



# COMMON COURTESY POLICY

## Proper Etiquette

1. When a field trip is offered, the organizer deserves to be shown proper consideration. When you respond to a field trip, you are guaranteed a place at the location.
2. It is very important that you notify the organizer as soon as possible when you are unable to attend. There may be others waiting to take your place.
3. When you sign up and do not show up, it is very inconsiderate to the people on the waiting list. Almost every field trip has filled up, necessitating a waiting list.
4. RSVP on time! Calls after the RSVP date will not be accepted.
5. If there are two or more dates set up for the same field trip, call the event organizer if you need to switch your date!
6. If all the spaces are filled on a field trip, do not call the location and get special permission to go. The only people that will be able to attend the field trip with CCHE are those who signed up in advance with the organizer.
7. Events need to start on time; therefore, arrive promptly.

Keep in mind that we are Christ's representatives, not to mention homeschooling representatives. "Such is the will of God that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men." I Peter 2:15

## Standards of Behavior

"It's good to commit the Golden Rule to memory. It's better to commit it to life." Ed Markham

### 1. Respect for authority

- a. Be attentive to the speaker. Listen!
- b. When questions are being asked, respect for the person in charge, as well as for the asker, will be expected. Therefore, no interruptions.
- c. If the event organizer or another parent corrects your behavior, please recognize the offense and change your actions and attitude. Whether you feel the action was offensive or not, it's bothering a brother. (Speak with them privately about it later.) Having the right response to correction and submitting to authority is the issue. I Corinthians 8:12, "And thus, by sinning against the brethren and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ." Romans 12:18, "If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men."

### 2. Respect for others

- a. Keep your hands and feet to yourself.
- b. No badgering or teasing will be permitted. This undermines the other person's self-respect, and we are commanded to be encouragers. Ephesians 4:29, 5:4: "Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, that it may give grace to those who hear." "And there must be no filthiness and silly talk, or coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks."
- c. Be considerate of others attending the function. If younger children consistently are disruptive, they won't be able to attend future events. We understand children will cry occasionally; if this happens, please deal with it quickly and quietly.

### 3. Respect for others' property

- a. No running or climbing on chairs, tables, podiums, stages, etc.... We want to be invited back. Colossians 4:5 says, "Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity." Therefore, don't take advantage of the host's generosity and ruin their supplies or facilities.
- b. Stay with the group!

## CCHE Members (Under both the active and inactive-but-current-member category) Verses Non CCHE Members

As the group has grown, events have become very popular. Maximums, unfortunately, have become a very important part of the planning. Therefore, CCHE members will have the privilege of getting first priority. If there is adequate space, non-members will be permitted to attend with the understanding that they and their children will abide by the "Common Courtesy Policy." (A copy will be sent to them or be available at the function.) CCHE-sponsored events are a privilege of membership.

**THESE GUIDELINES APPLY TO FIELD TRIPS, WORKSHOPS, MEETINGS, AND ALL OTHER CCHE EVENTS.**