Episcopal Diocese of Texas
Happening Rector Application

Guidelines & Information Sheet

Thank you for taking time to fill out this application and considering the position of Rector. Before you begin, take a moment to pray and ask God to take you through this process. Try to let go of what you want and try to be open to what God wants. Recognize that God has a place for you to minister whether He wants your role, at this time, as Rector. Maybe it is going through the application and interview process and maybe it is to be a support through prayer or in action through staffing or attending lock-In. In any case, it is God's plan and our prayer for you that you feel a sense of excitement and peace through it all.

Make sure that you have the following items included:

- ***Completed Application*** – (please type or use black ink) make sure that you complete the entire application and try and be as thorough as possible so that the committee can get an idea of who you are and why you have been called to this process and position.
- ***Picture*** – please attach a recent picture of yourself to the top left corner of the application.
- ***Letter of Recommendation*** - ask your youth minister, parish priest or an adult that is familiar with your walk with Christ to submit a letter of recommendation. Please have them send it to Shelly Linderman at the address listed below.
- ***Big Choice*** – as you know, Happening is youth-led and adult-supported. We ask that you please provide us with three (3) names of people that are currently active in the Happening community and are over 25 years old. If you don't have three (3) people in mind, please make note of that on your application and Shelly or another steering committee member can assist you with some names as possible candidates.

Please mail the completed application by the deadline to:
Happening Lay Director
C/O Shelly Linderman
1527 Pacific Grove Lane
Katy, Texas 77494

**Note – The April Happening is the last weekend for a graduating senior to be chosen as Rector.

It is not our intent to choose those people that write the best, look the best or that are known the best. It is our intent to truly pray and to listen to God while choosing the Rector and Big. Please pray for the Steering Committee who will be reading your application, getting to know you in an in-person interview and through a lot of prayer will discern His will.

Should you have any questions concerning this process you may call Shelly at (832) 671-0208.

In Him,
The Happening Steering Committee

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Name:_____ M or F What you go by: _____

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

H) Phone:_____ Cell:_____ Parent/Guardian Cell:_____

Home Church:_____ City: _____ Phone:_____

Age: _____ Birth Date: ____/____/____ Grade:_____

Email: _____ Parent Email:_____

Attended Happening #_____ Attended Lock-In #(s) _____ Staffed #(s)_____

Positions held: ☐ Family Guide ☐ Gofer ☐ Silent Servant ☐ Cook

☐ **#129 November 20-22, 2009 (deadline Aug 1st)**
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List all leadership positions have you held in your church, school and community:

_____

What school and community activities are you involved in?

_____

What areas are you active in your parish?

_____

What areas are you active in the diocese?

_____

Use 3 adjectives to describe yourself: 1)_____ 2)_____ 3)_____

BIG CHOICE: 1)_____ 2)_____ 3)_____

On the back of this application, please tell us why you want to be Rector for this Happening. Tell us where you are in your relationship with God and Jesus Christ and anything else you want to tell us.

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Characteristics of an Effective Happening Rector

What do you think are the most important qualities of an effective Happening Rector other than a sound and growing relationship with Jesus Christ and a love for others? Please rank the following characteristics in order of importance with #1 being the most important. Feel free to add a different one if you feel there is something left out.

Fun-loving	_____	Open to others	_____
Servant heart	_____	Passionate	_____
Forgiving	_____	Open to input	_____
Responsible	_____	Friendly	_____
Humility	_____	Caring	_____
Encouraging	_____	Energetic	_____
Commitment	_____	_____	_____

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Happening Big Application

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Make sure that you have the following items included:

- ***Completed Application*** – make sure that you complete the entire application and try and be as thorough as possible so that the committee can get an idea of who you are and why you have been called to this process and position. Please type and attach your essay.
- ***Signature*** – please sign your name in the blank space at the bottom of the application – if you are chosen to be Big that will be used to sign a form letter to the incoming Happeners.
- ***Picture*** – please attach a recent picture of yourself to the top left corner of the application.
- ***Letter of Recommendation*** - ask your youth minister, parish priest or an adult that is familiar with your walk with Christ to submit a letter of recommendation. Please have them send it to the address listed below.

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Happening Big Application

Name:_____ M or F What you go: _____

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

H) Phone:_____ Cell:_____ Parent/Guardian Cell:_____

Home Church:_____ City: _____ Phone:_____

Age: _____ Birth Date: ____/____/____ Grade:_____

Email: _____ Parent Email:_____

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What community activities are you involved in?

_____

What areas are you active in your parish?

_____

What areas are you active in the diocese?

_____

Use 3 adjectives to describe yourself: 1)_____ 2)_____ 3)_____

On a separate piece of paper, please tell us why you want to be Big for this Happening. Tell us where you are in your relationship with God and Jesus Christ and anything else you want us to know about you. (please type and attach)

Please sign your name in the space below:

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