

Severna Park United Methodist Church (SPUMC)

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SAFE SANCTUARIES QUESTIONNAIRE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2021 – AUGUST 31, 2022

COVID-19 ADDENDUM: Any virtual meetings held with youth in attendance require the Host Leader to secure a second adult, either another ministry/organization leader or a parent/guardian, to monitor the meeting. The Host Ministry/Organization Leader would maintain a record of who monitored the meeting and submit that information to the Children's Ministry, Youth Pastor or Organization Leader. If a second adult is not available to monitor the meeting, the meeting will be recorded, and the copy of the recording submitted to above leader.

Student Applicant Consent (if applicant is 17 years old or younger): As a parent/guardian of _____, I give my permission for my child to serve in Children's Ministry at SPUMC. I agree to accept full responsibility for my child's actions & behavior while he/she is serving in Children's Ministry at SPUMC.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____ Printed Name: _____

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____ Printed Name: _____

Adult Information

1. Have you ever filled out a questionnaire for this church? Yes No If yes, give the date: _____
2. Have you ever been accused, in a written & signed statement, of sexual misconduct with a child/youth? Yes No
If yes, explain: _____
3. Have you ever been accused, in a written & signed statement, of sexual misconduct with an adult? Yes No
If yes explain: _____
4. Have you ever been dismissed from any position, volunteer or salaried, because of accusations of sexual misconduct on your part? Yes No If yes, explain _____
5. Have you ever resigned from any position, volunteer or salaried, because of an accusation of sexual misconduct on your part, or to avoid being dismissed because of an accusation of sexual misconduct on your part?
Yes No If yes explain: _____
6. A. Have accusations of sexual misconduct on your part (as the instigator, NOT the victim) ever resulted in civil or criminal court proceedings at any level (e.g., indictment, arrest, trial, etc.)? Yes No N/A
If yes, please explain: _____
B. Have accusations of sexual misconduct against you resulted in civil or criminal court proceedings on more than one occasion? Yes No N/A If yes, please explain: _____
7. In addition, is there any fact or circumstance involving you or your background that would call into question your being entrusted with the supervision, guidance, and care of young people? Yes No
If yes, explain: _____

PARTICIPATION COVENANT STATEMENT

SPUMC is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for all children, youth, volunteers and staff who participate in ministries and activities sponsored by the church. Our Safe Sanctuaries *Child Abuse and Prevention Policy and Procedures* reflect our commitment to ensure that our church is a safe and holy place in which all people can experience the love of God through relationships with others. *No adult who has been convicted of any form of child abuse should volunteer to work with children or youth in any church-sponsored activity.* By signing this Participation Covenant, I agree to observe and abide by SPUMC's Safe Sanctuaries *Child Abuse Prevention Policy and Procedures* and acknowledge their availability on SPUMC's website (www.severnaparkumc.org)

I verify the answers I have provided on this Questionnaire are true and accurate to the best of my ability. I understand that false answers, as well as failure to sign this Response Form, will result in my being denied the position for which I am being considered.

Adult Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please print your name: _____ Email: _____