



GENERAL INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS

We look forward to welcoming you to Cohort III of the Brother John Johnston Institute of Contemporary Lasallian Practice beginning in July 2019. Your participation in this formation program will deepen your understanding of De La Salle's story and vision, Lasallian pedagogy, the Lasallian promotion of justice and Lasallian spirituality, while utilizing contemporary texts to inform and influence current and future Lasallian practice. What follows is important information as you prepare for an outstanding professional and personal formation experience.

EXPECTATIONS

The Johnston Institute is a learning and spiritual community in which participants grow and support one another not only in their District cohort, but also in the larger Regional Johnston community. **Attendance in class, prayer services, Mass and socials is expected.** Your attendance in all activities is essential to your Johnston experience and supports members of your group, as well as members of the entire Johnston Institute. Please reference this [sheet of sites and dates for Johnston sessions](#) to assist in planning your calendar and travel itineraries. ***Please review the dates of all sessions and make necessary changes to your schedule to ensure that you do not miss any sessions. It is mandatory to attend ALL sessions.***

THE JOHNSTON COHORT III PROGRAM SCHEDULE

Participants will gather at five in-person District sessions and one Regional session. There will also be opportunities to learn online through three facilitated Zoom dialogues. Much of the in-person sessions will involve lectures and small and large group discussions, with time for reading, reflection and prayer. An important dimension of the Johnston Institute experience is the community we will build with one another. We will achieve this by being present to one another throughout the entire experience. There will be many opportunities to enjoy each other's company at meals and socials.

FACULTY AND STAFF

Great care has been taken to select the faculty and staff to guide and assist you and your colleagues as you begin your journey with the Johnston Institute. As we take up the theme of the July Johnston Institute session, **"The Founding Story and Vision,"** our presenters will be **Maryann Donohue-Lynch**, associate executive director of the Office for Mission and Ministry in the District of Eastern North America (DENA), **Dr. Greg Kopra**, director of formation for mission for the District of San Francisco New Orleans (SFNO), **Sarah Laitinen**, director of Lasallian programs, Office for Lasallian Education at Christian Brothers Conference, and **Brother George Van Grieken, FSC**, director of the Lasallian Resource Center for SFNO.

ATTIRE

Attire for the Johnston Institute is casual and informal. Check the weather for your session location to pack appropriately for the forecasted temperature. Summer sessions will begin at 4:00 p.m. on the first day and conclude by 11:00 a.m. on the final day.

HOUSING

Lodging is included in the registration fee for the Johnston Institute. Participants will primarily stay on college campuses and at retreat centers, which do not offer accommodations like hotels. Linens and towels will be provided; soap and other personal amenities will not be provided. Please be mindful of this when packing for each session. While participants will have individual sleeping rooms, please keep in mind that there may be occasions when shared, same gender bathrooms are necessary (i.e. suite style housing or communal bathrooms in some retreat centers). Pocono Manor, one DENA location, is the only site that offers hotel-like amenities.

Please keep noise to a minimum and be respectful of others, especially at night and after socials. Loud noise may disturb others who might be reading for class, enjoying quiet time or sleeping.

TRAVEL TO AND FROM MANHATTAN COLLEGE, LEWIS UNIVERSITY OR SAINT JOSEPH'S CAMP

Prior to each District and Regional session, participants will receive a mailing that includes program and logistical information regarding each session. This summer's mailing will include detailed information to assist with planning travel to Manhattan College (DENA), Lewis University (Midwest) and Saint Joseph's Camp (SFNO).

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS CONFERENCE POLICIES

Travel

All travel arrangements and costs, including airfare, train, bus and/or other ground transportation costs, are the responsibility of the participant.

Photography/Video

By attending the Johnston Institute and its events, participants understand that their image may be captured by Christian Brothers Conference and may be used without compensation in photographs, video, motion pictures or any other recordings or other record of this event that contains the image for any purpose, including for future advertising for the program.

Registration Cancellation

No participant is registered until Christian Brothers Conference has received an online registration form and full payment.

CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY: Christian Brothers Conference will grant refunds for registration cancellations received before Friday, May 31, 2019, less a \$25.00 administrative fee and a credit card processing fee. No refunds will be granted after May 31, 2019. Cancellation notices must be in writing and sent to Katie Christensen (kchristensen@cbconf.org). Refunds for incorrect or duplicate registrations will be granted, less a \$25.00 administrative fee and a credit card processing fee. All refunds will be in the form of a check. Checks will be mailed within three weeks of receipt of the written request.

QUESTIONS

The Johnston Institute is a program of the Office for Lasallian Education at Christian Brothers Conference and we are happy to help you prepare for this experience. If you have questions regarding this information or any other aspect of the Johnston Institute, please feel free to contact Sarah Laitinen, Director of Lasallian Programs (slaitinen@cbconf.org) or Katie Christensen, Event Planner (kchristensen@cbconf.org) at (202) 529-0047.
