

## Taylor St. Youth Group Behavioral Policy

**Introduction:** It is my philosophy that young people learn what God expects from them by what the adults in their lives expect from them. Time and time again in scripture God asks for our obedience. Jesus goes so far as to say, "If you love me, you will obey my commands." Learning obedience for proper human authority acts as "training wheels" for learning to obey Spiritual authority that we cannot visibly see or audibly hear. So, obedience is a SPIRITUAL issue.

Obedience is also a practical concern because it is a necessary component for ensuring the physical and emotional safety of all Youth Group Participants. It is also of utmost importance to maintain an orderly environment, particularly in Bible class and while on trips. Obedience is a vital component in order to meet these two goals. Safety and Order are impossible without obedience.

**Objective:** To enact a behavioral policy that fosters spiritual growth and helps to ensure both the overall safety of youth group participants and to maintain an orderly environment.

- 1) Youth Group Participants should strive to maintain Christ-like attitudes, actions, and words.
- 2) Youth Group Participants should promptly comply with ALL requests of ALL Sponsors/Staff/Chaperones. Unless the request is immoral, illegal, or inherently unsafe; complete and prompt compliance is expected at all times without argument or delay. Delayed obedience will be treated as disobedience.
- 3) As young adults, Youth Group Participants are expected to maintain proper social decorum. This includes demonstrating appropriate social skills and refraining from ill-mannered and rude behaviors.
- 4) Youth Group Participants are expected to participate in Bible class discussions, follow along in their Bibles and generally give the study of God's word its appropriate attention. Sleeping, chatting, texting, habitual trips out of the classroom and similar activities are generally unacceptable during Bible class.

**Recourse:** In the case of failure to uphold these ideals on behalf of Youth Group Participants the following actions will be taken:

- 1) One request and one warning shall be given.
- 2) If the Youth Group Participant remains in violation or proceeds to engage in a disruptive argument, they shall be immediately removed from the situation.
- 3) Parents/Guardians will be promptly notified and will be expected to pick up the Youth Group Participant, regardless of the location of the youth event.
- 4) In the case of removal from a Youth Group Activity, the elder of the month will be notified of the situation by the Youth Minister and the elder will "follow up" with the Youth Group Participant, their family, and the involved Sponsor/Staff/Chaperone.

### Additional Policies:

- 1) Guests will not be invited on overnight outings (other than LCU camps). To qualify as a non-guest a youth must be in attendance at least 4 Taylor St. meetings (i.e. Wednesday Class, Sunday Class, or Youth LifeGroup).
- 2) All volunteer sponsors must be deemed to be of an appropriate age and must demonstrate a Christ-centered maturity and reputation and comply with any background cgecj policies set forth by the Taylor St. Elders.
- 3) Students will not be allowed to leave any youth event early without parental permission nor can they leave an event with any individual that did not transport them to the event without parental permission.
- 4) The Peanut Policy must be adhered to at all times on all youth activities regardless of location or participants.

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Student Signature

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Parent Signature

**Winterfest Requirements 2019**

I understand that in order to participate in Winterfest that I must meet the following requirements:

- 1) I must be in attendance at one weekly youth group event (Wednesday Teen Bible Class, Sunday Morning Bible Class, Youth LG) at least 75% of all meetings. Attendance requires more than my mere presence. I am accountable to be participatory and helpful to the goals of the meeting.
- 2) I must be in attendance at a second weekly youth group event (Wednesday Teen Bible Class, Sunday Morning Bible Class, Youth LG) at least 50% of all meetings. Attendance requires more than my mere presence. I am accountable to be participatory and helpful to the goals of the meeting.
- 3) I must also complete an approved Bible reading plan and associated writing assignment.

I, the undersigned, commit to completing the attendance requirements. I also intend to complete the service requirement:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Emergency Medical Authorization

YOUNG PERSON'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

IN THE EVENT I CANNOT BE REACHED TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE, I HEREBY AUTHORIZE LANCE HAVENS OR ANY OTHER YOUTH GROUP SPONSOR OF TAYLOR ST. CHURCH OF CHRIST TO GIVE CONSENT FOR ANY NECESSARY EMERGENCY CARE FOR MY CHILD WHEN THE CHILD IS IN THIS INDIVIDUAL'S CARE.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE OF PARENT OF GUARDIAN:

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

Young Person's Blood Type (if known): \_\_\_\_\_

Medical Problems: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies (List of Medicines or other things.): \_\_\_\_\_

PERSONS TO BE CALLED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

\_\_\_\_\_  
NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE

\_\_\_\_\_  
NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE

## RELEASE AND PERMISSION FOR TRANSPORTATION

I/We the undersigned have legal custody of the student named above, a minor, and have given our consent for him/her to attend events being organized by Taylor Street Church of Christ. Taylor St. Church of Christ has my permission to transport my child on planned local trips away from the Taylor St. facility and on out of town trips. I/We understand that there are inherent risks involved in any ministry or athletic event, and I/we hereby release Taylor Street Church of Christ, its preachers, ministers, elders, employees, agents, and volunteer workers from any and all liability for any injury, loss, or damage to person or property that may occur during the course of my/our child's involvement, whether during transportation or otherwise. I/we also agree to bring my/our child home at my/our own expense should they become ill or if deemed necessary by the Lance Havens or other Youth Group Sponsor of Taylor Street Church of Christ.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

## Permission for Publishing Pictures

I am aware that my child may be photographed or video taped while attending youth ministry activities of Taylor Street Church of Christ.

I give permission for any photographs or videotapes including my child to be published in Taylor St. Church of Christ publications such as the weekly bulletin, Taylor St Websites, FaceBook, and Video presentations.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT'S SIGNATURE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

Both Sides Must be completed

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I hereby give permission to any hospital to render the treatment necessary in case of emergency for

(Child's Name) \_\_\_\_\_, the son, daughter, ward of  
(Parent/Guardian's Name) \_\_\_\_\_ from (City/State) \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_. We the  
parents/guardians signed below will be responsible for payment of medical services provided to the  
child mentioned above and I/We also acknowledge that we will be ultimately responsible for the cost of  
any medical care should the cost of that medical care not be reimbursed by the health insurance  
provider.

Our Insurance is with \_\_\_\_\_

The Policy number is \_\_\_\_\_

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Guardian or Parent

Address, City, State, Zip

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Business \_\_\_\_\_

SSN of Parent \_\_\_\_\_

SSN of Child \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate of Child \_\_\_\_\_

(The above information is what the Hospital will ask for if we need to get them treated.)