



## Application Instructions

You must be a high school student between 15 and 19 to attend TEC. The B/N TEC program welcomes candidates of all faiths and denominations.

The application process includes four (4) parts to be completed and signed by the applicant, a reference, and a parent or guardian of the candidate respectively.

### **The Candidate Application** – Completed and signed by the **applicant**

Please provide information requested on the application. Read, review with parent or guardian, and sign the “Agreement Regarding Conduct”. Give the application and deposit your reference.

### **The Reference/Referral** – Completed by a **teacher, minister, priest, counselor, or trusted adult mentor**

Provide information requested on the form specifically about the candidate. Please be as candid as possible to help the team properly prepare for the weekend and form groups that best enable teams to grow in their faith. Once complete, follow instructions below to submit the application

### **Emergency Medical Authorization** – Completed by **parent or guardian** and **notarized**

Provide the necessary information to ensure the safety and well-being of the candidate. Should the need arise, the information will be given to the proper medical authorities. This must be on file per requirement of the Peoria Catholic Diocese. Bold print identifies required fields. Be as specific as possible, especially regarding allergies, medical reactions, and dietary restrictions. Please include this with the Permission form when submitting the information; these may be mailed separate from the Candidate Application and Reference.

### **Permission Form** – Completed by **parent or guardian**

Please complete and sign this form, which includes publicity release. Please review and initial your agreement with the Participant’s Agreement Regarding Conduct form. Please include this with the Emergency Medical Authorization form when submitting this information

The local TEC community believes financial challenges shall not limit opportunities for our teens to encounter Christ. Financial assistance is available if needed. For more information, please indicate possible need on Candidate Application and talk with Larry or Mary Mester, TEC Lay Coordinators.

## **Submitting Forms**

Unsigned applications will be returned.

Please submit forms no later than 5:00 pm the Monday PRIOR to the TEC weekend to secure your spot. Forms can be printed and given to TEC team member, emailed to team members or to [tec@bntec.org](mailto:tec@bntec.org), or mailed to St. Patrick’s Church of Merna, Attn. Deacon Mike Pool, 1001 N Towanda Barnes Ave, Bloomington, IL 61705.

## **For More Information**

If you have questions completing forms, please contact Tod Williamson at 309-825-1162 or [wmsonmx@gmail.com](mailto:wmsonmx@gmail.com). For questions about TEC weekends or concerns you may have, please contact Larry or Mary Mester, Lay Coordinators at 309-826-1741 or 309-826-1742 respectively.

## Candidate Application – Please Print

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First M.I.*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address Apartment/Unit #*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City State ZIP Code*

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender  Male  Female High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Target Year of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

Weekend date: \_\_\_\_\_ Church/Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ Denomination: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about TEC? \_\_\_\_\_

What do you hope to get out of TEC? \_\_\_\_\_

Any special dietary needs? \_\_\_\_\_

## Agreement Regarding Conduct

As a participant in the Bloomington/Normal Teens Encounter Christ (B/N TEC) weekend, I promise to conduct myself in accordance with the regulations and conduct as set forth by B/N TEC. I understand that B/N TEC, the Catholic Diocese of Peoria, its officers, agents, and/or employees reserve the right to terminate my participation in the B/N TEC weekend for failure to behave and act in accordance with the regulations of conduct, for failure to follow instructions and directions of the adult leaders or chaperones, or for any of my acts of conduct that are deemed by B/N TEC, its officers, agents, or employees to be detrimental to or incompatible with the interests, harmony, comfort, or welfare of the activity as a whole. If my participation is terminated, only funds not actually used will be refunded, and I will leave immediately, if asked to do so, at my own expense. I agree that B/N TEC, its officers, agents, or employees reserve the right at any time prior to or during the activity to make cancellations, changes, or substitutions in emergencies or in the interest of the participants.

**Applicant Signature** (required): \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT/GUARDIAN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:** We have read and understand the stipulations set forth in the paragraphs above. We have discussed the implications of these conditions with our minor child and agree to freely accept and abide by these terms and conditions.

**Parent/Guardian Initials** (required): **(1)** \_\_\_\_\_ **(2)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose a non-refundable deposit of \$20. This will be applied to the registration fee of \$75 (which partially offsets weekend expenses). You will be notified in writing or e-mail of the date and location of your weekend. If you have questions about the TEC program, please e-mail us at [tec@bntec.org](mailto:tec@bntec.org) or call Larry or Mary Mester, Lay Coordinators at 309-826-1741 or 309-826-1742 respectively. Please check here if financial assistance may be needed .

## Reference/Referral

This portion should be completed by a teacher, minister, priest, counselor or trusted adult who know the candidate well. The information remains **confidential** and is used for grouping candidates for the weekend.

Identify areas the candidate excels:  **Academics**     **Athletics**     **Faith**     **Music**     **Social Interactions**  
 **Student Government**     **Theatre**

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Maturity:  **Some Challenges**     **Average**     **Above Average**     **Very Mature**

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Relationship with peers:  **Quiet**     **Reticent**     **Talkative**     **Leader**     **Well-liked**

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Additional comments that may help the TEC team better understand the candidate's attitudes, doubts, or challenges:

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Reference Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the Candidate? \_\_\_\_\_ In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

## Reference/Referral Signature

Reference Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**Permission Form for Bloomington/Normal Teens Encounter Christ**

Parent/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

I, \_\_\_\_\_, grant permission for my child, \_\_\_\_\_,  
(Parent or Guardian's Name) (Participant's Full Name)  
to participate in Bloomington/Normal Teens Encounter Christ (B/N TEC). This activity will take place under the guidance and direction of B/N TEC volunteers. I understand the risks such activity presents to my child, including but not limited to serious personal injury or death. Any questions I have concerning this activity have been answered.

As parent and/or legal guardian, I remain legally responsible for any personal actions taken by the above named minor ("participant"). In consideration for my child being allowed to participate in this activity, I hereby **RELEASE AND AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS** B/N TEC, the Catholic Diocese of Peoria, their employees and agents, and any volunteers assisting B/N TEC, from any and all liability for injuries, damages, medical expenses, or any other loss to my child or family or me (including attorneys' fees) arising from or related to my child's participation in this activity.

**PHOTO RELEASE**

On occasion, B/N TEC may take photographs or make audio or video tape recording of participants involved in activities. Such photographs or video records may be used by staff and participants to remember the activities or participants. In addition, such photographs and audio/visual recordings may be used by B/N TEC publications or advertising materials to let others know about B/N TEC. In addition, local news organizations may hear of our activities or event, and B/N TEC may invite or allow them to photograph or record our events to be used, distributed, or displayed as agents of B/N TEC see fit. This consent includes but is not limited to photographs, videotape, and audio recordings.

**AGREE REGARDING CONDUCT**

We have read and understand the stipulations set forth in the paragraphs under the Participant's Agreement Regarding Conduct. We have discussed the implication of these conditions with our minor child and agree to freely accept and abide by these terms and conditions.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**(1) Signature of Parent/Guardian**      Date      **(2) Signature of Parent/Guardian**      Date

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**Printed Name of Parent/Guardian**

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