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## SAINT JOSEPH ABBEY and SEMINARY COLLEGE

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# Come and See....

Saint Joseph's Seminary College

## **Vocations Weekend Retreats**

Thought about the priesthood lately?

Been on your mind a lot?

Come and see what God has to say about it.

This weekend is about how to discern God's call for your life.

No cost to you. Meals provided, beds provided

(bring bed linens, pillow, towels and personal items), prayer provided.

All Men 16 years and older

**November 8 – 10, 2019**

**April 3 – 5, 2020**

### **Contact:**

Your friendly local Diocesan Vocations Director

**Reserve your spot today.**

**AGREEMENT FOR THE “COME AND SEE” WEEKEND  
SAINT JOSEPH ABBEY + SEMINARY COLLEGE**

75376 River Road, St. Benedict, Louisiana, 70457

**I. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

Saint Joseph Abbey and Seminary College (“SJASC”) agrees to allow \_\_\_\_\_ (the “student”) to attend the “Come and See” event and to participate in the event activities as stated in this agreement, subject to the rules and regulations stated in this document.

Current School: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

SJASC shall not be liable for any injury to person(s) or damage to property sustained on the premises of SJASC by the undersigned student, the student’s organization or by performers/participants and patrons of SJASC event(s).

**II. USE OF FACILITIES & GROUNDS**

- No animals or pets are allowed on the premises except for those assisting the legally handicapped.
- No signs, posters or decorations may be used or placed on the SJASC grounds without proper consent from the SJASC.
- Alcohol may not be brought onto SJASC premises at any time by any member of the group.
- Smoking is prohibited in all buildings of SJASC. There is a designated outdoor smoking area on the campus. Smoking should be confined to this area only. Smoking is prohibited for students under the age of 18 as mandated by the laws of the state of Louisiana.
- The student of the facilities agrees to leave all used facilities and equipment in a clean, orderly condition after use.
- The grounds must be left free of litter. Any activities that may break or damage trees, shrubs or flowers should be avoided.
- All equipment should be inspected by the student before use. Any problems should immediately be reported to the attention of SJASC. Equipment should not be used until it is repaired and SJASC considers it safe to use.
- All damage to SJASC’s property must be reported immediately. All rooms, facilities, and/or landscaping/grounds will be inspected prior to departure and the student will be responsible for replacing or repairing damaged property.

**III. PARKING**

All participant vehicles should be parked in the SJASC lot located adjacent to Calais Hall. **NO VEHICLES SHOULD BE PARKED NEAR THE MONASTERY.**

**IV. PARENTAL CONSENT**

A parental consent form must be completed and returned with this form prior to the visit/event. Please see attached consent form. Those 18 and over **DO NOT** need parental consent.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian Signature (18 and Under)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please print Name, Address, City/State/Zip:

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

SAINT JOSPEH ABBEY & SEMINARY COLLEGE  
MEDICAL INFORMATION AND CONSENT FORM

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**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS:**

1. Please take care in filling out this form. It provides crucial information for caregivers in the event of illness or medical emergency. Accuracy and thoroughness are encouraged.
  2. Sections I, II and V are mandatory. Sections III and IV provide you with treatment options in non-emergency situations.
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Participant's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's name \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City/State) (Zip)

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cellular phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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**SECTION I. MEDICAL MATTERS**

As the parent/legal guardian of the above named child , I hereby authorize Saint Joseph Abbey & Seminary College or representatives associated with the activity, to carry out the wishes I have named (herein) in areas of emergency medical treatment and other cases of illness. This authorization inclusively extends from \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ through \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_. I hereby warrant that, to the best of my knowledge, my child is in good health, and I assume all responsibility for the health of my child.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION II. EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT**

In the event of an emergency, I hereby give permission to transport my child to a hospital for emergency medical or surgical treatment. I wish to be advised prior to any further treatment by the hospital or doctor. In the event of an emergency, if you are unable to reach me at the numbers listed herein, contact:

Name & relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Family doctor: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Health Plan Carrier: \_\_\_\_\_ Policy #: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### SECTION III: OTHER MEDICAL TREATMENT

In the event it comes to the attention of Saint Joseph Abbey & Seminary College or representatives associated with the activity that my child becomes ill with symptoms such as headache, vomiting, sore throat, fever, diarrhea, I want to be called collect (with phone charges reversed to myself).

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date:

### SECTION IV: MEDICATIONS

*(SIGN ONLY THOSE OPTIONS THAT ARE APPLICABLE)*

- My child is taking medication at present. My child will bring all such medications necessary, and such medications will be well-labeled. Names of medications and concise directions for seeing that the child takes such medications, including dosage and frequency of dosage, are as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:

- I hereby grant permission for non-prescription medication (such as aspirin, throat lozenges, cough syrup) to be given to my child, if deemed appropriate.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:

- NO medication of any type, whether prescription or non-prescription, may be administered to my child unless the situation is life-threatening and emergency treatment is required.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date:

### SECTION V: MEDICAL INFORMATION

Saint Joseph Abbey & Seminary College will take reasonable care to see that the following information will be held in confidence.

Allergic reactions (medications, foods, plants, insects, etc.):

Immunizations: Date of last tetanus/diphtheria immunization:

Does child have a medically prescribed diet? \_\_\_\_\_

Any physical limitations? \_\_\_\_\_

Is child subject to chronic homesickness, emotional reactions to new situations, sleepwalking, bed-wetting, fainting? \_\_\_\_\_

Has child recently been exposed to contagious disease or conditions, such as mumps, measles, chickenpox, etc? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, date and disease or condition: \_\_\_\_\_

You should be aware of these special medical conditions of my child:



## Saint Joseph Seminary College Come-and-See

### Recommended Packing List:

#### Clothing

- Tee-shirts (x2)
- Collared shirts (x2)
- Jacket / Pullover (x1)
- Undershirts (x2)
- Slacks (x1)
- Jeans (x1)
- Casual Shorts (x1)
- Athletic Shorts (x2)
- Underwear (x3)
- Socks (x4)
- Shoes – (1) Athletic / (1) Dress
- Optional – Sandals/Crocs (for showering)

#### Toiletries

- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo
- Towel (x1)
- Washcloths (x2)

#### Bed Linens

- Pillow (x1)
- Sheet set (size – twin) (x1)
- Sleeping bag

#### Miscellaneous:

- Bible
- Rosary
- Any other spiritual reading
- Journal / Notebook
- Pen

## WORDS AND LOCAL TERMS YOU MAY ENCOUNTER DURING YOUR VISIT:

**Abbey** - Monastery where the monks reside. Saint Joseph Abbey traces its origin to 1890.

**Abbey Voice** - Quarterly publication for the College and the Abbey.

**Abbey Youth Festival - AYF**—Annual Catholic festival for youth held on campus which draws thousands of participants from seven states.

**Abbot**— Religious superior of the Abbey.

**Abbot Paul Conference Room**— Located on the first floor of Borromeo Hall and named after the first Abbot of Saint Joseph Abbey.

**Apostolic Services**— Community outreach, now Pastoral ministry as part of the Pastoral Formation Pillar, one of the 4 Pillars of the Formation Program.

**Archdiocese** - A diocese under jurisdiction of an archbishop. Saint Joseph Seminary College is under the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

**Bells**— Church bells of the Abbey Church. The bells call the monks to Mass and prayers.

**Benet Hall** - 600-seat auditorium with modern stage and equipment used for various Seminary activities and off-campus productions.

**Bogue Falaya** - Local American Indian name for one of Covington's three scenic waterways. The Bogue Falaya River bisects the main entrance to the college and must be crossed to gain access to the campus.

**Bonfire Day**—Annual event between SJSC and Notre Dame Seminarians held at SJSC; Eucharist celebration, sports and socializing, culminating with a team built bonfire.

**Borromeo Hall** - Building with classrooms, seminar and meeting rooms. Second floor contains private resident student housing.

**Camp Abbey**—A youth retreat center run by the Archdiocese of New Orleans, located on the North end of the monastery's 1500 acres.

**Causeway** - Considered the world's longest bridge, the Lake Pontchartrain Causeway consists of two 24-mile parallel bridges that cross Lake Pontchartrain.

**CBO** - Central Business Office

**Christ Court and Chapel** - Courtyard in the center of Pius X Hall containing the academic office wing, St. Joseph fountain, and an Architectural award-winning meditation chapel.

**Christian Life Center (CLC)** - A full service conference and retreat facility located on the Abbey grounds used for campus programs and outside groups.

**Diocese** - The district or territory under the jurisdiction of a bishop.

**ESL** - English as a Second Language

**Family Rooms** – Common gathering centers in the student residence halls, used for students' and visitors' relaxation and recreational periods. Rooms are furnished with comfortable seating and light refreshments.

**Formation Workshop** - Biennial event which involves a series of presentations on topics related to Human, Spiritual, Intellectual and Pastoral Formation. Usually held near mid-semester in both Fall and the Spring.

**Guest Refectory** - Dining room adjacent to the refectory and the kitchen.

**Information Commons** - Campus Technology Center in library.

**Lagniappe** - Local term that means "A Little Something Extra."

**Language Lab** - Located in classroom building. Equipped with computers to help improve oral English and work with accent reduction.

**Lauds** - Monastic term for morning prayers. Held in the Abbey Church 6:15AM daily and open to the public.

**Morning Prayer** - Part of the *Liturgy of the Hours* consisting of a hymn, Psalms, Canticles, Scripture reading, intercessory prayer and the Lord's Prayer.

**Novice** - A person in the initial year of preparation to become a professed monk.

**Oblate** - Lay person who has become formally affiliated with the Abbey and lives out Benedictine values in his/her life.

**O.S.B.** - Order of Saint Benedict.

**Oratory** - Pius X room where seminarians gather for Morning Prayer and some student body Masses.

**Parish** - Territory connected to a local church placed under the guidance and jurisdiction of a pastor. Each diocese is divided into parishes. Louisiana's civil government uses the term parish in place of county which is indicative of the state's Catholic heritage.

**Pennies for Bread** - Monks and volunteers bake bread for the poor and needy in the Greater New Orleans area and at the same time provide the Abbey with a source of income.

**Pius X Hall** - Main building of the seminary with Central Business Office, administrative and faculty offices. Pius X Hall also contains private dormitory rooms for seminarians, student campus mail center, conference rooms, a tutorial center, and prayer room.

**Prior** - Chief assistant to the Abbot.

**QEP**—Quality Enhancement Program, a program designed to help improve students' ability to write effectively in Philosophy.

**Raven** - St. Ben's mascot.

**Rector** - Designates authority and responsibility as spiritual head of the seminary community.

**Rector's Conference** - A weekly series of presentations and events given by the President-Rector.

**Refectory** - Main dining room on campus.

**Rouquette Library** - Campus library that houses a collection of over 60,000 volumes, an Audio Room, Video Room, and main campus Technology Center.

**Rule of Benedict**—Sixth century document on which Benedictine spirituality is based.

**Saint Benedict, LA** - Postal address for Saint Joseph Abbey and Seminary College. The campus has its own ZIP code (70457) and full service post office.

**St. Ben's** - A fond reference to Saint Joseph Seminary College, located in Saint Benedict, LA.

**Schola** - Saint Joseph Seminary College selected choir for the performance of sacred music in liturgies.

**Seminary** - In the Roman Catholic tradition, a school where priests are educated and trained.

**SGA - Student** Government Association of Saint Joseph Seminary College.

**TET** - Vietnamese Lunar New Year celebration.

**The Wharf** - Seminarians' recreational lounge and casual grill area adjacent to the Refectory.

**Vespers** - Monastic term for Evening Prayer. Held in the Abbey Church 5:30PM daily. Open to the public.

**Vianney Hall** – Former dormitory building currently under renovation.

**Vocation Director** - Appointed by bishop in a diocese; responsible for coordinating and training of priestly vocations.

**Walker Percy** - Of special interest in the Abbey cemetery is the grave of National Book Award winner, Walker Percy, novelist and long-time Covington resident, who was a friend of the Abbey and Seminary College and an Oblate of St. Benedict. Dr. Percy taught a semester on modern fiction in the Seminary College in 1983, and gave the commencement address that year. A special section of Rouquette Library is dedicated to him with original memoirs.

COME AND SEE

Clarification for parental consent (follow academic office)

Those 18 and over **do not** need parental consent.

**17 and under do need parental consent.**



**SAINT JOSEPH ABBEY + SEMINARY COLLEGE  
PARENTAL CONSENT FORM**

I/we the undersigned request that my/our child be permitted to participate in the activity named below.

**SCHOOL NAME AND ADDRESS:** Saint Joseph Abbey + Seminary College – Come and See Weekend  
75376 River Road, St. Benedict, LA 70457

**STUDENT'S NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **GRADE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MODE OF TRANSPORT:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE OF VISIT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ARRIVAL TIME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DEPARTURE TIME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL RELEASE**

I understand that every effort will be made to contact me in the event of any accident or injury to my child, but in the event that I cannot be reached, I hereby authorize the school representative to consent to whatever medical or surgical treatment may be considered necessary or advisable by the physician or nurse in attendance and treating such injuries.

It is understood that this authorization is given in advance of any specific diagnosis, treatment or hospital care being required, but is given to provide authority and power on the part of my agent to give specific consent for any and all such diagnosis, treatment or hospital care which the aforementioned physician or nurse in the exercise of his/her best judgment may deem advisable. This authorization is given pursuant to the applicable provisions of the laws of the state of Louisiana and the Archdiocese of New Orleans.

**RELEASE OF CLAIMS AGAINST SAINT JOSEPH ABBEY + SEMINARY COLLEGE AND ITS REPRESENTATIVES AND THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW ORLEANS, LA.**

As Parent/Guardian, I have voluntarily applied, on behalf of my child, to participate in the above-identified event and visit. I understand that there are risks in my child's/ward's presence and participation in this school-sponsored program, and to participate in this activity may require transportation to a location away from the seminary campus. I HEREBY AGREE ON BEHALF OF MY CHILD TO ASSUME ANY AND ALL RISK OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE, ARISING OUT OF, OR CAUSED BY MY CHILD'S/WARD'S PRESENCE AND PARTICIPATION IN THIS VISIT/EVENT. I HEREBY RELEASE THE ABBEY + SEMINARY COLLEGE, ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW ORLEANS, LA, AND ANY OF ITS AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES, FROM ALL ACTIONS OR CLAIMS THAT MY CHILD, MY CHILD'S HEIRS AND/OR LEGAL REPRESENTATIVES NOW HAVE OR MAY HEREAFTER HAVE FOR BODILY INJURY, DEATH, AND PROPERTY DAMAGE RESULTING FROM MY CHILD'S PARTICIPATION IN THIS VISIT/EVENT.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN MYSELF ON BEHALF OF MY CHILD, AND THE ABBEY + SEMINARY COLLEGE AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

**BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS**

I agree that the supervising personnel have the right at their discretion to enforce the established rules of conduct, and I agree to direct my child to cooperate and conform with directions of the supervising personnel.

**SIGNATURES**

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please print name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_