

The Diocese of Birmingham - Office for Youth
CROSS
2021-22 Team Application

*** Applicants should be in grade 10, 11 or 12 (as of Sep. 2021. However, have a few spots for college age youth. Call Don Schwarzhoff if you are interested) ***

Retreat Schedule

Aug 6-8, 2021 – Team (Discernment)Retreat

Oct 8-10, 2021 – Fall Cross Retreat

Mar 4-6, 2022 – Spring Cross Retreat

The CROSS Team is made up of selected high school students and adult youth ministers who give leadership to the CROSS Retreats. Go to our website (www.crossretreat.net) for more information on what the CROSS Retreats are all about. You may complete and mail the attached application, or you may choose to complete the application on-line instead of paper.

Each year the Team conducts two retreats, one in the fall and one in the spring. The team is selected during the summer and begins work immediately on the CROSS Retreats.



Essential Team Attitudes:

- † I care about my peers and am willing to serve them
- † I will live a moral life, worthy of a young Catholic role-model
- † I will support and build up other members of the CROSS Team
- † I want to learn more about my Catholic faith
- † I am willing to do my share of the work.
- † I will respect the God-given dignity of everyone I encounter
- † I will cooperate with Co-directors and adult team members
- † I will make all Cross Team events a priority

Team members are expected to participate in team meetings and both retreats.

The CROSS Team meets at least three times before each retreat. Some members of the Team will gather in Birmingham, others may join electronically. In other words, you can participate in the meetings even if you have no way to get to Birmingham.

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The application process concludes with the Discernment Retreat. Shortly after that, invitations to join the team will be issued to those who have been selected.

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Mail to: Office for Youth
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(This form is for youth applicants – interested adults should contact the Youth Office for an application)

Cell or Other Phone () _____ T-shirt Size _____

Name: _____

E-mail: _____ (print very carefully)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parish: _____

Grade (as of September 2021): _____ Date of Birth: _____ Male Female

Parent/Guardian: _____

Best way to reach your parent/guardian: () _____ () _____

Are you a Baptized Catholic? Yes No

How often do you go to Mass? _____

What skills and/or talents would you bring to the CROSS Team? (check all that are appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Music (vocal) | <input type="checkbox"/> I am good at PowerPoint or other presentation systems | <input type="checkbox"/> I would like to try my hand at being a CROSS Co-Director |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Music (instrumental) | <input type="checkbox"/> I am good at leadership | <input type="checkbox"/> I am eager to learn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Speaking | <input type="checkbox"/> I am a good listener | <input type="checkbox"/> I like to teach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computer skills | <input type="checkbox"/> I like to help others with their problems | <input type="checkbox"/> I like to write |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I know how to set-up and run a sound system | | |

Skills or Talents not listed above: _____

Yes No I can dedicate the entire weekend of August 6-8 to attendance at the Team (Discernment) Retreat at Camp Tekakwitha

Complete both pages of this form and don't forget to sign

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1. What would you hope to gain from service (or continued service) on the Team?

3. Anything else we should know about you?

Parent/Guardian Statement: I give permission for my son or daughter to apply for membership on the CROSS Team. I understand his/her attendance at the Discernment Retreat (August 6-8) is expected. I also understand there is a \$30 fee to attend the Discernment Retreat. Confidential scholarships are available so don't let money keep you away!

SIGN HERE → Parent/Guardian _____ Applicant _____

Do not send a check with this application – we will ask for the retreat fee in July.