



DIOCESAN SUMMER CAMPS

Diocese of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern)

Department of Youth and Young Adult Ministries

ONLINE SOCIAL NETWORKING POLICY

Policy for Online Social Networking and Blogging Websites for ALL Participants

In general, Hye Camp / St. Vartan Camp views social networking sites (e.g., Facebook, Twitter etc.), personal websites, and weblogs positively and respects the right of participants to use them as a medium of self expression. If a participant chooses to identify himself or herself as a participant of Hye Camp / St. Vartan Camp on such Internet venues, some readers of such websites or blogs may view the participant as a representative or spokesperson of Hye Camp / St. Vartan Camp, its programs or activities, its participants, and /or other staff, in a blog or on a website:

1. Participants must be respectful in all communications (text and photos) and blogs related to Hye Camp / St. Vartan Camp, its employees, and other participants. Any photos or messages that are linked or “tagged” from “friends” and attached to your site(s) or profile(s) that are inappropriate should be removed immediately.
2. Participants must not use obscenities, profanity, or vulgar language.
3. Participants must not use blogs or personal websites to disparage Hye Camp / St. Vartan Camp, other participants, or staff of Hye Camp / St. Vartan Camp
4. Participants must not use blogs or personal websites to harass, bully or intimidate other participants or staff of Hye Camp / St. Vartan Camp. Behaviors that constitute harassment and bullying include, but are not limited to, comments that are derogatory with respect to race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, color, or disability; sexually suggestive, humiliating, or demeaning comments; and threats to stalk, haze, or physically injure another person.
5. Participants must not use these venues to discuss engaging in conduct prohibited by camp policies or an Orthodox Christian lifestyle, including, but not limited to, the use of alcohol and drugs, sexual behavior, sexual harassment, and bullying.

Any participant found to be in violation of any partition of this policy will be subject to immediate disciplinary action, up to and including dismissal at the discretion of the Camp Director.



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