

Small Group Leader Info & Guidelines

Thank you for stepping up to serve at 180 WKND! We are believing and trusting that great things will happen in the lives of our 6th – 12th graders over these 3 days and the Lord has something planned for you too! Thanks for your investment in your Small Group.

Your Goal:

There are 3 main goals as you lead at 180 WKND:

1. Lead the students in your group to pursue Jesus in a captivating way.
2. Be a Godly role model for students in your attitude, behavior, speech and obedience.
3. Help the whole by managing your group through sitting with them in sessions, staying present with them, etc. We ask that you always be where your students are.

Pro-Tips:

Ministry most effectively happens one-on-one. These moments will occur when you're walking to a breakout, students are sitting by themselves during a snack break, or you're waiting in line together for lunch. It's the unstructured times of the schedule that your students' "walls" may be lower and are looking for conversation. Don't miss these moments!

Small Group Time:

- Your Small Group will have an assigned meeting location, please meet in this location for each of your Small Group times.
- At your first small group time on Friday evening, it will be best to set guidelines, expectations and ground rules. This should feel like a conversation and not a lecture.

Below are the items that we'd like you to cover:

- *Cell Phones* – During small group time let's put away our phones. Everyone putting their phone on silent out of reach will help tremendously.
- *Confidentiality* – What is said in the group stays in the group.
- *Listen* – Let's value one another during the discussions by really listening to what is being shared. Try to avoid thinking about how you are going to respond, or what you are going to say next.
- *Participation* – Encourage student to make an effort to speak up at small group time with thoughtful comments.

Main Sessions:

- We want Small Groups (*including you*) to sit together during each session & breakout.
- Help by not allowing cell phones to be a distraction. Ask your group when heading into worship to put their cell phone away, maybe in their purse or bookbag and only use if/when prompted.

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