Chicago Area Mensa
A Gathering of Gamers (AGOG) 2027

Unaccompanied Minors Policy / Permission

AGOG expects all minors attending AGOG to have one or more parents or legal guardians in attendance. However, some parents or legal guardians consider their children able to conduct themselves responsibly in the context of a Mensa Gathering.

AGOG can allow, at our option, children aged 12 to 17 to attend without parents or legal guardians if they express in writing, with signatures, that they understand that AGOG will provide no special care or supervision. Furthermore, a child's unaccompanied attendance is entirely at the parents' or legal guardians' (and the children's) risk and subject to their own judgment. In addition, a child must have the parents' or legal guardians' contact information on the back of the child's name badge, which must be worn at all times while attending AGOG.

As AGOG hopes all parents or legal guardians are aware, a Gathering includes some activities that they might consider unsuitable for minors. AGOG cannot give any special attention to imposing parental or legal guardians' judgment or guidance on a child.

The hotel where AGOG is to be held also imposes conditions on unaccompanied minors. Children must keep to the AGOG function spaces and not enter other parts of the hotel that are not open to the public. Those parts include the pool, fitness center, and all sleeping rooms. In particular, the hotel will not let rooms to unaccompanied guests under 21 years of age. For AGOG's concerns, this means unaccompanied attendees through age 20 will need some other sleeping arrangement (crashing in Hospitality is not acceptable for any age!).

Any minor found consuming, distributing, or soliciting alcoholic beverages will be ejected from the event and, as appropriate, parents or legal guardians and/or authorities will be contacted. Additionally, any behaviors that would cause either AGOG or hotel staff to ask an adult to quit the premises will have the same consequence for an unaccompanied child.

Signing within the below space will indicate parents have read, understood and agreed to the above policy.

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Printed Unaccompanied Minor's Name(s)

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Parent's or Legal Guardian's Signature(s)

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Printed Parent's or Legal Guardian's Name(s)

January _____, 2027 _____

Date

Parent's or Legal Guardian's Cell Phone Number