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Dear Youth Staff,

We are excited to be sending you this application for Fall Convention 2010!!
The dates for Fall Convention are November 12th-14th, 2010. The location for
Fall Convention will be Adath Israel in Lower Merion !!!

As the Co-Chairs of the upcoming convention, we would like to introduce
ourselves. My name is Carly Pogachefsky from TIBE, Jake Fischer, of Beth El
in Voorhees and Molly Rothschild of Adath Israel. We are all very excited to be
your Fall Co-Chairs and to be planning this weekend for Hagesher Region USY!
Bring your friends to Fall because you're not going to want to miss out on this
convention!

Fall Convention is a great opportunity to get to spend a weekend with friends,
meet new people, spend Shabbat in a wonderful community and be part of
exciting programs throughout the weekend including religious, social events,
social action, and much more. The cost for Fall Convention is \$140.00. This
includes transportation to and from Adath Israel.

After we receive your application for Fall Convention we will send you more
information regarding what to bring to Convention and transportation
information. We look forward to an awesome weekend with all of you. So sign
up now for Fall Convention 2010!

Thank you so much

Carly, Jake and Molly
Fall Co-Chairs 2010

Ira Pogachefsky
Hagesher Youth Coordinator

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WHO:

All 8th-12th Grade
Hagesher USYers!

WHAT:

Hagesher
Fall Convention

WHEN:

Friday, November 12th
Sunday, November 14th 2010

WHERE:

Adath Israel
Lower Merion

WHY:

Come see all of your USY friends, celebrate Shabbat together USY Style, and spend a weekend full of awesome activities!

**Registration Fee for USY'ers:
\$140.00**

The application fee includes transportation

*Please note that late applications will be charged a fee of \$15.00.

*Fall Convention
November 12-14, 2010
Adath Israel Lower Merion
Co-Chairs
Jake Fischer, Carly Pogachefsky
and Molly Rothschild*

**USY Application Due Date
Weds., November 3rd**

Cancellation Policy:

If you cancel on or before November 5, 2010 you will receive a \$75.00 refund. After November 5th no money will be refunded, as per Regional Youth Commission Policy

Name _____ Full Hebrew Name _____

Sex: F M Grade _____ Age _____ Birthday _____

Chapter (synagogue you are attending Convention with) _____

Full Address _____

USY'ers E-mail Address _____ Parent's Email _____

Home Phone #() _____ Parent Cell #() _____ USY'ers Cell #() _____

Parent 1/Guardian _____ Work Phone () _____

Parent 2/Guardian _____ Work Phone () _____

In Emergency Notify _____ Phone () _____

Medical Insurance Company _____ Policy Number _____

Name of Policy Holder _____

Current Medication _____ Check if being sent _____

Allergies _____

Physician _____ Phone () _____

I need to be housed within walking distance of the synagogue: **YES NO**

I am a Vegetarian: **YES NO** I need to be in a house without pets: **YES NO**

My child has my permission to attend the Hagesher USY Fall Convention. In case of an emergency, I give the adult in charge my permission for medical treatment to facilitate immediate emergency action. I hereby authorize the medical personnel to order x-rays, routine tests and treatment for my child, and in the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby authorize the physician to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for and order injection and/or anesthesia and/or surgery for my child as named above. I understand that I shall be responsible to pay for any medical care rendered to my child while attending this USY function.

Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

During the convention, I give permission to the staff member in charge or Medical personnel on duty to dispense over the counter medications. I understand that the amount of medication dispensed will be according to the recommended dosage on the bottle. These medications will mostly include, but are not limited to, Tylenol, Advil, Benadryl.

Parent Guardian _____ Date _____

ATTENTION: You must read and sign the code of conduct on the reverse side of this application. Without a signature on the code of conduct, the application is incomplete and will not be processed.

Please return this completed application with: A check payable to USY Fall Convention, and a self-addressed, stamped business envelope

Mail to: Hagesher USY Fall, 7605 Old York Rd., Melrose Park, PA 19027

Name of Participant _____ Region _____

INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT FOR USYERS, KADIMANIKS AND STAFF

Year after year, the Kadima and USY members have a great time at our Regional activities. Because of our genuine concern and care for each member, and so that all can enjoy these programs to the fullest extent without interference, we have a Code of Conduct at Regional events. These rules are basic, simple and fair, and in the best interest of all participants. It is the responsibility of parents to review these rules and stress their importance to their children as we will expect full compliance. We reserve the right to call parents of individuals whose behavior is inconsistent with the Code of Conduct below to personally pick up their child from the event (with no refund) and/or to exclude their child from future events.

1. There is to be no smoking.
2. There is to be no possession or use of any narcotics, marijuana, other illegal drugs or prescription drugs not prescribed for the user. Matches, firecrackers (or similar devices), knives, sharp or dangerous objects, as well as the items mentioned before are not permitted to be brought to camp, nor may they be in the possession or cabin of any Camper.
3. There will be no possession or consumption of any alcoholic beverages.
4. There will be no shoplifting or other theft of any kind.
5. If a USYer/Kadimanik is caught in possession of/or using alcohol or illegal drugs, he/she will immediately be sent home at his/her parents' expense. Furthermore, USY International policy states: "Anyone violating any such rules at a regional event for the infraction of these rules is barred from International events for one year following the infraction. Individuals will also be prohibited from participating in the next major regional USY program and other events occurring in the interim, and prohibited from chairing events or staffing programs for six months. Individuals already in leadership positions will be removed. A major Regional event is a regionally sponsored overnight event, such as a convention, Kinnus or Encampment. These events will also include (but are not limited to) the International USY Convention and USY summer programs." The Region reserves the right to impose additional sanctions in connection with this or any other improper behavior as it sees fit.
6. All participants are expected to be in sessions (services, meals, study groups, etc.). Swimming is permitted only at scheduled times when certified supervision is present. The pool and lake areas are off limits at all other times. Because the campgrounds are very spacious, certain other areas will be announced as off limits for your safety. NO USYer/Kadimanik may leave the premises without prior approval of the Regional Director and a parent.
7. All males are expected to bring a tallit and tefillin. All males are required to wear a kipah during all services, meals and study groups. Tallit/tefillin must be worn for morning services where appropriate.
8. Each participant is expected to maintain proper decorum and attitude during the entire program. Disruptive behavior (including, among other things, inappropriate sexual behavior) will not be tolerated. Your parents will be responsible to pay for any damage you may cause.
9. Proper dress is expected of everyone. For Shabbat, males must wear a shirt and tie or sweater, no jeans or sneakers. Females are to wear dresses or skirts, no shorts, culottes or dress pants. All USYers/Kadimaniks shall wear clothing appropriate to the event/location. Please note that you may not wear tank tops, halters, see through blouses or strapless shirts to regional events.
10. All housing/rooming/bunking assignments are final. Changes in bunking can only be made by the Regional Director or her designee. All USYers must be in their assigned bunks at curfew and remain there. Males are not permitted in sleeping rooms of females and females are not allowed in the sleeping rooms of males.
11. Each participant is expected to conduct him/herself appropriately as a Conservative Jew (including through the observance of Shabbat and Kashrut), in accordance with applicable standards of the Law and Standards Committee of the Rabbinical Assembly and/or the local Rabbinical Authority.
12. No USYer shall violate any civil or criminal law, including but not limited to, those related to tampering of or destruction of property, and destruction of one's own or another person's physical and/or mental integrity. Inappropriate or unwelcome physical contact or language, indecent attire or public nudity, shall not be permitted.
13. The Region reserves the right to search the room and belongings of any attendee if it has reasonable grounds to believe that such a search is necessary to secure and maintain the health, safety and/or welfare of the program and/or its participants. The USY or Kadima Director, in consultation with the Regional Youth Commission, reserves the right to enforce other rules relating to the integrity of the Regional Youth Program and/or the health, safety or welfare of its participants.

I have read these rules and understand them fully. I certify that I will adhere to this Code and will conduct myself in a manner reflecting credit upon myself, my Chapter, congregation and community. Any violation of this code of conduct may result in the participant being sent home at his/her parents' expense. The Regional Director has the sole discretion to send a participant home.

SIGNATURE OF USYer

I _____, the parent/guardian of _____, a minor, who will be participating in USY/Kadima Regional programs, do hereby certify that I have read the Code of Conduct set forth above. I do hereby agree that if my child who has signed the above Rules of Conduct fails to adhere to the Code, then in such event those persons in charge of the program may send my child home at my expense. I understand that the Regional Youth Director has the sole discretion to send my child home.

I have been made aware of the fact that the events in which my child is participating may be photographed by either amateur or professional photographers, which the photographs taken may be used both for purposes of reporting on the event or for such other use as the USY or Kadima organization may determine. I have no objection to the pictures taken being used at any time for promotional use. It is my understanding that by signing this document I consent to the use of the pictures just referred to for any purpose whatsoever.

SIGNATURE OF PARENT

DATE

ALL USYers/Kadimaniks MUST HAVE MEDICAL INSURANCE IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN REGIONAL PROGRAMS.