

Background Checks

Dear Valley Forge Baptist Academy Volunteers,

All volunteers ages 18 and over who work with children and youth (17 and under) are to have child safety clearances which are required by the state of Pennsylvania. You cannot volunteer without the results being turned into the Church office.

Please complete ALL three clearances below and turn them into the Church office upon completion:

1. PA CHILD ABUSE HISTORY CLEARANCE

compass.state.pa.us/cwis/public/home

Cost: FREE, you'll need to create an individual account or if you have already created an account in the past just login to your account to update it. We need the document that has a watermark on it.

2. PA CRIMINAL HISTORY REPORT

epatch.pa.gov/home

Cost: FREE, we need the document that has a watermark on it.

3. FBI FINGERPRINT REGISTRATION

uenroll.identogo.com/

Cost: FREE, if you're signing affidavit disclosure statement.
\$24.20 for Volunteers registering for FBI fingerprinting.

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Signed Affidavit Disclosure Statement: If you have been a PA resident for at least 10 consecutive years and you can state with confidence that you have no convictions to disqualify you from volunteering with children, you may sign an affidavit disclosure statement. Valley Forge Baptist can provide a disclosure for you to sign and turn in, to be kept for our records.

OR

FBI Fingerprint Registration: If you have NOT been a PA resident for at least 10 consecutive years, you will need to obtain an FBI clearance. After registration, you, the applicant proceeds to the fingerprinting location of choice.

Volunteers- PA Department of Human Service

Volunteer Service Code: 1KG6ZJ

Register via phone at IdentoGO Customer Service:

1-844-321-2001

M-F, 8:00 AM- 6:00 PM

Questions about your FBI clearance, call or visit:

FBI Background Check Unit

717-783-6211

1-855-845-7434

Keepkidssafe.pa.gov

To find an IdentoGO site location nearest you, call or visit:

1-844-321-2101

Identogo.com/locations

Be sure to verify the FBI fingerprinting location you have registered for is open before visiting. It's best to make an appointment prior to your visit. Please reach out the Pastor Anthony Ioime if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Kind Regards,

Debie Grace

Assistant to Head of School Airic J. Briggs

VOLUNTEER SERVICE AFFIDAVIT/AFFIRMATION

Pennsylvania's Child Protective Services Law, as amended by Act 153 of 2014 and Act 15 of 2015, requires all volunteers who will be responsible for the welfare of a child or have direct contact and routine interaction with children as part of their service to obtain the following three (3) clearances: the FBI Federal Criminal History Clearance, the Pennsylvania State Police Criminal Record Check and the Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance.

Act 153 allows prospective adult volunteers to be exempted from obtaining the FBI Federal Criminal History Clearance if the following three qualifications are met:

- (1) The position being applied for is unpaid;
- (2) The prospective volunteer has been a resident of Pennsylvania during the entirety of the previous ten-year period; and
- (3) The prospective volunteer swears or affirms in writing that he/she is not disqualified from service due to criminal history (as detailed in the Acts).

Carefully read the statements below. If you swear or affirm they are true, sign your name, print your name and enter the date in the space provided at the bottom of the page.

- ◆ I have been a Pennsylvania resident during the entirety of the previous ten-year period.
- ◆ I have not been named in the Statewide database (central register) as the perpetrator of a founded report of child abuse, committed within the last five years, or been a school employee so named.
- ◆ I have never been convicted of a felony offense under the act of April 14, 1972 (P.L. 233, No. 64), known as the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, committed within the last five years.
- ◆ I have never been convicted of any of the following offenses (listed in the Pennsylvania Crimes Code) or any offenses similar in nature to the following offenses or of the attempt, solicitation or conspiracy to commit any of the following offenses under the laws or former laws of the United States or one of its territories or possessions, another state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico or a foreign nation, or under a former law of this Commonwealth:

Chapter 25 (relating to criminal homicide)
Section 2702 (relating to aggravated assault)
Section 2709.1 (related to stalking)
Section 2902 (relating to unlawful restraint)
Section 3121 (relating to rape)
Section 3122.1 (relating to statutory sexual assault)
Section 3123 (relating to involuntary deviate sexual intercourse)
Section 3124.1 (relating to sexual assault)
Section 3125 (relating to aggravated indecent assault)
Section 3126 (relating to indecent assault)

Section 3127 (relating to indecent exposure)
Section 4302 (relating to incest)
Section 4303 (relating to concealing death of child)
Section 4304 (relating to endangering welfare of children)
Section 4305 (relating to dealing in infant children)
A felony offense under Section 5902(b) (relating to prostitution and related offenses)
Section 5903(c) or (d) (relating to obscene and other sexual materials and performances)
Section 6301 (relating to corruption of minors)
Section 6312 (relating to sexual abuse of children)

I hereby verify that the statements in the foregoing Affidavit/Affirmation are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. I understand that the statements therein are made subject to the penalties of 18 Pa.C.S.A. Section 4904, relating to unsworn falsification to authorities.

Prospective Volunteer Signature

Printed Name

Date