

ST. JOHN'S CONFIRMATION BEHAVIOR CONTRACT

Confirmation candidates are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which is in alignment with our christian beliefs and values. Everyone who attends confirmation class is encouraged to participate in class and events in order to better understand their role in the church as an active member. During this time it is expected that the candidates use this time as an opportunity to reflect on their spiritual journey thus far and to increase their knowledge of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

CONFIRMATION CLASS EXPECTATIONS:

Candidates will arrive on time and be prepared for class

Candidates will be respectful of all church property (inside and outside)

Candidates will dress appropriately for class (no inappropriate t-shirts, no belly buttons showing, appropriate length shorts, no hats, etc)

Candidates will leave cell phones at the door and will ask permission to utilize if necessary during class

Candidates will participate in all classes by actively listening to others and collaborating with fellow candidates

Candidates will be respectful of the class leader at all times

CONSEQUENCES:

- 1st Offense--Verbal warning will be issued to candidate to
- 2nd Offense--Class leader will notify parents to pick up candidate and will have to attend the next class with adult/guardian (for entire class)
- 3rd Offense--Conversation will take place with council member(s), candidate, and parents to discuss further action that needs to be taken. Candidate may not return to class until the issue has been discussed with all parties.

CHURCH SERVICE EXPECTATIONS:

Candidates will attend church service with an adult (parent, guardian, grandparent, neighbor, etc)

Candidates must sit on main floor (may not sit in balcony)

Candidates are expected to be attentive throughout service

Candidates are expected to dress properly for service (no inappropriate t-shirts/hats/etc)

Candidates are expected to be respectful and courteous to all church members

Candidates are expected to refrain from cell phone use during church service

Candidates are expected to follow service/communion traditions: (standing for Holy Gospel, standing in line quietly awaiting communion, holding hand out for wafer, setting wine cup on table, returning to pew, bowing head in prayer to give thanks following communion, etc)

Candidates are expected to participate in worship services (usher/acolyte/reader/etc)

CHURCH SERVICE CONSEQUENCES:

- The expectation is that at the services the adult attending service with the candidate will address inappropriate behavior directly with the candidate. If there are behaviors that are habitual and are noted by congregation or council the concern will be discussed with the parent/guardian directly.

SERIOUS OFFENSES

Examples of serious offenses: Excessive profanity/offensive language, vandalism to church property, theft, sexual misconduct, use or possession of drugs/alcohol, weapon possession, and/or violent behavior

- If any of the serious offenses occur it will warrant immediate expulsion from St. John's Lutheran Church Confirmation Program

I attest that I have read the behavior contact and I fully understand the expectations and consequences.

Student Name (print): _____ Grade: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (print): _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____