

Youth Ministry Event Guidelines

First Baptist Church Lake Jackson, TX

DRESS CODE FOR ANY YOUTH MINISTRY SPONSORED ACTIVITY:

1. All shorts worn should be modest. An absolute minimum of a four (4) inch inseam will be enforced. Sponsors reserve right to instruct students to change using their judgment even if the inseam meets this inseam requirement.
2. All shirts worn should be modest.
Females - no spaghetti straps or tank tops. Sleeveless shirts are permissible. No cut-off shirts or halter tops. No shirts that expose any of the stomach area.
Males – no tank tops or cut-off shirts.
3. No clothing that is sexually suggestive or spiritually degrading will be allowed for any student. This includes slogans, questionable sayings, and questionable designs. Non-Christian concert t-shirts are discouraged. Shirts should be worn on all occasions except at water activities, when it will be up to each individual young man. No see-through clothing is allowed.
4. At any swimming and/or beach activity, no two-piece swimming suits, tankinis or bare midriffs for the females and no Speedos or tight trunks. Cover-ups must be worn over swimsuits when going to and from swim areas.
5. Females should plan ahead to wear a one-piece swimsuit. Wearing a t-shirt over inappropriate swimwear as an alternative is not allowed. However, in unforeseen circumstances, a youth worker or minister has the right to ask a student to wear a t-shirt over inappropriate swimwear if no other swimwear is available.
6. Hair, clothing, tattoos, ear and body piercing should not distract others at any activity.
7. For safety reasons there may be occasional times that all jewelry is prohibited.

EVENT AND TRIP CONDUCT GUIDELINES

1. Everyone is expected to observe the highest standards of Christian conduct at all times
2. No girls are allowed in guys' room or guys allowed in girls' rooms in any type of lodging with rooms.
3. For safety, a sponsor must always know where you are. Use the "buddy system". Never go anywhere by yourself. You must stay, as a minimum, in pairs. Only swim when and where our sponsors are present. Also, be very cautious around traffic and crossing streets.
4. No one is to leave his or her room/gym after the published or stated "Lights Out" unless there is an emergency, and then a sponsor must be notified.
5. No hazing of any kind. No shaving cream, food, water fights, raids, or rough play in the buildings. The student and/or guardian are financially responsible for any and all damage to property incurred from hazing or horseplay.
6. Items that should never be brought on a youth ministry trip or event:
Drugs, alcohol, fireworks, tobacco, laser pens, cell phones (unless pre-arranged with the student's parents), weapons, knives, secular magazines, secular books, electronic devices such as walkman, radio, jam boxes, mini players, headphones, video games, items to be used for hazing. Any exceptions to this list will be announced via specific event guidelines or announcements. The youth minister and/or youth worker reserves the right to inspect bags and luggage upon suspicion that a student possesses any of the aforementioned contraband.
7. No display of affection (PDA). No kissing or caressing. Holding hands between female and male students is permissible only to the point it does not alienate, exclude, and/or distract the couple or other students. During bus rides after the sun goes down, males will be on one side of the bus and females on the other. No males and females are allowed to ride beside one another after dark. No girls in guys' laps and vice versa at any time.