Youth/Young Adult Participant Agreements for Safe & Healthy Community Events



At FosterClub, we believe that what we do and how we are as individuals affects the communities we are a part of. It is all of our responsibility to care well for ourselves and for others when attending an event together. None of these agreements are because you're not trusted or capable, but because they help all of us be and feel safe and well when together. Please indicate that you are committed to each of the following while participating in the FosterClub event you have registered for.

Commitment to Participation

I want to go to this event and want to get something out of it, so I'll put sincere effort into connecting with others, sharing my own experience, and challenging myself to go at least a little outside of my comfort zone.

I will attend all parts of the planned program. I will inform my ILP representative if I am not feeling well, need space or need medical attention and cannot attend the scheduled activity.

1. I will stay for the entire duration of the event unless given permission by the ILP representative.

I will observe established quiet and program hours and be in the designated areas unless I have permission from my ILP representative or activity leader.

I understand that there will be areas where I may not be allowed to go and will respect that.

I will refrain from using my cell phone and/or other electronic devices during a presentation, workshop or other event activities.

Commitment to Respect

3.

I will treat others with kindness and their things with respect.

I will be kind to others even if I don't like them, don't think they like me or feel some type of way about them. I will not bully, harass, threaten, steal or otherwise harm others.

I will use and treat furnishings, furniture, equipment, etc. with respect. I know that I am responsible for any damage.

2. If I experience or witness these kinds of behaviors, I'll alert a trusted peer leader (AllStars), FosterClub staff or ILP representative.

I will dress in casual, clean attire unless otherwise required by activities (ie. business casual at a particular session like a career fair or swimsuit suit when swimming).

My clothing will be without offensive language or designs.

I'll be mindful of clothing that is tight-fit or revealing that can negatively impact group spaces with diverse attendees and will commit to dressing with this in mind.

Commitment to Behavior that Promotes Wellness

I will not bring or use alcohol, drugs (except those prescribed by my doctor), fireworks, firearms, pocket knives, or weapons of any kind. This includes refraining from legal drugs even for those that are of age - ie. no cigarettes, marijuana or vaping during the event and on the event site.

I will refrain from kissing and other displays of personal affection which can be distracting from the group and event purpose.

I will turn in my medication to the nurse on site regardless of my age.

I will take responsibility for my own wellness and self-care and work/communicate with my ILP representative, peer leaders and staff to tend to any needs that come up.

Consequences for not upholding Participant Agreements may include:

- FC staff or ILP representative will intervene, sharing both what the mistake is and dialogue about what you can do to make it right.
- 2. You will have a follow-up discussion with your ILP representative or Caseworker.
- 3. You will be dismissed and sent home at the ILP program or ODHS expense.

My Rights

Foster Youth Bill of Rights:

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To have what every young person needs:

Nutritious food that meets my dietary needs

To be safe:

- To be treated with respect
- To be protected from physical, mental, emotional and sexual abuse

To be healthy:

• To see a nurse if I am sick and request medical attention

To learn:

- To be provided with age-appropriate educational opportunities to prepare me for adult life
- To have the opportunity to participate in activities that interest me

To be in a place that meets my needs:

- To have a curfew and retreat rules that are clear and fair and to have them explained to me from the beginning
- To have space for coping, processing and regulating myself

To make decisions for myself:

- To receive respect
- To determine and express my gender and sexual identity for myself

To be informed:

- About where I can go for help
- About what expectations are
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- About what expectations are for adults there to support me

Signature:	Date:

I understand the agreements and consequences outlined above and commit to honor them.