COPTIC ORTHODOX PATRIARCHATE OF ALEXANDRIA THE CHURCH OF THE VIRGIN MARY AND ST. ATHANASIUS

"Let the children come to me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of heaven" Matthew 19:14

Our Fathers the Priests, our Brothers and Sisters the Sunday School Servants,

The church of the Virgin Mary and St. Athanasius in Mississauga is pleased to host the

24th Canadian Coptic Children Convention (C.C.C.C.)

August 12-14, 2016 Sheridan College, Trafalgar Campus, Oakville

BE SMART, BE COOL... FOLLOW THE GOLDEN RULE

We invite you to use the *posted material* as well as your resources to ensure maximum participation and benefit for your children.

This year's study material consists of:

Bible Study: The Epistle of St. James, the Book of Ruth, the Book of Nehemiah (chapter 1-6)

Church Study: Monasticism

(St. Anthony the Great, St. Macarius the Great and St. Pachomius)

Coptic Study: The hymn of come all you nation "Zevte Pendees" (to be recited orally, no written test)

Memorization: Gospel Vesper prayer Luke 4:38-41, Gospel Compline prayer Luke 2:25-32 and Matthew 7:1-12

There will be simple quizzes and rewards, at different levels, to encourage learning and participation by all children.

You will also need to work with your children to prepare for:

- 1- Sports Activities: Basketball, volleyball and soccer.
- 2- Church Presentations: 15 minutes maximum for a play, a hymn, etc., by each Church. There will be awards for the top three (3) Churches. Judging criteria to be posted.

We are counting on your support to *encourage early registration by both servants and children*. This year registration is online and the site will be closed by the end of the day **July 31**st **2016**. Your prompt attention to this matter will be the best help you can offer to the organizers.

We would like to draw your attention as well to enforce the proper dress code among servants and children during the Convention. We want to maintain the Christian standard of dressing at all times.

May the Lord use this Convention for the Glory of His Name. Yours in the Lord.

The Convention Committee on May 2016