

## ***TEEN WORKERS' CONDUCT POLICIES***

**Regarding personal conduct with students, especially those of the opposite sex, all workers should take the following precautions:**

1. Extreme caution and discretion should be used at all times in conducting ourselves with the teenagers.
  2. A teen worker should never touch a teen of the opposite sex. It is imperative to avoid all appearance of evil and any cause for accusation.
  3. A teen worker should never be alone in a house/room/secluded area/car with a teenager of the opposite sex.
  4. Inappropriate gestures, comments, or suggestive behavior should never occur and will be cause for dismissal from youth work.
  5. Men do not counsel girls and ladies do not counsel boys. If a teen of the opposite sex comes to you for counsel, please make the youth pastor aware of it. Ladies, deal with girls' problems and men deal with boys' problems.
  6. When making a visit, if the parents are not home make the visit brief and stay outside. Do not go in the house when parents are not home.
  7. Be interested in the parents when you are visiting. Don't seem as though you are only interested in the teen. This may seem suspicious to some people.
  8. In the joking, playing, and activities, always maintain a distance and propriety with the teens of the opposite sex.
  9. Make it a personal policy to reach out primarily to those of the same sex. This is why we have both men and ladies working with youth. Never have a certain girl or boy to whom you appear to be closer.
  10. Conduct that does not follow these policies will be cause for removal from the youth ministry.
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