

Youth Event Verification Form for Congregations/Employers

Re: Child Protection Background Checks for Youth Leaders and Chaperones Attending ACC Youth Events (ACC Bible Quizzing, ACC Fall Youth Retreat, etc.)

To be completed by a representative of the congregation or employer with access to the filed background certifications of volunteers

I verify that the following individuals, who are likely to attend Atlantic Coast Conference-sponsored youth events, have all undergone, within the past five years: 1) the Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance Certification; 2) the Pennsylvania State Police Request for Criminal Record Check; and 3) the FBI Fingerprint Check (unless, in the case of a volunteer, the individual has lived in Pennsylvania for the past ten years and affirms that they have not been convicted of any crime, in another state, similar to the convictions disqualifying a person in Pennsylvania. Residents of other states will be required to submit their respective states' child abuse and state police background checks). I understand that this verification form is valid for one year. Our congregation maintains the results of all background checks in a confidential location.

Name(s) of Youth Leaders and Chaperones Likely to Attend ACC-Sponsored Youth Events:

Primary Role with Youth:

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<u>Note:</u> All paid and unpaid youth leaders or chaperones who attend an ACC-sponsored youth event will be required to sign or present, by the start of that event, the "Youth Events Volunteer Covenant" document confirming that they:

- have never been charged with or convicted of child abuse or any criminal conduct relating to children, nor have they ever been listed as the perpetrator of an indicated or founded report of child abuse on Pennsylvania's or any other state's registry
- have never been convicted of any of Pennsylvania's legally disqualifying offenses
- have undergone these background checks within the past five years: 1) the Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance; 2) the Pennsylvania State Police Request for Criminal Record Check; and 3) the FBI Fingerprint Check (unless I am an unpaid volunteer, have lived in Pennsylvania for the entirety of the past ten years, in which case I affirm that I meet the PA residence requirement and that I have not been convicted of any crime, in another state, similar to the convictions disqualifying a person in Pennsylvania. If I am a resident of another state I will be required to undergo my respective states' child abuse and state police background checks, if available). These background checks are filed in my church's office and are valid for one year.
- understand what constitutes "child abuse" under Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Law.
- will not engage in any inappropriate or abusive conduct with children while attending this event.
- understand and will comply with their duties as a mandated reporter of suspected child abuse under Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Law.

Name of Congregation / Employer	
Name of Representative Completing this Form (Please print)	
Signature of Representative Completing this Form	Date
Title of Congregational Representative / Employer	

Please return this completed form to:

Atlantic Coast Conference c/o Brook Musselman 2257 Old Philadelphia Pike Lancaster, PA 17602 office@atlanticcoastconference.net

Please contact the ACC office with any questions 717-394-8107