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Thousands of Hispanics to attend third annual conference

Thousands of Hispanics young and old are preparing to attend the third annual Hispanic Family Conference at the Beaumont Civic Center, 701 Main St., April 2 sponsored by the Diocese of Beaumont's Hispanic Ministry.

Jesus Abrego, director of Hispanic Ministry, said that the conference will be a major help to families in Southeast Texas.

"This is an opportunity to encourage our young people to go to college and to talk to them about the importance of getting involved in the community. For the adults it's an opportunity to give them the tools to raise their children in a different culture," Abrego said.

But the event isn't just for adults and teenagers. Kids will have their own opportunity to have fun. Every age group will be involved in activities. Babysitting will be available for infants to 4-year-olds, and 5-year-olds will head to the Beaumont Public Library and the Art Museum of Southeast Texas for crafts.

Older youth will take part in other workshops and presentations and listen to renowned youth speakers. Representatives from Lamar University will be on hand for this group as well.

The conference is free of charge and begins at 8 a.m. Following the conference, attendees will celebrate Mass with Bishop Curtis Guillory, SVD, at 4:30 p.m. in the Civic Center.

Registration is available by phone. Get more details or register by calling Jesús Abrego at (409) 924-4331 or Fatima Burgueño at (409) 924-4338.