

**The following forms need a signature before being returned to the NYC Office.
Check them off when signed.**

- Medical Waiver
- Financial Covenant
- Adult Participant Covenant
- NYC Advisor Covenant
- Assumption of Risk Agreement and Release



PLEASE RETURN ALL FORMS BY APRIL 1, 2022

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MEDICAL WAIVER

I, _____, an adult participant at the National Youth Conference sponsored by the Church of the Brethren, Inc. ("the NYC"), hereby give permission to the NYC staff to provide me routine health care, administer prescribed medications, and seek emergency medical treatment including ordering x-rays or routine tests. I agree to the release of any records necessary for treatment, referral, billing, or insurance purposes. I give permission to the Church of the Brethren, Inc. to arrange necessary related transportation for me. I give permission to the physician selected by the NYC staff to secure and administer treatment, including hospitalization, for me.

Advisor Signature

Date

FINANCIAL COVENANT

I, _____, an adult participant at NYC, agree to assume full financial responsibility for any damages or injuries to property or persons resulting from my actions in attendance at NYC. I also agree to be financially responsible for transportation if I leave the conference for any reason.

Advisor Signature

Date

NYC ADULT PARTICIPANT COVENANT

As an adult participant at National Youth Conference, I, _____, agree to:

1. Be sincere in my motives for attending NYC and to make foremost the goals of personal growth and Christian fellowship;
2. Attend all worship services, small group sessions, and workshops (unless I am hiking or at a service project);
3. Not bring or use any controlled substances (alcohol, tobacco products, marijuana), illegal drugs, or weapons while at NYC;
4. Not participate in any behavior that endangers conference participants or myself;
5. Exhibit appropriate and respectful behavior, attire, and language;
6. Not be in the housing of the opposite gender at any time;
7. Be in my room by curfew each night;
8. Follow facility rules;
9. Not leave CSU campus except when hiking or on a service project;
10. Wear a face mask at all times except for when I am outside, eating, taking a shower, or in my dorm room.
11. Adhere to other NYC COVID protocols as outlined by NYC staff immediately prior to the event. (I acknowledge that appropriate protocols for COVID cannot be defined until closer to July 2022.)
12. Follow any other rules set by the NYC staff.

Advisor Signature

Date

NYC ADVISOR COVENANT

As an advisor at National Youth Conference, I, _____, understand, agree, and attest to the following:

1. This conference is for youth. I come in order to help youth to have the best experience possible and to have an opportunity to grow spiritually. The week of NYC is not primarily for me, my needs, or my desires. I covenant to put the needs and well-being of the youth of my congregation as the primary focus of my week.
2. I understand that I am a caretaker of children. I understand there is a clear power difference between myself and youth. I understand that inappropriate sexual contact with or physical abuse of a youth can have severe emotional and psychological effects on that youth that can last a lifetime. I agree to maintain appropriate boundaries as I work with youth at NYC.
3. I agree to take responsibility for knowing where my youth are, to be sure they attend the two daily worship services, their small group sessions, and workshops. I understand that the NYC Office cannot know the whereabouts of over 3,000 youth, so I will be responsible for those in my own congregation. If they violate their covenant and go off campus or skip required activities, I understand that it is my responsibility to address such violations with youth for whom I am serving as the advisor.
4. I will check to see that the youth of my congregation of the same gender arrive in their residence hall room before the midnight curfew.
5. I will be an appropriate role model for youth and will abide by the participants' covenant: to attend sessions, to not go off campus (except during recreation), and to not use or possess any controlled substances (alcohol, tobacco products, marijuana), illegal drugs, or weapons. I will be available to listen to, talk with, and care for the youth of my congregation and strive to help NYC be a spiritually growing experience for the youth of my church.
6. I agree to watch for signs of stress in myself and others and to confront other staff or advisors who seem at risk for hurting or abusing youth. I will seek help for myself if I feel at risk of hurting, over stimulating, or abusing youth.
7. I will alert the NYC Dean's Office when more careful supervision of, intervention with, or support of conference participants or staff is needed. I will go to the NYC Dean as a resource person if I require additional help in carrying out my responsibilities outlined in this covenant and by my church.
8. I understand that the Colorado State University campus will require a good deal of walking from residence halls to dining halls, worship, workshops, and other meetings.
9. I attest that I have never been convicted of child abuse or any other crime against children.
10. I am at least 22 years of age.

Advisor Signature

Date

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN, INC.

It is agreed and understood between the Church of the Brethren, Inc. and any person (not employed by the Church of the Brethren, Inc.) who elects to participate in the Church of the Brethren, Inc. sponsored activity commonly known as the 2022 National Youth Conference that the following conditions of participation shall apply:

1. I fully understand that by participating in the 2022 National Youth Conference sponsored by the Church of the Brethren, Inc. (hereinafter called National Youth Conference), that I do so at my own risk.
2. In consideration of being permitted to participate in the various activities at National Youth Conference, I further agree that the Church of the Brethren, Inc., its coordinators, employees, and agents, shall not be liable for any damages arising from personal injuries or property damages sustained by me at National Youth Conference, or in traveling to and from the location of the conference.
3. I accept and assume all responsibility for my personal actions and any and all risks of damage or personal injury or property damage which occur during or result from my participation in the National Youth Conference.
4. Further, I hereby release, discharge, and hold harmless the Church of the Brethren, Inc., its coordinators, employees, and agents, from any and all claims, demands, damages, or causes of action, present or future, whether the same be known, anticipated or unanticipated, resulting from or arising out of my attendance at National Youth Conference or from traveling to and from the conference, including risks associated with COVID.

I have carefully read this Assumption of Risk Agreement and Release and fully understand its content and intent.

Advisor Name

Advisor Signature

Date