



**The Diocese of Birmingham in Alabama
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November 1, 2019

Dear Superintendents, Principals and Teachers:

On November 21-24, 2019, young people in grades nine through twelve will gather for a national conference in Indianapolis, IN. More than 20,000 participants will come from every corner of the U.S. to spend three days in large group assemblies and workshops. The primary purpose of the conference is leadership development, prayer and religious education. The local contingent will travel on chartered buses, leaving Alabama during the early morning hours of Thursday, November 21st and returning late Sunday evening, November 24th.

Please excuse conference participants from school on November 21st and 22nd. We believe they will find the experience of the National Catholic Youth Conference both educational and spiritually enriching. Time well spent for a high school student.

Thank you for your consideration. Please feel free to call me if you have a question or concern.

Sincerely yours:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Donald Schwarzhoff".

Donald Schwarzhoff
Director, Office for Youth