

MICHIGAN DISTRICT JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GATHERING

LOCATION

The Michigan District Junior High Youth Gathering 2010 will be held on the beautiful campus of Concordia University in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

FAMILY GROUPS

Each church will register their participants, youth and adults, together as a "family group". **The church must register both a male and female adult leader if there will be both male and female youth participants. It is recommended that there be one adult leader for every six youth.**

PARTICIPANTS

The Michigan District Junior High Youth Gathering 2010 is for youth (entering grades 7, 8, or 9 in the Fall of 2010) and adults (minimum 21 years of age) who are affiliated with an LCMS congregation. Registrations received after the gathering is full will be placed on a waiting list pending cancellations.

HOUSING

All participants will be housed on campus in one of several campus dormitories. Male and female participants will be housed in separate dormitories. Each dorm has eight suites consisting of two bedrooms, each with two beds, and an adjoining bathroom with shower. Youth will be housed together with their adult leaders, and the adult leaders will remain with them for the entire weekend.

REGISTRATION PROCESS

Please refer to the ***Step-by-Step Registration Process*** to assist you with your congregation's registration. It is very important that you follow the instructions. **Your registration will not be fully processed until paperwork and information for your entire group is complete.**

COST

A reduced registration fee is offered for those who register by May 28th.
Registration fees are as follows:

\$115 per person postmarked by May 28th

LATE REGISTRATION: \$135 per person postmarked after May 28th

The registration fee includes two nights lodging, four meals, t-shirt, and programming and activity expenses. A **non-refundable** deposit of \$50 per person is required with each congregation's registration. The remaining balance is due June 15, 2010 or your spot will be released to a congregation on the waiting list. **No refunds of any kind will be made after June 15, 2010. This policy is without exception.** For more information, see the enclosed **Step-by-Step Registration Process**.

STEP-BY-STEP REGISTRATION PROCESS

1. Print off all forms for your church. You will need one copy of the **Congregation Registration, Housing Request, and Servant Event Registration Forms**, and enough copies of the **Participant Registration Form** for each person (adult and youth) attending the gathering.
2. The **Adult Leader Guidelines** must be shared with each adult participant prior to them completing the registration process. Make sure each adult has a copy of the guidelines.
3. Once registration forms have been collected from each participant, complete the **Congregation Registration, Housing Request, and Servant Event Registration Forms** in their entirety.
4. Mail all forms and payment for the advance deposit or total balance to:

Michigan District
Junior High Youth Gathering
3773 Geddes Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48105

All fees are to be submitted on one church check made payable to *Michigan District-LCMS*. As per Michigan regulation, **all fees must be paid with a check from your congregation or your group will be assessed additional sales tax**. Registrations will not be processed without all completed forms and payment.

5. An email confirmation will be sent after receipt of your registration materials and additional confirmation materials will be sent to you prior to the gathering.

Note: It is suggested that you have a signed medical permission form for each youth attending the gathering, and that you carry a copy of it with you throughout the duration of the gathering. If your church already has a process in place for collecting medical permissions from parents/guardians, you may disregard the **Youth Permission and Medical Emergency Form** in the packet. ***It is no longer necessary to submit medical permission forms to the District for each youth participant.***

Things to keep in mind:

- Co-ed leadership must be provided if your group consists of co-ed youth.
- Males and females will be housed in different dorms.
- Youth/Adult ratio is 6 to 1.

Number of Youth	Number of Adults
1-12	2
13-18	3
19-24	4
25-30	5
etc.	etc.