

Reconciliatory Opportunities & Life Guidelines

²³ *Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, Colossians 3:23 (NIV)*
(Date and time table: _____ / adjusted and updated as appropriate)

Limited privileges

- Do not enter any store unaccompanied by parents and not without permission from parents.
- No cell phone, phone or computer use, except by permission.
- Always be ready to leave school at designated waiting place. Ride bus when needed.
- Come straight home after school and remain home, except by permission.
- No TV, I-pod or video games except by permission.

This document, used by many parents, is a template for parents/pastors/teachers to use with students in situations where trust has been bruised for whatever reason. Developing these ideas to match the need to reconcile a student with his parents and other authorities in his life is important. In the process, self-esteem may be restored as well. Continued principles begun in this 90-120 day process are often good to establish as ongoing expectations and serve as a guide for life.

Simple Guidelines

- Always be truthful about all things.
- Read 3 daily devotions from a devotion magazine as a family and 3 daily devotions alone (also look up accompanying scriptures). Your responsibility to acquire these weekly. Discuss concepts within devotions with parents weekly.
- Talk with dad and mom daily. Willingly communicate daily with parents.
- Do your homework daily, along with some extra studying.
- Be on time to every class, and never get called down for breaking a rule. Go to class, excel in your work and assignments.
- Ask parents if you need help with any assignment, as far in advance as possible.
- Spend time with your musical instrument/hobby (sports/skateboard) 3 times a week.
- Excel (do your very best) in extra classes/duties as assigned. Community Service opportunities as they avail.
- Be ready to go to Church weekly on time and attend weekly with your parents. When you are at church, be where you are supposed to be.

Responsibility

Do these things without being asked or reminded.

- Clean your room daily. Bed made, all clothes picked up in hamper or put away, dresser and night stand clean and neat, closet clean, only one towel hanging in bathroom (when dirty, put in dirty clothes when dry)
- Weekly vacuum and dust your room and living room (in both your homes)
- Wash your clothes (ask parents before)
- Unload dishwasher (make sure dishes are put away correctly, leave on counter if unknown and ask next opportunity)
- Take out garbage MWF and all garbage cans to curb on _____ for pickup. Return cans after pickup.
- Do all other things as asked with absolute willingness and excellence

Things to improve your state of life

1. Spend time alone with God every day.
2. Go to bed before 11pm and wake up by 5am. Adjust as needed for school and other obligations. Make it a habit that you practice daily.
3. Throw anything away that you haven't interacted with in the last 2 years. Clean the rest by vacuuming, dusting and storing away in boxes.
4. Get to work/school/practice 10 minutes early.
5. When you earn money, give 10% to God's ministry, and take 10% from money you are given or earn and deposit into a savings account.
6. Continue/begin accountability with a Christian Friend/Mentor. Focus on spiritual things as well.
7. Go to church every Sunday and other growth opportunities, get there 10 minutes early.
8. Never, ever miss class/school/practice/work.
9. Don't break any laws or school/house rules.
10. Adhere to a moral code that refrains from misrepresenting the truth, swearing, premarital sex, pornography and listening to music that supports those behaviors.
11. Strive to be authentic and transparent (People will trust and respect you more)
12. Compliment/respect others and strive for humility. Honest self-evaluation will not only have you directing your energy on your areas needing improvement. Focus on others and express appreciation to all people.