



Connecting *People*  
Transforming *Lives*  
FIRST BAPTIST JACKSON

## Choir Tour Rules

1. You are on a Mission Trip. Represent Christ everywhere you go and in everything you do and say.
2. Obey the chaperones at all times. Do not pit one against the other in any circumstance.
3. You will need to remain flexible throughout the week. Always have a positive attitude in every circumstance. Always use the, "Oh, Okay" principle.
4. There will be no dating on choir tour. Current relationships will be suspended for the week. Treat everyone on tour as a friend, brother and/or sister. No public or private displays of affection will be tolerated. Guys look after the girl's welfare in all situations.
5. Invest yourselves in the lives of all Elevate students and chaperones. Our desire is to be a true family. Our witness is more powerful when we demonstrate love for one another.
6. At restaurants, we do the cleaning and bussing of tables. Make it cleaner than it was when you got there. "No trash left behind!"
7. Be friendly everywhere you go. It is contagious!
8. There will be no dirty jokes, foul language or lewd acts on tour.
9. There will no vandalism, stealing, pranking or destroying any one else's property.
10. Use your best judgment when wrestling or horseplay is involved. Be professional in public places.
11. There will be no weapons, knives, matches, fireworks, lighters, etc., on tour.
12. There will no alcoholic beverages, tobacco, or cigarettes brought, bought or consumed on tour. The same goes for illegal drugs or any and all types of pornography.
13. Do not bring computers or game systems. No internet access or surfing is allowed.
14. CD, MP3 players, IPODS, game boys, etc., are only permitted in the hotel room and on the bus while travelling. Do not bring any music or media that goes against our principles as a Christian group.
15. Cell phones are for the use of calling home to parents and family. It would be better if you just go without them for the week and use a chaperone's phone for calling home. If you must bring them, there will be strict times as to when and how they can be used. They will NEVER be used during public appearances or during our free time out in public. If you violate this, we will take up your cell phones for the duration of the trip.
16. All students and chaperones will abide by the dress code on tour at all times:
  - Shorts must be finger-tip length
  - All shirts must have sleeves
  - Nothing will be tight fitting
  - No advertising or writing across the rear end
  - No word or picture content that will go against our principles as a Christian group.
  - Girls are not allowed to wear soffees or any tight fitting pants or shorts.
  - Girls and guys, while performing, will wear hair pulled back and out of your face.
17. There will be no bus swapping, room swapping, or room-mate swapping.
18. Students are not allowed to leave the hotel, ministry sites or concert venues until told to do so.
19. No pay-for-view movies or R-rated movies allowed in the hotel. PERIOD. Do not watch any TV that will not glorify God.
20. No guys are allowed on the girl's hall, floor or rooms.
21. No girls are allowed on the guy's hall, floor or rooms.

22. At the hotel, use the Team Room for getting together. Stay out of the stairwells and lobby for talking and hanging out. Hang out outside ONLY when permitted.
23. No swimming allowed at the hotel.
24. We need to be rested. Obey lights out and curfew times. CURFEW means you are in your rooms – no where else in the hotel. LIGHTS OUT mean no lights, talking, no phone calling room-to-room, no noise, no TV, no music, no showers, no nothing. It means you are in your bed sleeping.
25. Everyone will keep there hotel/dorm rooms clean and picked up at all times. Room inspections will be done throughout the week and at check-out.
26. Do not announce to any stranger or audience member the name and place of our hotel. Simply say, “somewhere here in Arlington.”
27. Students and chaperones must remain with the group and its daily schedule at all times.
28. Travel in groups of 5 or more at all times. At ministry sites DO NOT go anywhere alone.
29. Do not ride in any vehicle unless it is with chaperones.
30. Students and chaperones are expected to be EARLY at all scheduled events and times. Your must carry a watch with you at all times. Do not count on your cell phones for the time because you will not always have them with you. Those that are late may be fined \$.25 per minute and/or left behind.
31. Do not go into any stores or restaurants that are not appropriate.
32. In churches and other buildings, assume that the answer is “NO” for bringing in drinks, chewing gum, food, etc. Remain in the designated areas only and do not wander.
33. Chaperones will not distract students during any performance.
34. All students are expected to work on designated work projects as well as help in other situations as requested by a chaperone.
35. We need to be healthy. Eat balanced meals (when possible)! DO NOT let choir tour be the time to go on a starvation diet.
36. During unscheduled meals, be prepared to leave at least a 15% tip. This greatly helps our witness.
37. Work extra hard to foster unity and team spirit among the group. No gossip, rumors, or “drama.” When conflict arises, go straight to the other person and work it out (Matthew 15).
38. Remember that this is a mission trip for God’s glory first, then the people, then you. Keep the order straight.
39. Anyone not obeying these rules or other guidelines set by the chaperones will be sent home at their own expense.

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Signature of Parent or Guardian

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Signature of Student