



Bridges Youth Ministry  
Guidelines & Expectations

Guidelines

Adventures in Travel

Getting to go away with the students is something that we look forward to each year. Providing the students with uninterrupted time away from the everyday distractions and creating a focused time with the Lord and their friends is the primary purpose of our trips. It is also a great opportunity for us to get to know the students better. For this reason we ask that students leave their electronics, such as ipods, cd player, dvds, or laptops, at home.

The Love Connection

When it comes to teenagers, love is always in the air! Part of maturity is learning how to deal with the opposite sex. Within HSM and MSM, we try to create an environment where students can pursue healthy and God centered friendships. Romantic relationships are bound to occur and are not without expectations. Both HSM and MSM have a no PDA policy (Public Displays of Affection). This includes, but is not limited to handholding, extended hugs, lying or sitting on top of each other, and no smooching.

Driving Miss Daisy

Many of our events involve an off campus component. We also use church approved drivers whenever we take your students off campus. We will never ask students to drive themselves or other students at an HSM or MSM sponsored event.

Modest is Hottest

Clothing is a big part of self expression for teenagers. We ask that students always dress with the phrase, "modest if hottest" in mind. For events when a certain dress code is expected, HSM and MSM will make sure to communicate the expected dress code ahead of time.

Expectations

What Parents Can Expect for Us

- Clear communication
- We will always strive for excellence
- We are not perfect
- We are committed to the Word of God
- We desire to partner with families
- We are always praying and looking for mature, godly leaders

What We Expect from Parents

- Your prayers
- Grace and understanding
- Your parental eyes
- Your help
- Your input
- realistic expectations on our volunteer leaders