The ArchNY Youth Team is a team of youth in grades 9-12 from the various counties of the Archdiocese of New York, which comes together for ongoing faith and leadership formation as well as collaboration with the Office of Youth Ministry to meet the needs of and to empower young people in the Archdiocese of New York by:

- assisting in interpreting the needs of youth and advocating for their concerns to the members of Archdiocesan leadership;
- representing the youth of the archdiocese as servant leaders in various capacities;
- drawing young people to responsible participation in the life, mission, and works in the faithful community of the People of God;
- developing and forming the members of the team in leadership skills which will equip them to be servant leaders in their home parish ministries;
- raising up Catholic leaders in the archdiocese through the team’s involvement in the development of programs for youth; and
- empowering its members to encourage the spiritual and personal growth of their peers by facilitating active participation of youth in archdiocesan events.

(Adapted from the USCCB Document Renewing the Vision: A Framework for Catholic Youth Ministry, 1997)

**Application Requirements and Procedures**

1. ArchNY Youth Team application and recommendations from the pastor and youth minister/adult youth leader are due by December 20, 2019. No candidate can be discerned without all the required recommendations.
2. All candidates must have the parental consent form signed and included with their application.
3. All candidates must be actively involved in youth activities in their parish or school.
4. Attendance at the Leadership Training Retreat, ArchNY Youth Team meetings, as well as being committed to planning, implementing and attending youth events at the deanery and diocesan level is required.
5. Candidates MUST be present at New York Catholic Youth Day the year they are serving.
Application Checklist

☐ Read through complete application
☐ Pray & discern if this is what God is calling you to do now
☐ Read through and sign ArchNY Youth Team Covenant
☐ Fill out complete application
☐ Write letter of intent (250-500 words)
☐ Obtain 2 recommendations
  o Pastor
  o Parish Youth Minister/Adult Leader/School Campus Minister
☐ Obtain parental consent to join
☐ Return application, letter of intent, recommendations and parental consent in one envelope and submit to the following address no later than December 20, 2019
to: Daniel Genn
  Office of Youth Ministry
  1011 First Ave, 12th floor
  New York, NY 10022

☐ Look for an email by the middle of May!

Important ArchNY Youth Team Dates for 2019-2020

• October 19, 2019: NYCYD
• January 11, 2020: Youth Team Retreat
• April 18, 2020: Level UP Youth Festival

Printed Name: ____________________________________________________
Signature: ___________________________ Date: ______________________
Application For ArchNY Youth Team

NAME______________________________________________________________

ADDRESS_________________________________________________________________________

CITY _________________________________________ ZIP __________________________

PHONE ___________________________ EMAIL _______________________________________

PARENT/GUARDIAN’S NAME _____________________________________________________________________________

GRADE IN 2019 – 2020 SCHOOL YEAR ____________________ CURRENT G.P.A. ______________

PLEASE LIST ANY PARISH OR OTHER LEADERSHIP POSITIONS HELD: __________________________

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PLEASE LIST ACTIVITIES IN WHICH YOU ARE CURRENTLY INVOLVED: __________________________

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Candidate, you must write a letter of intent (between 250-500 words) stating your qualifications, your reasons why you would like to serve on the ArchNY Youth Team and your understanding of the expectations. In addition, please include a recommendation from your pastor, parent/guardian, and parish youth minister/adult leader. These need to be in sealed envelopes and returned in one envelope with this application.

I have read through the application in complete and understand the role and expectations of the ArchNY Youth Team and I wish to be considered to serve as a Team member representing my parish. I will take my commitment seriously and I fully understand the responsibilities of this position.

APPLICANT’S SIGNATURE _______________________________________________________________________

Please return this application, letter of intent and recommendations in one envelope and submit to the following address no later than December 20, 2019: Office of Youth Ministry, Daniel Genn, 1011 First Ave, 12th floor, New York, NY 10022. If you have any questions, contact Daniel.Genn@archny.org
ArchNY Youth Team Agreement

Being an ArchNY Youth Team member who holds a leadership position within the Archdiocese of New York is an exciting opportunity! However, it is important that you understand your responsibilities and commitment. Please read the following elements to the ArchNY Youth Team Agreement and then sign below. These signatures indicate your full intent to abide by the ArchNY Youth Team guidelines.

As an ArchNY Youth Team member, I understand that I will be expected to:

- Be a person of faith whose life gives witness to Gospel values in word, action, conduct, character, and attitude
- Be an active participant in my parish
- Be an active participant in my parish youth ministry or school campus ministry
- Make a commitment to attend the team’s meetings, and give notification if I am unable to attend
- Be open to the process of leadership skill development and training
- Complete various tasks associated with event planning, especially promoting events

Are you willing and able to establish this contract as a priority so as to make the commitment of time and self necessary to maintain your position with the AYT?

_________________________________________  _______________________
Student Signature                                      Date
Youth Minister/Adult Leader
Recommendation For ArchNY Youth Team

Name of Candidate ________________________________________________________________

Parish __________________________________________________________________________

Your Name ___________________________ Daytime Phone ____________________________

Address __________________________________________________________________________

What leadership qualities does the candidate possess to enable him/her to fulfill the duties of a representative on the ArchNY Youth Team?

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What support can you give the candidate if he/she is chosen? ____________________________

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Is this candidate an active participant in your parish youth ministry program? __________

I support _____________________’s candidacy as an ArchNY Youth Team member. I understand and accept my responsibilities in working with and supporting him/her at the parish level. I believe he/she has leadership potential and can be a role model for youth of the Archdiocese of NY.

_____ I do not support this candidate as an ArchNY Youth Team member.

Signature ___________________________________________ Date ________________________

Please place this in a sealed envelope and return to the candidate. The candidate must have his/her application, letter of intent and recommendations into the Archdiocese no later than December 20, 2019.
Pastor Recommendation
For ArchNY Youth Team

Name Of Candidate ____________________________________________

Parish _______________________________________________________

Your Name ________________________________________________ Daytime Phone ________________

I support _____________________‘s candidacy as an ArchNY Youth Team representative from our parish. I believe he/she has leadership potential and can be a role model for youth of our Diocese. Our parish will support and guide this candidate in their endeavors.

____ I do not support this candidate as an ArchNY Youth Team representative.

Please state the reason why you believe this applicant is a good candidate to represent your parish on the ArchNY Youth Team.

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Signature ________________________________________________ Date __________________________

Please place this in a sealed envelope and return to the candidate. The candidate must have his/her application, letter of intent and recommendations into the archdiocese no later than December 20, 2019.
Parent/Guardian
Permission to Participate on ArchNY Youth Team

Name Of Candidate _______________________________________________________

Parish __________________________________________________________________

Your Name ______________________________________ Daytime Phone ______________

Address (If Different From Candidate) _______________________________________

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As an ArchNY Youth Team representative, your child will be asked to plan, attend and/or assist with the following:
• New York Catholic Youth Day
• youth council meetings/mini-retreats

Do you feel that planning for and attendance at these events is possible in you and your child’s schedule? ________________________________________________________________

Signature ____________________________ Date _______________________

The candidate must have his/her application, letter of intent and recommendations into the Archdiocese no later than December 20, 2019.