



Texas YG Parent Code of Conduct

Because your children are participants in a Y-sponsored program and thereby aligned with the basic purpose and core values of the Y, we also expect you, Texas YG parents, to adhere to these core values of respect, responsibility, caring, and honesty. Please read and commit to the related guidelines below. Thank you!

I will conduct myself at all times in a way that reflects good conduct and a sense of responsibility, remembering the core Y values of respect, responsibility, caring, and honesty.

I agree to follow Y guidelines and direction from Y Staff on when and where I can take photos of or film my child's Texas YG experience. I understand that the Y may deem photography and filming disruptive at any time and that I may be asked to stop these activities. If this occurs, I will comply.

I agree not to take or post photos of children other than my own. The Y reserves the right to ask any adult to delete photos and/or film of minors in the interest of protecting students' privacy.

I agree not to discipline a child who is not my own. If I am concerned about a student's behavior, I will seek out appropriate Y staff or volunteers. At State Conferences, I will begin by approaching the concerns point person for the student's Section.

Any form of physical or verbal abuse or intimidation toward a student or another adult will not be tolerated and may result in my removal from Texas YG activities.

The use and/or possession of alcohol, firearms, tobacco, and/or illegal drugs at any Y event is against all standards implied in our principles and is prohibited. Therefore, I agree not to bring, obtain, possess, or use these substances/devices en-route to, during, or returning home from any Texas YG club meeting or event.

I agree to help all delegates feel welcome regardless of their race, gender, religion, national origin, disability, and other identity characteristics. I will protect all delegates' rights to full participation.

I agree not to coach or consult with my child during a Texas YG training, conference, or other event. Such activities hinder the program's intent to be youth-led and youth-driven. Students are learning independence so that they may ready themselves for college and the workplace.

I will be present and punctual at Texas YG parent meetings/events as necessary. I will clear and document any exceptions with my student's Advisor, Y Staff, and/or District Director in advance.

I will demonstrate utmost respect for Y staff, Texas YG volunteers, and the facilities Texas YG uses for our program.

I will abide by the set dress codes for any Texas YG meetings/events/conferences.



TEXAS YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT

If I attend State Conference(s), I will read and abide by the Pre-Conference Handbook and Delegate Handbook.

I agree not to meet one-on-one with any child. I will maintain minimum ratios of two adults with one child or two children with one adult. We understand you may want to spend time with your child. However, from a distance, Y staff and other Texas YG adult participants cannot determine whether or not you are with your own child. If you are approached about your interaction with a child, we ask for your understanding and cooperation. At our conferences, an adult cannot enter a student's hotel room by himself or herself. Adults must be accompanied by another authorized adult in order to go in to a student room they need to enter. We ask you to help us follow these policies for the good and safety of our students and the necessity of compliance with Y regulations.

I understand that any violation of the above can result in my removal from Texas YG club meetings or events.