

MENTOR CONSENT FORM

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CTK Skagit Youth Leaders must obtain verbal, digital, or written permission prior to transportation or one-on-one meetings with a student, even with mentor consent.

I, _____, give permission for the following approved CTK Skagit Youth

Leaders _____

to mentor my child/children _____

By signing, I state that I have read and approve of CTK Skagit Youth's conduct policy (see Youth Leader Handbook) as it relates to leader/student interaction while at programmed events and in one-on-one settings. I recognize that this contract is valid indefinitely or until a parent/guardian contacts the Youth Pastor to withdraw consent.

Student Name: _____ Student Signature (18+): _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please complete this form (or fill-out online) and give it to the Youth Pastor

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CTK SKAGIT YOUTH CONDUCT POLICY

GROUP SETTINGS

- Two Adults: we commit to having two trained adults present during all program activities, small groups, or informal group hangouts. We do our best to ensure at least one female leader is there when female students are present, and one male leader is there when male students are present.
- Physical Contact: our leaders recognize the tension between feeling like a family and maintaining safety standards. We use blameless discretion and allow students to determine their level of comfort during hugs and other physical contact. We commit to a blameless practice of interacting with our students: meaning remaining innocent of any wrongdoing or inappropriate behavior.

ONE-ON-ONE

- Public Meetings: we recognize the value of one-on-one meetings between students and leaders. While upholding student confidentiality if needed, we commit to meeting with students in public, open spaces with other adults nearby. We avoid meeting with students in closed rooms or in a space that is out of sight or exceptionally private. We avoid meeting with students late at night unless the situation is an emergency.
- Confidentiality: since we are committed to the safety of our students and maintaining mandatory reporting standards, we never promise complete confidentiality to students (see Reporting). In the event of abuse or another situation that endangers the emotional, physical, or sexual health of a student, we commit to action steps that keep the best interest of the student in mind.
- Transportation: leaders who have completed a Driver & Vehicle Form may give rides to two or more students at a time with written or verbal consent from a parent/guardian. A leader may drive alone with a student only if they have a Mentoring Contract (see Resources) with the students' parent(s)/guardian(s).
- Texting/Phone Calls: we seek to maintain blameless interactions with students through texting, social messaging, and phone calls. We do our best to create group messages, include other leaders in the communication, and avoid extended or late-night communication

MENTORING CONTRACTS

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- Mentoring contacts can be found in this directory and in the resource section of CTK Youth's web page (www.ctksagit.net/youth).