



# Tri-City Home Educators Member Guidelines

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## Focus & Focus Jr. Group Guidelines

Teen Focus activities are for teenagers 13 years of age and older. Focus Jr. is for children ages 10-13. (Parents may choose which age group is appropriate for their 13 year-olds.)

All dress is to be clean, neat and modest. Please be sure your clothing is appropriate for the activity. Shoes should also be sturdy enough for the activity.

No profanity, alcohol, or offensive language, dress or conduct will be allowed.

In an attempt to minimize offending other Christian families and to encourage the fellowship among students, the following are not allowed at any Focus activity: movies or video games (The purpose of Focus is to create and strengthen friendships), secular music, and mixed-gender swimming. Likewise, no Focus event may be centered around any holiday theme or any private birthday party. (Cake and song are acceptable, but no gifts.)

All host families will be volunteers, with students to bring any needed refreshments. *(At the discretion of the host family, the hosts may provide refreshments or meal if desired.)*

All students are responsible for their own transportation both to and from events. Students are also responsible for returning home after the event is finished and if not returning home immediately, are personally responsible for obtaining permission from their parents to go elsewhere. Parents are encouraged to attend the FOCUS events as desired.

Students are required to be in a group setting at all times. *(No private getaways from the group.)*

While at any Focus or Focus, Jr. event, students must remain with the group. IF it becomes absolutely necessary for a student to leave the group while on a trip, the student should advise the group leader of the need. Students are encouraged to use the “buddy system” when real need to leave the group setting occurs. *(i.e., restroom trips, etc)*

When in doubt as to the appropriate nature of an event or activity, the FOCUS coordinator may confer with the group leaders and the joint decision of all is final.