



Texas Lions MD-2 Opportunities for Youth Contests Chaperone Guidelines

As chaperon, your specific duties may vary, but here are some guidelines in supervising your students. As chaperon, you are legally responsible for the students. You will be contacted if your student does not adhere to the rules as outlined in the Texas Lions MD-2 Opportunities for Youth contestant Code of Conduct.

- Be sure they arrive in Houston, Friday May 18, 2012 unless a waiver has been previously granted by the MD-2 contest Chairperson or Coordinator.
- Be sure your name, cell phone number, hotel and room number (if known) are given to the State Opportunities for Youth Contest Chair upon registration at the Hotel. This information also should be written on the back of the student's name badge. Students are required to wear their badge at all times when outside their hotel room.
- Likewise, be sure your students know your hotel phone number and room number, and at least a partial itinerary of your schedule, so that you can be found easily in an emergency
- Give them your cell phone number and get their cell phone number as well.
- Set up a schedule with your students to check with them periodically, such as meeting them at a designated spot for a few minutes during the day to make sure everything is going okay. At night, go to their hotel room at midnight to check on them. No student is to leave their room after midnight. If not possible to go in person, phone them at this time.
- Remind your students to keep their hotel room doors locked at all times. Boys are not allowed to visit girls' rooms; girls are not allowed to visit boys' rooms. If it is necessary to make an exception, you must be present. Do not let more students stay in a room than are registered for that room.
- No alcoholic beverages or controlled substances (drugs or illegal materials) are allowed.
- Any alleged criminal offenses will be referred to the police.
- Remind your students that they represent their sponsoring Lions club and District, their school, teachers and family and that they are expected to act and dress accordingly as ladies and gentlemen. It is imperative that they be on time for every scheduled event.

Violation of any of the above guidelines could lead to the student's violations of the Contestant's code of Conduct and dismissal from the Texas Lions MD-2 Opportunities for Youth Contest. In this case, parents will be contacted and must make immediate arrangements for their student's immediate transportation home. If you have an issue that needs to be addressed, contact the State Contest Chair - Lion Jake Bentley, (806) 632-0742.

Chaperone Signature: _____ Date: _____

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THIS DUTY IS BECOMING
MORE IMPORTANT EVERY YEAR.**