

*St. Jude's Episcopal Church*

**2.3 Code of Conduct: Communication, including Electronic Communication, 2017-18**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, promise that I will follow these practices in my communication at St. Jude's Episcopal Church, including electronic communications if applicable (such as e-mails, texts, instant messages, and posts on social networking sites):

**Communication**

1. I will communicate (verbally and non-verbally) with others in a courteous and respectful manner, and will not act or make comments that other people could think are offensive.
2. I will not harm others, including avoiding actions that are harsh, coercive, threatening, intimidating, shaming, derogatory, demeaning or humiliating.
3. I will respect and follow the instructions of children and youth leaders.
4. If I observe an incident of inappropriate use of electronic or other communications, I will report it to St. Jude's staff and/or youth leaders.

Electronic Communications, if applicable (\_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian initial if this section is NA)

- 5.a If my parent/guardian consents, I will always copy my parent/guardian when sending electronic messages of an informational nature to St. Jude's staff or youth volunteers. This includes e-mails, texts, instant messages or other social media communication. If my parent/guardian does not consent, then I will not send electronic messages of an informational nature to St. Jude's staff or youth volunteers.
- 5.b If my parent/guardian consents, I will always copy my parent, guardian, and/or clergy in charge when sending electronic messages of a pastoral care nature to St. Jude's staff or youth volunteers. This includes e-mails, texts, instant messages or other social media communication. If my parent/guardian does not consent, then I will not send electronic messages of a pastoral care nature to St. Jude's staff or youth volunteers.
6. I will avoid cyberbullying and will not post inappropriate pictures or make comments on pictures/posts that are hurtful to others.
7. I will not use my cell phone during children or youth programming unless given specific, time-limited permission to do so by my parent(s) on my Registration Form or by youth leaders.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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*(Signature of Child/ Youth, or NA if a pre-reader who cannot sign for themselves)*

**Parents/Guardians, regardless of the age of your child/youth,**

1. I have read the above-stated practices for safe, courteous electronic and other communications at St. Jude's, and I will instruct and support my child/youth in implementing these practices.
2. I have also read the CONSENT FORM: MEDIA AND ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS and shared my specific permissions therein.

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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*(Signature of Parent or Guardian)*