

**DIOCESE OF BAKER**  
**OFFICE OF YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Baker Youth Representatives**  
**Student Application Form**

*1Timothy 4:12*

*“Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity.”*

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Thank you for your interest in Baker Youth Representatives (BYR). This membership requires strong leadership and dedication. You will be working with a team of youth leaders and we will look to you to represent the voice of your parish, deanery, and the Diocese of Baker. Throughout the term of service, BYR has several meetings and required events.

The following requirements must be met to be considered for membership in BYR:

1. You must be entering grades 10-12 in the fall.
  2. Complete application and required essays.
  3. Include 3 completed letters of recommendation (see forms):
    - a. Pastor
    - b. Youth Minister
    - c. Another adult other than a parent
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in fall: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish and Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone of Parent or Guardian: (w) \_\_\_\_\_ (h) \_\_\_\_\_

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Recommendations are from (write names below):

Pastor: \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Minister: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Adult: \_\_\_\_\_

## ESSAY

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**Please answer the following questions, typed, on a separate sheet(s) of paper.**

1.
  - a. Why do you want to be a member of BYR?
  - b. What skills do you possess that will enable you to be an effective BYR member?
  - c. Describe how you have previously demonstrated these skills?
2. What does making a commitment to be part of BYR mean to you?
3.
  - a. Explain your involvement in the Catholic Church. List all activities you are involved in (example: Reader, Cantor, Youth Group, etc.)
  - b. What are the other involvements do you have outside the Church?
4. What goals would you hope to achieve as a BYR member?
5.
  - a. What are some strengths you will bring to BYR?
  - b. What are some weaknesses that you may bring to BYR?
6. What Parish, Diocesan, State, Regional and National Youth Ministry events have you participated in (if any)?
7. Generally speaking, how do you act in a group? (i.e. shy, loud, organizer, leader, sensitive to others, etc.)
8. Are you comfortable leading small group discussion?
9. What is your GPA in school?
10. Describe your relationship with God and your faith life.

**IMPORTANT:** Are you able to attend the initial week-long orientation, virtue building, and foundation-forming event entitled "Diocesan Tour" from August 27-31, 2007?

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_\_ No

<u>Sunday</u> August 26	<u>Monday</u> <b>Diocesan</b> August 27	<u>Tuesday</u> <b>Tour</b> August 28	<u>Wednesday</u> August 29	<u>Thursday</u> August 30	<u>Friday</u> August 31	<u>Saturday</u> Sept. 1
Sept. 2	<b>Labor</b> <b>Day</b> Sept. 3	<b>School</b> <b>begins!</b> Sept. 4	Sept. 5	Sept. 6	Sept. 7	Sept. 8

**Mark YES or NO for each of the following questions. Explain any non-yes answers in the space provided below. If more space is needed, attach another page.**

	Yes	No
Will you make it a priority to attend all meetings and events?	Y	N
Have you spoken with your parents about serving on BYR?	Y	N
Do you have the support of your parents for serving on BYR?	Y	N
Do you have a means of transportation to BYR meetings?	Y	N
Are you able to stay in communication through notices, letters, and <b>most especially, email</b> ?	Y	N
Are you able to act as a role model and refrain from participating in unnecessary gossip or activities that would harm yourself or others?	Y	N

Explanation of any No's:

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I have answered all of these questions truthfully, and I am aware of the commitment to BYR.

Student signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

This application is due to the Diocese of Baker Office of Youth Ministry, complete with recommendations, **no later than June 1, 2007.**

Applicants will receive notification by mid-June.

Please include the essay and recommendation forms with this application, and submit to:

**Diocese of Baker  
Office of Youth Ministry  
PO Box 5999  
Bend, OR 97708**