Chicago Area Mensa
HalloweeM 2026 Regional Gathering

Unaccompanied Minors Policy / Permission

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

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

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

The hotel where HalloweeM is to be held also imposes conditions on unaccompanied minors. Children must keep to the HalloweeM 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 HalloweeM'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 and/or authorities will be contacted. Additionally, any behaviors that would cause either HalloweeM 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.

_____ _____
Printed Unaccompanied Minor's Name(s)

_____ _____
Parent Signature(s)

_____ _____
Printed Parent's Name(s)

_____, 2026 _____
Date Parent's Cell Phone Number