

Landmark Baptist Church
Youth Ministries
Comportment Guidelines

Landmark Baptist Church is very pleased of our young people, and we look forward to many of them giving their lives to full-time Christian service. In order to give our youth a Christian environment, we have adopted a few guidelines that we will enforce on all youth activities. Although these guidelines do not make a person any more Christian, they do create an atmosphere of belonging to a group that calls itself Christian. We want to produce some fine young people through our youth ministries; so let's take the steps necessary to get the desired result. All activities have the young people's best interests in mind. Often people will say, "We do not need to have rules on our activities;" but, I say we do, because we are a direct reflection on our Lord and on Landmark Baptist Church. Therefore, the LBC youth group has adopted the following guidelines while participating in youth fellowships with one another and other churches.

1. At any time, cell phones and all other forms of media may be taken by the youth director or chaperones at their discretion. *No head phones are allowed.* All music LBC youth will listen to, as we travel or in the hotel, will be wholesome Christian music as approved by the Youth Director.
2. No shirts will be worn that have any rock-n-roll stars, movie stars, or anything that would be questionable in content or writing. If you think it may be questionable, do not bring it!
3. All young ladies will wear modest (modest means: not tight, knee-length at least, and not see-through) skirts, dresses, or approved culottes with a modest shirt. Jewelry and make-up will be in moderation (not too much). Only one earring is allowed per ear, and no other piercings are allowed. No gauges, spacers, bars, spikes, chains or any other questionable items may be worn. Any tattoos will stay hidden the entire trip. **The dress for all night services will be Sunday-morning-type clothing**, unless otherwise noted. Common sense and modesty should prevail. For any additional question on ladies dress, please see the ladies dress policies.
4. All young men will wear casual pants or knee-length shorts on all activities. Men will have neat haircuts. Hair can't touch the ears, eyebrows, or collar. No facial hair is allowed. No earrings, necklaces, or bracelets will be allowed. Any tattoos will stay hidden the entire trip. Sweatpants or knee-length shorts and a tee-shirt should be worn to bed. **Dress pants and shirt with a tie should be worn to all night services**, unless otherwise noted. A suit jacket is optional.
5. All young people must have an updated Permission Form signed by their parents for all trips.
6. If at any time a young person becomes unruly or rebellious, their parents will be called and asked to fix the problem. If the problem is not fixed, the youth director will then have to decide a punishment. One way this is done, is by limiting the "fun" activities that they are apart of.
7. There will be absolutely no physical contact between any youth of the opposite sexes. Girls and boys will sit separately. Failure to abide by this rule may prohibit that young person from attending any future trips.
8. All LBC youth will sit together (in the same area) and participate as a group. No one will be allowed to sit with another youth group during the meetings. Remember: There is safety in numbers; plan to stay together as assigned at all times.
9. The chaperones will have final authority in all matters. Failure to abide by the rules of the chaperone may prohibit that young person from attending any future trips. Parents, please support the authority.
10. Please pack as lightly as you can; however, make sure you bring everything that you will need for a trip. Consider the weather when packing. A small blanket and small pillow for the ride would be great for naps. Label all items. Do not forget to bring your Bible. Bring extra spending money for all trips.
11. Roll call or a head-count will take place before each departure.
12. As established by Pastor Barlament, the Youth Director is in full authority of the youth ministries. The definitions of modest, moderate, rebellious, physical contact, and any other subjective terms are at the discretion of the Youth Director.

Again, many may not understand the reasons for all of the above guidelines; but, if you will trust the leadership, what you and your young person will find is a safe, fun, and memorable experience. Please be in prayer for safety when we travel, and that God will move in the hearts of our youth and that life-long decisions for good and for God will be made.