



METNY USY

Regional Convention Application

May 15-17, 2009



INSTRUCTIONS: Upon receipt of application you will receive an email confirmation. If you do not hear from us within 10 days of mailing your application please call the office at 212-533-0800.

- COST:** The total cost of the weekend is **\$285**. Senior Program Thurs. May 14th, the total cost is **\$350**. Please make **checks payable to: United Synagogue – METNY**.
- APPLICATION:** Mail payment and application to **METNY USY, 330 W. 38th Street, Ste. 205 NY, NY 10018. Attn: RC 2009**
 - DEADLINE: Applications must be in the METNY office by Monday, April 20th.** Space for this event is *limited*. Applications received late OR after the quota is reached will be wait-listed. Applications received after the deadline will be charged a **\$15.00 late fee**. **Please note:** Rooming will be done to reserve hotel rooms immediately after the deadline. Any applicants who are admitted late/off the waitlist will not have their rooming requests honored.
- CANCELLATION:** No Refund
- BUS INFORMATION:** Busing is included in the cost of Convention and will be provided for all USYers. Please anticipate leaving early Friday morning and returning late afternoon on Sunday. All bus times and locations (including senior program) will be sent to you by email and regular mail May 4th. **NO USYER IS PERMITTED TO DRIVE TO CONVENTION.** There will be a bus for Seniors who are participating in the Senior Program that will travel to the Convention on Thursday, May 14th in the early afternoon.
- No application will be accepted without proper signatures from your Youth Director and/ or Rabbi.

CREDIT CARD INFORMATION: Circle one: Visa/MasterCard Number: _____
 WE DO NOT EXCEPT AMERICAN EXPRESS Exp. _____ 3-digit Security Code: _____

USYer INFORMATION: (PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)

Name: _____ Email address: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ Zip code: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
 Chapter: _____ Division: _____ Gender: ___ M ___ F Grade: _____
 T-Shirt Size: ___ Small ___ Medium ___ Large ___ X-Large Are you a vegetarian? ___ Yes ___ No
 Lactose Intolerant? ___ Yes ___ No Any other dietary issues? _____
 *If you are a senior, are you participating in the Senior Program? ___ Yes ___ No (If yes, please note cost difference listed above).

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Business Phone: _____
 Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
 Email address: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: (MUST NOT BE A PARENT)

Name: _____ Relationship to Participant: _____
 Phone: _____ Cell/Business Phone: _____

ROOMING REQUEST:

Please list up to two other USYers (same gender) with whom you would like to be roomed. All requests must be **RECIPROCAL**
 1. _____ 2. _____

*****Please Note: We will do our best to honor your requests but cannot guarantee that you will room with all of the people you requested.**

RITUAL INFORMATION:

I would like to LEAD (please check all that apply):

Weekday Shacharit _____	Weekday Mincha _____	Kabbalat Shabbat _____	Musaf _____
Shabbat Shacharit _____	Shabbat Mincha _____	Torah Service _____	Maariv _____
Torah Reading _____	Haftorah Reading _____	Shabbat Maariv _____	Motzi/Birkat _____

RELIGIOUS INFORMATION: ___ Cohen ___ Levi ___ Israel

MEDICAL INFORMATION: All prescription medications will be collected at the beginning of Convention and dispensed by our nurse.

Name of Insurance Carrier: _____
 Policy Holder's Name: _____ Policy #: _____
 Please indicate any medical conditions about which we should be aware: _____

We the undersigned parents/guardians of _____ authorize the Director of Youth Activities of METNY USY or his/her agent of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism to act as our agents to consent to any medical diagnosis and/or treatment or hospital care deemed necessary. In no event will METNY USY or staff or agents associated thereof, or the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, or staff or agents associated thereof be held liable for any first aid or surgical procedures performed pursuant to this consent.

Parent/Guardian Signature: ✕ _____ Date: _____
 Parent/Guardian Name (please print): _____

METNY REGION - CODE OF CONDUCT

In connection with any Regional program (including dances), including travel to and from such program:

- 1) Kashrut will be observed, including during transportation to and from USY events and during free time.
- 2) All participants shall observe the religious policies established by the USCJ, including those pertaining to Shabbat observance (including arrival prior to Shabbat and travel on Shabbat exclusively to a scheduled synagogue event or services); all males must wear Kippot during services and Tallis/Tefillin in morning services where appropriate. All USYers shall wear clothing appropriate to the event/location.
- 3) Possession or use of any weapons, alcohol, tobacco products, and/or illegal drugs is not permitted at a USY event.
- 4) Attendance at all scheduled USY event activities is required, and only those registered for the USY event are permitted to attend, unless otherwise approved by the event director. No USYer may leave the premises in which a scheduled event is located without prior approval of the event director as well as prior permission of the parent/guardian. No USYer is permitted to enter or leave the event once Shabbat has begun.
- 5) All rooming assignments are final, and any changes may only be made with the express permission of the event director.
- 6) No participant shall violate any civil or criminal law, including but not limited to, those relating to tampering of or destruction of one's own or another person's physical and/or mental integrity. Inappropriate or unwelcome physical contact or language, indecent attire or public nudity, is not permitted.
- 7) ***Clothing on which any profanity or inappropriate language, pictures, or symbols are written, printed, or depicted is not permitted. No visible underwear is permitted for both males and females. During services, inappropriate short skirts or shorts, or tight garments are not permitted. Shoulders must be covered for both males and females. Tank tops, 2-piece bathing suits (except where midriff is covered), bare midriff styles, halter-tops, leggings or see through blouses are not permitted. Required attire for Shabbat: Males—long pants with a dress shirt and dress shoes. Females—a skirt or dress of appropriate length, blouses with sleeves, dress shoes. Males and Females—no shorts, jeans, or sneakers are to be worn during Shabbat services and meals.***
- 8) Participants shall fully cooperate with every staff person, including volunteer staff, and shall otherwise adhere to all rules established for the event.

Anyone who violates this Code shall be subject to disciplinary consequences, including, but not limited to, being sent home at the expense of the violating USYer or staff member (or his/her parent/guardian), monetary payment for personal and/or property damages and suspension from future USY events. The event director reserves the right to enforce these and any other behavioral rules, and impose additional sanctions with respect to behavior that would otherwise affect the integrity of the USY event and/or health and welfare of its participants and staff.

In the event a participant violates the National Youth Commission policy regarding drug/alcohol abuse or any other criminal offense (including but not limited to shoplifting), punishment for that offense will include suspension from International USY events/activities (including but not limited to International USY Convention and USY Summer Programs) for one year following the infraction. The METNY Region reserves the right to impose additional sanctions in connection with this or any other improper behavior as it sees fit.

METNY Region reserves the right to search the room and belongings of any attendee of any USY event or activity if it has reasonable grounds to believe that such a search is necessary to secure the health, safety, and/or welfare of the program and/or its participants. Judgments in such situations will be made by the event director in consultation with the Regional Youth Director. METNY reserves the right to enforce other rules relating to the integrity of its programs and/or health, safety, or welfare of its participants.

By signing below I certify that I have read these rules and understand them fully. I certify that I will adhere to this Cod and will conduct myself in a manner reflecting credit upon myself, my chapter, congregation and community. Any violation of this code of conduct may result in the participant being sent home at his/her parents' expense. The regional Director has the sole discretion to send a participant home.

SIGNATURES (Required)

× _____
USYer's Signature

× _____
Parent/Guardian's Signature

RABBI OR YOUTH DIRECTOR SIGNATURE (Required)

Only paid members of USY may participate in this program. Please sign here to indicate that this USYer is fully paid as a member of your chapter and is a paid member of the region, and that you are comfortable with this USYer participating in this program. We also ask you to please contact the USY office at (212)533-0800 should you wish to share anything about this applicant that we should know.

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Rabbi or Youth Director Signature

Any questions: Please contact Wendy Pusateri at 212-533-0800 or Pusateri@uscj.org