

## SPONSOR COMMITMENT FORM

*A Sponsor must be a practicing, fully initiated Catholic (Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation). He/she may not be the candidate's mother or father. A godparent is a good choice. The candidate is encouraged to choose someone close by. The sponsor should be a person who is prayerful, open, dependable, loving and is comfortable sharing his or her faith with young people.*

**ROLE**  
The sponsor represents the support and prayers of the entire Church. He/she will be the candidate's "spiritual friend." In this program, the following is asked of the sponsor:

- Accompany the candidate to the sponsor and candidate session, which is specifically designed for sponsor/candidate interaction.
- Sponsors are encouraged to attend the reception welcoming the candidates back from their weekend retreats.
- Sponsors need to attend the Confirmation rehearsal.
- Attend the Liturgy of Confirmation.
- To meet with the candidate monthly throughout this year of preparation and to discuss topics discussed at sessions;
- Share their faith story with his or her candidate.
- Spend time getting to know the candidate, possibly taking him or her out to lunch or dinner, or having him or her over to your home.
- Pray for and with the candidate.
- Present the candidate during the Confirmation Rite.
- Continue to be there for the candidate and lend spiritual support after the Confirmation ceremony is over. (Suggestion: Send a card or note every year on the anniversary of his /her confirmation.)

**SPONSOR KEEPS TOP PORTION ~ BOTTOM RETURNED TO FAITH FORMATION OFFICE**

Confirmation Candidate's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's relationship to candidate \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Address \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor's Church \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Pastor at Sponsor's Church \_\_\_\_\_

Year and place of Sponsor's Confirmation \_\_\_\_\_

### **SPONSOR'S AGREEMENT**

*I agree to serve as a sponsor for this confirmation candidate. I understand my role as described on the Sponsor Information Sheet, which I have received from the candidate and read. I agree to attend the required session with my candidate, unless not possible due to distance or work schedule-in which case a family member proxy will stand in my place. I agree to cultivate a relationship with my candidate during this year of preparation for his/her confirmation and to serve as a spiritual support during this important time in his/her life, as well as in the years to come.*

- **Sponsors need to be present at the Sponsor/Candidate Retreat**
- **Sponsors need to attend the Confirmation Rehearsal**
- **Sponsors must be present at the Confirmation Ceremony**
- **Sponsors need to meet, at a minimum, monthly with their candidate.**

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Signature of Sponsor

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Date