Acts 5:39

Character Formation

2013
Dear Parent and Student,

2 Peter 1:3 says, “His divine power has granted to us all things pertaining to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us to his own glory and excellence.” This means that God, through His Word, has given us everything we need to live our lives in a way that pleases Him. It means that to please God we must know His word and study it. Acts 5:39 is committed to teaching your children the Word of God, so that they may live full and abundant lives; lives filled with joy, peace and holiness.

As you know, sometimes, everybody needs a little instruction on the way we should behave in certain situations and circumstances. This packet that you are receiving is a packet that will inform you of our Character Formation process and it will also inform you of the way we expect your children to act and conduct themselves. This packet will also explain how your children will be treated when they are not able to keep the rules and regulations at Acts 5:39.

We want to express to you our love and care for your children, and instead of being a kind of ministry that forces good behavior, we want to be a ministry that focuses on building godly character, and godly behavior that is natural. It is our hope, that as we lean on God to help us develop your child’s character, you will see a difference in your child’s attitudes and behaviors at home, school, church, and everywhere you take your children.

Proverbs 4:23 tells us to keep our hearts with all diligence, for from it flow the springs of life. This verse tells us that outward behavior is a direct result of the attitudes and motives of our hearts. Acts 5:39 seeks to minister to the whole person. We want outward behavior to be a reflection of the inward heart change that only God can bring about in a person’s life. We do not simply want our students to behave, but we want our students to develop character so they will naturally do and say the right things. **Character Formation is our goal.** We seek to use every Character Formation opportunity to accomplish three things with your child; (1) develop a biblically appropriate relationship, (2) train your child to understand their behavior and how they can make changes for the better, and (3) restore and encourage your child by sharing Christ’s good news, His forgiveness and His love.

We thank you for the opportunity to serve and love your children in God’s ways, and we would like to offer you the opportunity to contact us with any questions you may have regarding this process. Acts 5:39 is here to serve you and your community.

Respectfully,

The Board of Acts 5:39
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Rules and Regulations for Students

I. Students will check-in immediately upon arrival. There are no exceptions!

II. Students will leave all belongings in their appropriate place before they enter into the Acts 5:39 Great Room!

III. Students must wash/sanitize their hands if they wish to receive snack/supper.

IV. Students will eat snack/supper at the appropriate table(s), and must throw away all trash upon completion of snack or dinner.

V. Students are to use the rest room facilities appropriately, or they will lose these privileges.

VI. Students will be respectful of all adult workers while at Acts 5:39 and will follow all instructions at all times.

VII. All students must dress modestly. No provocative or immodest clothing is allowed. You must wear your shoes at all times.

VIII. Students must refrain from the use of all electronic devices while at Acts 5:39. This includes cell phones, iPod’s, headphones, mp3 players, and any other electronic device not mentioned. Your cell phone must be kept in your pocket at all times! If your cell phone is seen by an adult worker it will be confiscated. Only your parents will be able to pick it up.

IX. No weapons, alcohol, illegal substances, or tobacco products are allowed in, on, or near Acts 5:39.

X. Absolutely no profanity/cussing, vulgar speech, inappropriate gestures, sexual comments or gestures, or public displays of affection are allowed.

XI. Clean up after yourself. If you make a mess clean your mess.

XII. Absolutely no Fighting, Play-Fighting or Horseplay.

XIII. Upon completion of the day’s activities, all students will collect their belongings in an orderly fashion.

XIV. Students must sign-out when their parent arrives, and leave with their parent/guardian.

XV. All students are prohibited from leaving Acts 5:39 without express permission from their parents communicated to an Acts 5:39 worker.
Acts 5:39 Character Formation Process

1. Student breaks a rule in the middle of a class or session.

2. Student receives clear warning/warnings that if the incorrect behavior is continued they will leave the mainstream of events and enter into character formation.

3. When the student continues to break the rules, or ignores their clear warning(s), they will be sent out of the mainstream of events and into the Character Formation area to await a conference with the appropriate adult running Acts 5:39 activities.

4. The adult instructor will fill out a Character Formation sheet and assign the appropriate consequences.

5. The student will carry out his or her consequences as instructed, and then be welcomed back into the mainstream of events with open arms, fully forgiven.

6. Should the student refuse to comply with the appropriate consequences, the student will be escalated to a greater level of consequences until he or she complies. Upon completion of the greater consequences the student will be welcomed back into the mainstream of events with open arms, fully forgiven.
Character Formation Acknowledgment Form

I/We, __________________________________________, the parent(s) or guardian(s) of

Parent's or Guardian's Name(s)

___________________________________________ have read and understood the

Name of Student

Character Formation packet. I/We have also spoken to my/our son or
daughter about the Character Formation process. We (parent/
guardian and student) agree to abide by the rules and regulations set
forth by Acts 5:39, and by the Character Formation process.

Student Signature:__________________________________________

Parent/Guardian Signature:_____________________________________

Date:________________________