

*It is the responsibility of the main youth group leader to read through these DISTRICTS Youth Conference guidelines and communicate them to all of their adult leaders that will attend, so they clearly understand the expectations of the Forest Lakes DISTRICTS Youth Conference and our desire to protect all attendees.*

1. Name Tags are mandatory for all attending the conference. This is for security purposes. They must be visible at all times around the neck.
2. No adults are allowed to sleep in a bed with a student in any hotel rooms. We allow no fewer than three people staying in each room for safety purposes.
3. Maintaining a Rule of three is important all weekend - No adults are to be alone with students in a hotel room.
4. If a child becomes ill and has a temperature, please isolate them from the other students and make sure to arrange pickup with their parents from the conference.
5. We recommend that all students and adults change clothes alone privately in the bathroom of their hotel room.
6. There will be Mandatory National Background check done every three years on all adult leaders from youth groups and all DYC staff and talent.
7. We will continue to enforce a "NO PDA" guideline for all attendees. No public displays of affection beyond greeting or a brief hug should be allowed during the weekend between individuals.
8. The KI Convention Center has Men's and Women's restrooms available at multiple locations, on multiple levels. The DISTRICTS Youth Conference Board has established that all our students and adults will use the restroom of their biological birth gender. If you have students that are struggling in or questioning their gender identity, the KI Convention Center has single person restrooms on the first & second floor we reserve for such individuals to feel safe.
9. It is the responsibility of the Adult Leaders in each youth group to know where your students are and to make sure they are following the rules and in hotel rooms at curfew. It is NOT the responsibility of the DISTRICTS Conference event staff to babysit your students! Please make sure your leaders are leading your students well!
10. If you have students wanting to attend, who identify as transgender or who are same sex attracted, we want them to feel welcome to come. However, it is your responsibility as their youth leader to communicate with them, their parents, and your leaders ahead of time regarding the expectations stated above. Further, any student struggling in this way will be asked to sleep in a single bed and/or in a single sleeping bag on the floor.
11. If you have any further questions, upon request, we make available a document further clarifying our biblical and theological posture on relational issues surrounding the DISTRICTS Youth Conference.