

# youth center f.a.q.

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## **PURPOSE of YOUTH CENTER**

To establish relationships with the teens.

Youth center volunteers are expected to relate to the young people in a friendly way, exemplifying a life of following Jesus. Volunteers are not expected to be teachers, but may be called upon to 'teach' in informal ways. We simply want to kids to have fun. The end result is that as the teens feel safe and loved, they will be more willing to take the next step and join a small group Bible study.

## **CAPACITY of YOUTH CENTER**

At some point you may need to cut off the number of teens in the youth center. We will leave this up to you to determine a level at which you can feel there is an appropriate level of safety. This level of safety should be determined by (1) building capacity (2) number of volunteers present (3) 'character' of teens present and (4) overall feel of the situation.

## **SCOPE of the YOUTH CENTER**

The youth center consists of the following areas. (1) downstairs main room (2) kitchen and living room of second floor. Teens are not allowed on the upper two levels. They may only use the bathroom on the ground floor.

## **SIGN-IN POLICY**

All teens must sign-in and sign out. If teens abuse this policy (i.e. signing in and out repeatedly) you may need to ask the teen to leave.

## **MUSIC & MEDIA**

Music is allowed in the youth center. Both Christian and secular music is appropriate as long as it meets a 'biblical level' of morality. This level is determined by the volunteers present. The same is true for movies. Do not rely on the ratings given by the movie industry. Make a judgment based on what you can ascertain at the moment.

## **DISCIPLINE ISSUES**

Though we do not expect many of these issues to come up, from time to time, a teen may get out of hand. Simply ask them to leave. If there is a further problem, contact Pastor Phil, who should be available (at home) during most youth center times.

The overall point is to establish trusting relationships so they will feel comfortable to ask questions of a spiritual nature.