



## Volunteer Application for Youth (Middle & High School Age) Working With Children

*Responses will be kept fully confidential*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Position applying for \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently a member of Spirit of Joy? YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

List name & address of all churches you have attended regularly during the past five years:

\_\_\_\_\_

### **Experience:**

List **all** previous church and non-church work involving children, youth or vulnerable adults. *Use separate page, if necessary.*

Organization's name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Work performed \_\_\_\_\_

Dates involved \_\_\_\_\_

List any training, education, gifts or other factors that have prepared you for the ministry for which you are applying. *(talents, training, etc.)*

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### **Personal References:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

**Background:**

*(Please answer each question. If for any reason you prefer not to answer any of the questions in writing, you may discuss your answers in confidence with the Senior Pastor or designate.)*

1. Have you ever been convicted of, pled no contest to, or received pre-trial diversion for, to a crime involving allegations of sexual abuse, molestation, physical abuse or any similar charges? If "yes," please explain in detail and attach a separate sheet if necessary.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

2. Have you ever been convicted of, pled no contest to, or received pre-trial diversion for any felony or misdemeanor involving drugs, alcohol or violence? If "yes," please explain in detail and attach a separate sheet if necessary.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

3. Do you have any issues in your background that would make it difficult for you to work with children, youth or vulnerable adults, or abide by these policies due to past or ongoing abuse of any kind? If "yes," please explain in detail and attach a separate sheet if necessary.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

**Applicant's Statement:**

- The information contained in this screening application is correct to the best of my knowledge
- I agree to allow Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church to check my references and verify my fitness for the position.
- I authorize any references or churches listed in this application to give any information that they may have regarding my character and fitness for work with children, youth or vulnerable adults. o In consideration of the receipt and evaluation of the application by Spirit of Joy, I release any individual, church, youth organization, charity, employer, reference, or any other person or organization, including record custodians, both collectively and individually, from any and all liability for damages for release of the requested information.
- Should my application be accepted, I agree to be bound by the Constitution, Bylaws and policies of Spirit of Joy Lutheran church, and to perform my services on behalf of the church in accordance with scriptural conduct.
- I agree that I have made the decision to volunteer in this position prayerfully and will do my best to serve in a way that will be pleasing to God.

**I further state that I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE ABOVE RELEASE AND KNOW THE CONTENTS THEREOF, AND I SIGN THIS RELEASE AS MY OWN FREE ACT. This is a legally binding agreement which I have read and understood.**

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Statement:**

I allow my child to participate as a volunteer at Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church and agree that the information on the above form is correct. I believe my child is a good candidate for this position and will be a blessing to the program for which they are volunteering.

Parent/Guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_