

# Confirmation Small Group Leader

## DESCRIPTION OF MINISTRY:

The Confirmation small group leader guides a group of high school youth in their faith development in preparation for Confirmation. Groups are single-gender and are composed of 8-10 youth who journey together for two years. Using resources provided, the leader facilitates learning, discussion, and reflection on candidates' faith journeys, the Gospels, the Creed, morality, and sacramental preparation. There is a specific curriculum with a user friendly leader guide for leaders, as well as support from the Confirmation Coordinator.

## COMMITMENT:

**Training/Inservice:** 3 – 1.5 to 2 hour meetings: Fall, Advent and Lent

**Small Group Meetings:** Small groups meet either Wednesdays or Sundays, and they set their own schedules.

- Year 1: approximately 2 meeting per month, October-April (13 total)
- Year 2: approximately 1 meeting per month, October-May (9 total)

**Time of service:** We ask for a two year (two school years) commitment at a time. Once you try it, you will see how good it is to share our faith with the young people and how much you learn and grow in your faith as well!

## REQUIREMENTS FOR THIS MINISTRY:

- A love of young people and an understanding and belief that each person is made in the image and likeness of God.
- Have an enthusiastic presence and willingness to share your faith.
- Believe deeply in Jesus and the Catholic tradition, and want to share that belief with others.
- Be a Confirmed Catholic.
- Regularly participate in parish worship and be faithful to the Catholic Church.
- Committed to continual personal growth and enrichment.
- Ability to maintain order and to create a welcoming atmosphere conducive to learning and sharing.
- Have strong communication skills with high school youth.

All volunteers are required to have completed a background check with Saint Ambrose, attended a VIRTUS training (a one time commitment) and signed a Code of Conduct. This is in compliance with the Archdiocesan parish requirements as part of the Council of Catholic Bishops Charter "Protecting God's Children and Young People".

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