

GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO JR. OLYMPICS:

ST. SOPHIA JR. OLYMPICS

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND: MAY 25-26-27

Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, Palos Hills, IL

PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION PACKET

Team & Individual Sports: Basketball, Soccer, Swimming, Bowling, Softball,
Volleyball, Tennis, Track & Field and More!!!

All participant registrations are due by **December 31, 2017.**

\$10 Registration Fee must accompany Registration packet.

NO LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

NO EXCEPTIONS.

**Parents: Please Join Us for a Mandatory
Parent Meeting With Father Andrew**

Sunday, January 28, 2018.

Immediately following the dismissal of Liturgy in the Church.

Practices Begin in February 2018.

Questions?

Please Contact Father Andrew

St. Sophia Jr. Olympics Eligibility Requirements and Other Important Information:

Please carefully read the eligibility requirements and other important information listed below:

- **STEWARDSHIP:** Every participant must be current stewards of their parish.
- **REGISTERED:** You must be enrolled (parents must have completed & submitted completed registration packets) for both Youth Ministry and Sunday Church School.
- **INVOLVEMENT:** You must be actively and regularly involved with Youth Ministry activities and Sunday Church School in order to participate in Jr. Olympics. This will be verified by Church School attendance records.
- **REGISTRATION FEE:** \$10 Registration fee must be submitted with each participant's registration packet.
- **EXPECTATION:** Each participant is required to commit to play if you sign up for a sport and attend practices. The expectation is that you will be part of the team on the day of the event. Your teammates depend on you and if you do not attend practices and the day of event; we may have to forfeit due to not meeting minimum team requirements; if you have a conflict please talk to Father Andrew immediately in order to determine a solution.
- **PRIORITY:** Our goal is to match each individual with his or her preferred choice. However, due to the demand of the sport's schedule and space available; those who register with COMPLETED registration packets early will receive priority. It is in your best interest to submit your registration as soon as possible.
- **ATTEND PRACTICES:** It is expected that each participant to attend all practices as scheduled; if you have a conflict please talk to Father Andrew in order to determine a solution. Practices will begin in February. Once coaches are determined, teams have been formed and facilities reserved we will contact you with the practice schedules.
- **PARTICIPATION:** St. Sophia's participation in each sport will depend on whether we have enough participants or the Metropolis itself may change events or age groups. When you sign up for a sport, you will be notified of all changes as soon as we are aware of them.
- **ATTEND OPENING CEREMONIES:** Opening Ceremonies Saturday Morning of the event is an important part of the Jr. Olympics experience and we require that all of our athletes and coaches to be in attendance. We will meet under the St. Sophia banner on the track at 7:30 am on Saturday, May 26th.
- **DUE DATE:** All completed registration packets are due on or before **December 31, 2017** to Father Andrew. There are no exceptions.

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ST. SOPHIA JR. OLYMPICS REGISTRATION PACKET

Registration Form Due by **December 31, 2017***

Participant's First & Last Name: _____ Gender (Circle) M or F

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Birth Date: _____ Age: _____ Participant's Email Address: _____

Participant's Cell #: _____ Do you want to receive text messages? (Circle) Yes or No

Father's Name: _____ Father's Email Address: _____

Father's Cell #: _____ Do you want to receive text messages? (Circle) Yes or No

Mother's Name: _____ Mother's Email Address: _____

Mother's Cell #: _____ Do you want to receive text messages? (Circle) Yes or No

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Relationship to Participant: _____

Emergency Contact's Cell #: _____ Can you receive text messages? (Circle) Yes or No

Are you signed up with the Bloomz App: (Circle) Yes or No

What is the best form of Communication: (Circle) Email or Text Messages or Bloomz App

Please Note that email and text-capable phone numbers are very important. While we do our best to avoid these situations; there may be instances where practices are cancelled or changed on short notice. Please let us know the best way for you to receive notices (Email/text/Bloomz App). Our registration forms and rosters will dictate who gets a notice, so please indicate each sport below that your child will be participating in by utilizing the list below.

Participant uniform is required: *(New t-shirts this year)*

Please indicate Size (Circle): YS YM YL YXL AS AM AL AXL AXXL

Registration of fee \$10.00 must be included with this registration packet:

- The registration fee covers your t-shirt cost and helps offset registration fees

Directions for submitting:

- Please take time to read this registration packet thoroughly and comply accordingly together with your youth.
- Complete all requested fields as directed; incomplete and unsigned registrations packets will not be accepted.
- Keep the first page (front & back) for your records.
- Submit the remaining pages along with your \$10 registration fee to Father Andrew by December 31, 2017.
- Each Youth requires an individual form - do not combine your children onto one form.

BELOW IS THE LIST OF EVENTS AND ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: (Must meet all age requirements by May 25, 2018)

Bowling - Boys & Girls Ages 12-18 and in High School (Friday night Event)

Track & Field - Boys & Girls, ages 7-18

10K Run – Age 13 and over (adults are encouraged to compete!!!)

Tennis – Boys 13-15 and 16-18 Single and Doubles; GIRLS 13-15 and 16-18 Singles and Doubles;

Table Tennis - BOYS 13-15 and 16-18, Singles and Doubles; GIRLS 13-15 and 16-18, Singles and Doubles;

Chess, Checkers OR Backgammon – Boys & Girls Co-Ed: Ages 8-18 (**Alternate to Track & Field, cannot do both**)

Basketball – Minor Boys & Girls Ages 7-10

Major Boys & Girls Ages 11-13

Softball - Boys & Girls Co-Ed, Ages 13-18 and in High School

Volleyball – Boys, Ages 13-18 and in High School

Girls, Ages 13-18 and in High School

Soccer - Bidy Team: Boys & Girls, Ages 7-9

JOY Team: Boys & Girls, Ages 10-12

Jr. GOYA Team: Boys & Girls, Ages 13-15

Sr. GOYA Team: Boys & Girls, Ages 16-18

Swimming – Boys & Girls, Ages 7- 18 (Sunday Event, must be able to swim length of pool)

Wrestling – Must have wrestled or currently wrestling for a club team or their school team. Boys & Girls, Grades 5-12

(Sunday Event. Participant must fill out the Junior Olympic Registration Form as well as the Individual Registration Form specifically for wrestling.)

PLEASE LIST BELOW THE ATHLETIC EVENTS YOU ARE MOST INTERESTED IN:

First Choice: _____ Sixth Choice: _____

Second Choice: _____ Seventh Choice: _____

Third Choice: _____ Eighth Choice: _____

Fourth Choice: _____ Ninth Choice: _____

Fifth Choice: _____ Tenth Choice: _____

TRACK PARTICPANT PREFERENCE:

Please indicate your preference for Track & Field Events by using a numbering system; using 1 as first choice, 2 as second choice, and so forth: **NOTE: If you choose to do Chess, Checkers or Backgammon you cannot do Track & Field.**

Softball Throw (Ages 7-10/11-12) _____

Shot Put (Ages 13-15/16-18) _____

Long Jump (Ages 11-12/13-15/16-18) _____

50 yard dash (Ages 8-10/11-12) _____

200 shuttle relay (Ages 8-10/11-12) _____

100 meter Run (Ages 13-15/16-18) _____

400 meter Run (Ages 13-15/16-18) _____

800 meter Run (Ages 13-15/16-18) _____

400 meter relay (Ages 13-15/16-18) _____

1 Mile Run (Ages 13-15/16-18) _____

10K (Ages 13-15; 16-18; 19-29; 30-39; 40-49; 50-59; 60 and over.) _____

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ATHLETE REGISTRATION FORM / INSURANCE WAIVER / CODE OF CONDUCT ACCEPTANCE

REGISTRATION FORM:

Please PRINT neatly

NAME:		
Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
ADDRESS:		
CITY:	STATE:	ZIP:
HOME PHONE #:	CELL PHONE #:	
EMERGENCY #:	E-MAIL:	
PARENTS CELL PHONE #:	PARENTS EMAIL:	
DATE OF BIRTH:	AGE:	GRADE:
MALE / FEMALE <small>(CIRCLE ONE)</small>	WEIGHT:	HEIGHT:
NAME OF CHURCH: St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church, Elgin, IL		

(BE PREPARED TO PRESENT A BIRTH CERTIFICATE, IF NECESSARY)

INSURANCE WAIVER

We consent and give authority to obtain medical care and treatment of any and all injuries as a result of participation in the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago Junior Olympics.

INSURANCE (HOSPITALIZATION) COMPANY: _____

POLICY NUMBER: _____ DATE: _____

DRUG ALLERGIES: _____

**Signature of Parent: _____

We, the parents (legal guardians) of the above child, do give our consent and approval for his/her participation in any and all activities of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago Junior Olympics. In consideration of our child's acceptance in said activities, we the undersigned do hereby agree to indemnify and hold harmless The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago Junior Olympics, under the auspices of The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago, and the Parish of SS. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church its directors, officers, coaches, and agents, and all churches/parishes that fall under its jurisdiction, without regard to any negligence on their part, against any claim for damages, compensation or otherwise including all losses and expenses caused to or by our child while participating in any Athletic Program or activity of The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago Junior Olympics, under the auspices of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago.

WAIVER & RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS & ASSUMPTION OF RISK

Please read the reverse side of this Enrollment/Registration Form. It contains a waiver and release of all claims and assumption of risk while involved in the program or activity registering for shown above. I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to participants in these programs/activities, and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any and all injuries, damages or loss regardless of severity, that my minor child/ward or I may sustain as a result of said participation. I further agree to waive and relinquish all claims I or my minor child/ward may have (or accrue to me or my child/ward) as a result of participating in these programs/activities against the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago, a Metropolis of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, including its officials, agents, volunteers and employees (herein after collectively referred to Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago). I do hereby fully release and forever discharge the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago and the Parish of SS. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church from any and all claims for injuries, damages or loss that my minor child/ward or I may have or which may accrue to me or my child/ward and arising out of, connected with, or in any way associated with these programs or activities. I have read and fully understand the important information, **warning of risk, assumption of risk and waiver on the reverse side; and release of all claims.** If registering on-line or via fax; your on-line or facsimile signature shall substitute for and have the same legal effect as an original form signature. ***PARTICIPATION WILL BE DENIED; if the signature of an adult participant or parent/guardian and date are not completed below.***

** Signature of Parent: _____ Date: _____

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Participants and parents/guardians of minors registering for the listed programs/activities must recognize that there is an inherent risk of injury when choosing to participate in recreational activities/programs. You are solely responsible for determining if you or your minor child/ward is physically fit and/or sufficiently skilled for the activities contemplated by this agreement. It is always advisable, especially if the participant pregnant or disabled in any way or recently suffered an illness, injury or impairment, to consult a physician before undertaking any physical activity.

WARNING OF RISK

Recreational activities/programs may challenge and engage the physical, mental and emotional resources of each participant. Despite careful and proper preparation, instruction, medical advice, conditioning and equipment, there is still a risk of serious injury when participating in an recreational activity/program. Not all hazards and dangers can be foreseen. Depending on the particular activity, participants must understand that certain risks, damages and injuries due to inclement weather, slipping, falling, poor skill level or conditioning, carelessness, horseplay, unsportsmanlike conduct, premises defects, inadequate or defective equipment, inadequate supervision, instruction or officiating and all other circumstances inherent to indoor and outdoor recreation activities/programs exist. It must be recognized that the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago and the Greek Orthodox Parish of SS. Constantine and Helen are not responsible for the safety of any participant.

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Please read this form carefully and be aware that in signing up and participating in the programs/activities identified on the reverse side of this form, you will be expressly assuming the risk and legal ability and waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages or loss which you or your minor child/ward might sustain as a result of participating in any and all activities connected with and associated with said programs/activities (including transportation services/vehicle operation, when provided).

I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury to myself or my minor child/ward in the programs/activities set forth on the reverse side, and I voluntarily agree to assume the full risk of any and all injuries, damages or loss, regardless of severity, that my minor child/ward or I may sustain as a result of said participation. I further agree to waive and relinquish all claims I or my minor child/ward may have (or accrue to me or my child/ward) as a result of participating in these programs/activities against the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago and the Greek Orthodox parish of SS. Constantine and Helen including their officials, agents, volunteers and employees.

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We acknowledge receipt of the Code of Conduct / Mission Statement of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago Jr. Olympics and further acknowledge having read and received this Code with our child and pledge our adherence to it.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

(If not signed, child will be disqualified)

Signature of Participant