24. Describe one weakness you possess in relating with others (or an area you would like to improve in).

25. Describe your ability and experience in following peer leadership. How can you improve?

26. Describe your ability and experience in leading your peers. How can you improve?

27. The following are examples of situations you'll encounter on a Reach Team. Please rate how difficult the following situations will be for you by filling in the blank with either E for Easy, M for medium or D for difficult.

- _____ Traveling in a van for long periods of time
- _____ Having different host home accommodations every few nights
- _____ Having less personal time than you are used to
- _____ Getting less sleep than you may be used to
- _____ Experiencing different foods and cultures
- _____ Having little control over what you eat
- _____ Not dating or pursuing a dating relationship for a year
- _____ Resolving conflicts with teammates as they come up
- _____ Sharing a room with others
- _____ Following curfew and lights out
- _____ Not drinking alcohol at all for a year
- _____ Relating to different personality types
- _____ Homesickness

28. Which 3 of the above statements do you feel will be the easiest for you and why?

29. Which 3 of the above statements do you anticipate to be the most difficult for you and why?

30. I would describe my physical health as: _____above average _____average _____below average

31. Please list any allergies you have (food, pets, medications).

32. Do you have any ongoing medical conditions we should know about? *(i.e. asthma, diabetes, seizures, migraines, ulcers, back or knee injuries, depression, anxiety, etc)*

33. Are you currently seeing a doctor or under prescription for anything? _____ If yes, please explain.

Short Essay Questions

On separate paper, please answer the following questions in detail. Be sure to number them.

1. Please complete the following sentence: I am applying to Reach at this time in my life because . . .
2. How does your family feel about you applying for Reach?
3. Describe any educational and career goals you have for yourself.
4. Please tell us about your faith journey and how it's brought you to the point of applying for Reach. Be sure to include people, places, groups etc. that played an important role.
5. How has your relationship with the Lord changed you?
6. Describe your prayer life, including when and how you pray and what spiritual resources you use (*rosary, bible, Liturgy of the Hours, devotionals, etc*).
7. Think of a person you look up to. List and describe this person's qualities and characteristics that inspire you or that you desire to possess yourself.
8. What do you value about being Catholic?
9. Regarding the teachings of the Catholic Church, is there anything you don't understand, would like to have clarified, or with which you simply disagree? Please be specific.
10. Have you had any exposure and/or experience with the gifts (charisms) of the Holy Spirit as spoken of in scripture? (*wisdom, knowledge, faith, gift of healing, prophecy, gift of tongues, interpreting tongues*) 1 Cor 12:4-11.
11. What is your experience in praying through song (praise and worship)?
12. What areas of your life are you currently trying to improve? What do you see as the greatest obstacles to your growth in the Lord at this time?
13. Looking back over what you've written, is there anything else you feel we should know as we consider your application?

Thank you for taking the time to fill out this application. You will be on our prayers as you go through the application process. Be sure to give your referrals to people so they can get them in soon. God Bless you!

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