



PRACTICAL TIPS: Working with Youth

Incorporating youth programs into your organization's activities is a great way to reach out to the community, but also a great way to earn the trust of the youth. When working with youth, here are a few things to keep in mind;

- ◆ Any child under the age of **18** is considered a youth or a minor.
- ◆ When working with youth, use the **Two Adult Rule**: Whenever youth are present, two unrelated adults should be present at all times and never engage in one-on-one activities.
- ◆ Have both male and female chaperones present when working with a group that has both male and female youth. If the group of youth are either all female or all male, the chaperones should be of the same gender.
- ◆ Kids will be kids and accidents will happen. Be prepared for minor cuts, bumps, and bruises with standard First Aid procedures. For more serious injuries, be sure to notify the legal guardian immediately as well as taking the appropriate first aid treatment.

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