



Red Stick Catholic Fest 2018 Policies & Procedures

Group Leader & Vendor Instructions:

- Please download a copy of the POLICIES & PROCEDURES and LIABILITY & PHOTO RELEASE forms.
- Every PARTICIPANT (adult & youth) must bring a completed LIABILITY & PHOTO RELEASE form.
- Every GROUP, FAMILY, EXHIBITOR, VENDOR must have their ADULT participants sign one (1) printed copy of the last page of the CODE OF CONDUCT/POLICIES & PROCEDURES to be handed in during check-in.

Participant & Chaperone Policy

- Red Stick Catholic Fest is for teens and young adults ages 13(9th grade) and up.
- Two (2) chaperones are required for the first 10 youth attending as a non-family group.
- One (1) chaperone (21 years or older) is required for every additional six (6) teen participants. ***Teens may NOT be dropped off without a chaperone.***
- All chaperones, parents, and young adult participants must be Safe Environment Certified through the Diocese of Baton Rouge or their home diocese. If trained in a diocese other than the Diocese of Baton Rouge, each chaperone, adult and young adult must identify their certifying diocese.
- Young adults'/college students wishing to attend RSCF are invited to participate as volunteers. The Volunteer Application Form is available at <https://redstickcatholics.com>. Volunteers are asked to give a minimum of 4 hours of service. Registration for Volunteers is FREE and meals for volunteers will be FREE as well.

Payment & Price of Admission

- Payment is due in full before your group enters the festival on November 10th, 2018
- SEE WALK UP POLICY BELOW: On-Site registration will be available at a cost of \$40 per person plus incidentals (food, t-shirts).
- Checks and cash ONLY will be accepted at the CHECK-IN/REGISTRATION TENT at the entrance of the Festival Perimeter.
- A limited number of RSCF 2018 t-shirts will be available for purchase for \$5 or \$10 (depending on size) for those registering on site.
- A limited number of meal tickets will also be available for purchase at on-site registration.

Cancellation & Return Policy

All registrations submitted after October 24, 2018 is non-refundable. Refunds may be issued until this date by contacting our office at redstickfest@diobr.org. The final date registration may be submitted is October 31, 2018.



Parking & Drop Off Instructions

- **Parking** will be available on the State Fair grounds. Attendants will direct vehicles to the parking area where groups will move together to the check-in station.
- **Please Note:** Once vehicle has entered the designated parking area it may not be able to leave until after the participant traffic has died down.
- **Buses** are permitted and will have their own designated parking area.
- **Carpool & Drop-Off:** If a participant is being dropped off and their vehicle is NOT remaining on the grounds during the day, they will be directed to the carpool, drop-off and exit locations. Once a participant has exited their vehicle in the drop-off they **MUST** meet up with their designated group **BEFORE** entering into the festival. We will have designated areas for groups to meet up outside of the gates.
- **Pick Up Location** will be at the same place as the drop-off location. Attendants will direct and assist parents/guardians to pick up their participants.
- **A.D.A. Parking will be available. Please ask the parking attendants to direct you to the designated area for accessible parking.**

Credential & Wristband Policy

- All participants and chaperones must wear a conference-issued wristband to gain entry to the festival grounds and must wear their wristband at all times during the festival.
- Only persons with pre-assigned credentials are allowed to gain entry to the backstage area.
- Participants, Chaperones and vendors are not allowed backstage at any time.

What to Bring & What to Wear

Please keep in mind that Red Stick Catholic Fest is an outdoor event and all activities & functions of this event will be held outdoors. Each attendee should bring:

- Comfortable shoes
- Backpacks – for teens & chaperones to carry personal belongings
 - Note: Backpacks will be subject to random search upon entry of the Festival.
- Sunscreen, chapstick, hand sanitizer, wipes, bug spray
- Hats, umbrellas, hand water sprayers for cooling
- Rain Gear, zip-lock or watertight bags (to store personal belongings in case of rain).
- Picnic Blankets and/or Tarps to sit on
- Flashlights - for exiting the field after dark
- Spending money (Vendors & Exhibitors will be on site and will be selling various merchandise)
- Folding chairs **ARE ALLOWED** however they may **ONLY** be used by adults and those with special needs. **Group leaders and chaperones are encouraged to bring tailgate chairs for their comfort and convenience throughout the day.**
- **Ice Chests are permitted** but are subject to a random search by security or festival officials upon arrival and at any time during the festival.



- **Water Bottles:** Bottled water will be provided with meals, but providing water bottles for the rest of the day's activities is the responsibility of each group. **The fairground is not equipped with places to refill water bottles.**

What To Wear

- Clothing **MUST** be modest and appropriate at all times
 - No tank tops, midriff tops, strapless tops, leggings, or short-shorts (e.g. Nike shorts) are permitted. Skirts are allowed if shorts are worn underneath.
 - Saggy pants that expose one's undergarments are not allowed. Undergarments must be concealed at all times.
 - Participants must wear shoes at all times.
- It is encouraged (however not required) that each group wears its own "group t-shirt" to **1.)** help limit potential violations with dress code, **2.)** be able to easily locate & identify your group members and **3.)** to represent your group with pride during certain group activities that are planned throughout the day.

List of Prohibited Items & Prohibited Activities:

- No alcohol, cigarettes, illegal drugs, firearms, pocket-knives, lighters or matches
- No laser pointers, fireworks, noisemakers (ie: air horns, cowbells, vuvuzelas, etc.)
- No drones
- No headphones, video games and other entertainment devices are permitted.
- We please request that all cell phones be turned off or on vibrate during the festival. We strongly recommend group leaders confiscate their teens phones if they become a distraction to them, your group or other groups around you.
- Beach umbrellas, shade-covered chairs, and any other shading devices that may obscure vision to the stage must be kept on the outer perimeter of the field.
- No rough-housing, shoulder rides, crowd surfing, or piggy-back rides

Tobacco/Nicotine Policy

- No smoking will be allowed inside the festival perimeter during the event. Tobacco products of any kind are not allowed. Period. This includes cigarettes, cigars, dip, snuff, e-cigarettes, vaporizers aka "vaping", etc.
- Louisiana State Law prohibits the use of tobacco products by anyone under 18 years of age.

Activity & Game Area Policy

- There will be an area designated for games, competitions and inflatables.
- Please make sure teens are accompanied by a chaperone when they are in this area.
- We will have various competition-style events throughout the day where we will invite teens from various parishes to participate around the main stage area.



General Timeline

- **8:30am – 10am:** Check-in & Onsite Registration
 - Vendors Open & Music Begins
- **10am – 12pm:** Morning Session
- **12pm – 1pm:** Lunch
- **1pm – 3:30pm:** Afternoon Session
- **4pm – 5pm:** Mass
- **5pm – 6pm:** Dinner
- **7pm – 8pm:** Adoration
- **8:30pm:** End of the Conference

Spending Money

- Certain vendors will have items for sale, so participants are encouraged to bring cash, should they desire to make a purchase. However, the registration fee covers all of the costs associated to participate in the event, so no spending money is required.



Festival Points of Contact

Registration Information

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Site Address & Driving Directions

BREC Airline Highway Park (State Fair Grounds)

16072 Airline Hwy, Baton Rouge, LA 70817

Directions from I-10:

Take Exit 166 to Highland Road (LA-42). Turn East onto Highland and drive 1.6 miles and you will arrive at the intersection of Highland Rd. and Airline Hwy. (US-61). Turn Right onto Airline Hwy and drive south for 1.2 miles and the destination will be on your right.

Directions from 1-12:

Take Exit 2A to merge onto Airline Highway South (US-61). Drive south for approximately 7 miles and the destination will be on your right.