

Complete Guidelines and Philosophy on Rules

Momentum 2009

General Philosophy on Rules

We do not make the guidelines a focal point of the week at Momentum. You will not hear us make a major issue of rules from the platform during sessions. Rather, youth leaders will present these guidelines to their youth groups as part of the check in process at Momentum. We expect the guidelines to be followed and enforced by all adults at the conference. All those registering for Momentum have read and signed a statement indicating their willingness to comply. The guidelines are intended to help create a wholesome atmosphere at Momentum and provide some structure for the week.

Guidelines

Attendance

It is expected that all those registered for Momentum 2009 will be in attendance during all required sessions. These sessions will be clearly marked in the daily schedule in the Momentum 2009 Magazine.

Attitudes

All participants of Momentum are expected to show appropriate respect for youth workers, adult staff, campus staff and the property of the university. A negative attitude or refusal to cooperate with the purpose of Momentum will be grounds for dismissal from the conference.

Cell Phones

Please be aware that some churches do not allow their students to bring cell phones to Momentum. If you bring one, we ask you to use it only when absolutely necessary. We will encourage youth leaders to limit the use of cell phones by their students if they determine they are a distraction to your participation in conference activities. Cell phones may not be turned on during required sessions. We are aware of the need for parents to be in touch with their teens; however, if cell phones go off during a session, students will be asked to leave their phones in their dorm room. This includes no text messaging during the Main Sessions. Cell phones are not to be in use after lights-out.

Couples at Momentum

Momentum is a great place to make and meet new friends. We want you to enjoy time with brothers and sisters in Christ. But, the purpose of Momentum is not to focus on guy-girl relationships. The purpose is to focus on Jesus and what He wants to do in our lives. We encourage you to make friends and not be exclusive.

1. Momentum is not the time or the place for displays of physical affection. While holding hands is allowed, we ask you to be sensitive to the feeling of others.
2. Guys are not allowed in girls' dorms. Girls are not allowed in guys' dorms. If the opposite sex is found in either dorm, they will be sent home immediately at their parent(s) or guardian(s)'s expense.

Dorms

For your own safety, stay in your dorm after evening check-in. Under no circumstances should you prop any dorm door open. CE National cannot be held responsible for any lost or stolen items.

Dress

When packing for Momentum, the goal is to bring modest clothes. While "modest" styles and trends vary across the country, for this week everyone is asked to cooperate with the following guides for what is termed modest at Momentum. These general guidelines are to keep us from drawing undue attention to the physical body. While the clothing items listed below may not be a modesty issue

back home, we are asking everyone to cooperate with a common denominator of modesty at Momentum.

At Momentum, modesty includes no underwear showing (guys as well as girls) and no exposed tummies or cleavage. Girls' bathing suits must be one piece, not tankinis but one complete piece with side panels. Boys must wear boxer-style swimsuits. Shirts should have straps at least 1-inch wide and shorts should be no shorter than mid-thigh. It is the responsibility of the youth pastor/youth worker to be sure that students and their parents are aware of the appropriate dress for a Christian youth conference.

Please be aware, that adult Momentum Staff may ask individuals to change their attire during the week of Momentum if the clothing does not fall into this common denominator of modesty at Momentum. This is not to embarrass or judge an individual's tastes, but to assist in maintaining the modesty standard during the week.

Going Off-Campus

1. Those going off campus must sign out at the Momentum Office. This includes Students, Fusion, Youth Workers, and Adult Guests or parents wishing to take students off campus.
2. Any student going off campus must be accompanied by a Youth Worker or Adult Guest.
3. If a youth pastor/youth worker/parent should decide to take students on a non-sanctioned outing while at Momentum, it is important to note that the outing is not covered by any insurance with Momentum or CE National. It must be covered by the individual's or home church's liability insurance.
4. Do not take rides from students or people from the community.
5. Do not order off-campus food.

Keys

There is a lost key fee charged by the University for any keys or cards that are not turned in by Sunday, July 19, at 10am. If, during the week, you are missing your key, check the Lost and Found in the Momentum Office. Lost key charges are as follows: \$30 for traditional residence hall keys; \$25 per lost key card; and \$20 per suite-style residence hall key.

Media & Technology

Do not bring Discmans, iPods, MP3 players, TVs, clock radios, tape players, DVD players, laptops, or CD players (except for NAC practice with accompaniment tapes). Momentum is to be a week away from TV, radio, and other media. Focus instead on the people and activities of the week.

Money

It is wise for teens to have no more than \$50 cash at any time. We recommend the use of Traveler's Checks that may be cashed at the Momentum Bookstore during conference. Keep your dorm room locked when you are not in your room.

Prohibited Items

Fireworks, firearms, alcohol, tobacco, pornography, illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia, gambling, and weapons of any kind are prohibited at Momentum.

Sessions

Courtesy and respect is to be shown to those who are speaking, singing, etc. Once a session has started, everyone is asked to stop visiting and refrain from distracting others. Please visit the restrooms before the start of any session. In order to minimize distractions, you will not be allowed to go in and out of any session (except for emergencies) once it has begun. To avoid disrupting the session, anyone re-entering the main sessions will have to stay at the back of the seating area for the

remainder of that session. All attendees, adults included, must turn off cell phones during main sessions to prevent disruptions.

University Property

You are financially responsible for any property damage. Any damage pre-existing in your room when you arrive must be reported on a Room Condition Report and turned in to your Youth Worker the first day so that you will not be billed at the end of the week. Water guns or balloons are restricted to outdoor use and with willing participants. If you remove a window screen there is a \$100 charge to replace the screen. Intentionally overloading an elevator will be cause for it to be shut down for the remainder of the week, with any maintenance costs becoming the responsibility of the individuals responsible for the maintenance. Tampering with fire alarms will be cause for an immediate trip home at parent's expense.