# CHOSEN & Set Apart POLICY & INFORMATION

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Parent Tip: Keep all enrollment forms updated. Please follow the policy, and help encourage your child to follow the policy as well. Most of all... know that your child will learn, and have fun at Chosen. *If you have a concern, please contact Chosen immediately* @ 231-769-0408 or email register@chosengirlz.com.

CHOSEN ENTITY NAME IS CHOSEN & SET APART BUT GOES BY CHOSEN. We call our youth Chosen Girlz.

#### **Chosen Accepts Grades 6th - 12th**

#### Chosen

Thank you for wanting your child to be a part of Chosen. We ask that you read the policy book in its entirety. Please understand that any policy mentioned throughout this book is subject to change at any time.

**<u>Checklist:</u>** Please submit all forms required for registration.

- Enrollment, Participation, Field Trip, Waiver form
- Allergy form (Chosen will not administer any medication to your Child besides urgent/immediate allergy relief meds.)
- □ Emergency Contact/s are Listed on all required forms
- □ Media/Photo form
- □ Policy Book signature page.

#### HOURS OF OPERATION: Saturdays from 2 pm to 4 pm

- Field trips and other event hours are subject to change.
- Please keep track of the calendar for upcoming events, etc.
- Closed all major holidays.
- Closed when subjected to extreme weather.
- Please always check the calendar before bringing your child to Chosen.

#### **CHOSEN & SET APART**

At CHOSEN, we are dedicated to empowering young women to realize their full potential. We believe in instilling confidence, providing opportunities, and promoting safety. Our programs focus on educating young women about sex trafficking, the dangers of meeting people online, the importance of education, life skills, and understanding that they are unique & Chosen individuals. Our team is committed to making a difference in the lives of young women and changing the world one CHOSEN young lady at a time.

**ATTENTION:** Please understand that some sessions will speak on topics such as trafficking which comes in many forms, the most common is sex trafficking. (**This is not to be assumed as sex education**). Chosen will not hold any sessions on sex education. This is the parent's choice of when that conversation should take place with their child.

# What Is Human Trafficking?

Human trafficking involves the use of force, fraud, or coercion to obtain some type of labor or commercial sex act. Every year, millions of men, women, and children are trafficked worldwide – including right here in the United States. It can happen in any community and victims can be of any age, race, gender, or nationality. Traffickers look for people who are easy targets.

: We are not experts in this field of trafficking or any lesson that we share, but what we can do is share what we do know and have learned. We will share stories, information on how to stay safe, movies, invite speakers, etc. Please check the calendar on the Chosen website to see what activities, lessons, field trips, etc. we will be offering each week. This will help you decide if you would like your child to participate that day.

Although we want your child to have fun, there is a policy that we ask for you, the parent, and the child to abide by... not just for you, and your child but for others.

#### **POLICY**

<u>**RESPECT</u></u> - WE ASK THAT YOU SHOW THE VOLUNTEERS, STAFF, BOARD MEMBERS, PARENTS, YOUTH, OR PARTNERS RESPECT AT ALL TIMES.</u>** 

**<u>PROFANITY-</u>** WE ASK THAT YOU AND YOUR CHILD ABSTAIN FROM ANY FOUL LANGUAGE.

FIGHTING - CHOSEN WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY ACT OF VIOLENCE, NO ONE IS ALLOWED TO ACT AS OR PUT THEIR HAND ON ANYONE...VOLUNTEERS, STAFF, BOARD MEMBER, PARENT, OUR OTHER YOUTH.

<u>**THREATS</u>** - CHOSEN WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY THREATS FROM ANYONE, WE WILL TAKE YOUR THREAT SERIOUSLY AND ACT ACCORDINGLY.</u>

<u>BULLYING</u> - CHOSEN IS A BULLY-FREE ZONE -ANY FORM OR LEVEL. In-person, social media, and other forms.

<u>STEALING</u> - TAKING ANOTHER PERSON'S PROPERTY/ OR BUILDING PROPERTY WITHOUT PERMISSION OR LEGAL RIGHT. CHOSEN DOES NOT ACCEPT STEALING.

<u>WEAPONS -</u> DO NOT BRING ANY FORM OF WEAPONS TO CHOSEN, ACTIVITIES, FIELD TRIPS, OR ANYTHING THAT HAS TO DO WITH CHOSEN.

<u>CLOTHING -</u> PLEASE DRESS APPROPRIATELY, AND COMFORTABLY. WE ASK THAT BODY PARTS (cheeks) NOT BE REVEALING. SUMMERTIME IS CHALLENGING WHEN IT COMES TO DRESSING, AGAIN, PLEASE COME DRESS COMFORTABLY & APPROPRIATELY.

<u>PHONE POLICY</u> - WE UNDERSTAND HOW IMPORTANT PHONES ARE TO THIS GENERATION. WHILE AT CHOSEN, WE ASK THAT YOUR CHILD REFRAIN FROM BEING ON THE PHONE DURING ANY LEARNING SESSION. ADULTS, AND CHILD/REN WE ASK THAT YOU DO NOT TAKE PICTURES, OR RECORD UNLESS YOU HAVE THAT PERSON'S PERMISSION. THIS IS FOR THE RESPECT OF OTHERS, AND THIS WILL HELP TO LIMIT ANY CHANCE OF BULLYING. MAKE SURE THAT THE PERSON IS AWARE THAT YOU ARE TAKING THEIR PICTURE, VIDEO ETC.

<u>PHOTO, VIDEO, PUBLISHING, SOCIAL MEDIA</u> – IF YOU DO NOT WISH FOR YOUR CHILD TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED, RECORDED, COMMERCIAL, OR PUBLISHED ON ANY BANNERS, FLYERS ETC. PLEASE INDICATE THAT ON THE MEDIA FORM THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE ENROLLMENT PAPERWORK. DROP OFF / PICK UP – PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR YOUR CHILDREN, WE WOULD LIKE ALL CHILDREN TO GET TO, AND FROM CHOSEN SAFELY. WE WILL NOT ALLOW ANY CHILD UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE TO LEAVE ON THEIR OWN UNLESS CHOSEN HAS A WRITTEN STATEMENT FROM THE PARENT. IF YOUR CHILD IS 16 & UP WITH DRIVING PRIVILEGES THAT IS OKAY AS WELL, BUT THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO DRIVE OTHER CHOSEN PARTICIPANTS HOME UNLESS THAT CHILD'S PARENT HAS GIVEN A WRITTEN STATEMENT STATING THAT THEY GIVE PERMISSION FOR ANOTHER YOUTH TO TAKE THEM FROM THE CHOSEN PREMISES.

IF YOU ARE GOING TO BE LATE PICKING YOUR CHILD UP, PLEASE CALL TO INFORM US.

<u>FUNDRAISING PARTICIPATION</u> – IF WE HAVE A FUNDRAISER, WE ASK THAT EVERY CHILD PARTICIPATE ( CANDYBARS, POPCORN, ETC.) THIS WILL GO TOWARDS HELPING WITH FIELD TRIPS/ACTIVITIES. IF YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR CHILD TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY TYPE OF FUNDRAISING PLEASE LET US KNOW.

**FIELD TRIPS – Home & Away Conduct, and Waiver**- We ask that all who attend a field trip in town, or out of town conduct themselves in a mannerable way. Follow the same policies as you would on the premises of Chosen. Permission slips, etc. are sent home or will be on the Chosen website when a trip is scheduled.

<u>PARENTS</u> – Please note that all policies apply to you as well. We ask that you conduct yourself in a manner that is an example to the children. If you have a problem with anyone from Chosen... volunteers, staff, board members, another parent, etc. Please contact Chosen so that any concerns you may have can be addressed. We would love to hear your concern and to continue having your child present with Chosen, but if misleading behavior continues to happen from the child or parent, we would have to decide what is best for Chosen and the other young ladies.

## WHAT IS W.A.M?

W.A.M. means "What About Me"? Said by those individuals **that feel left out** of something or by someone. This is for any young lady that would like to speak to a designated Chosen volunteer, or staff one-on-one privately. This is at the discretion of the young lady that may want to talk about certain issues... All talks are confidential so that the young lady can have a safe and confidential outlet.

# <u>Faith Base</u>

Although Chosen is faith-based, we will not force, or what we call bible bashing your child with the bible. We want you to be aware that we will have some of the word of God in some (not all) of our lessons. These may be words spoken, by demonstration, and many other ways.... possibly just by example of life. You as the parent/guardian are more than welcome to come and sit in at any time.

#### What is faith-based?

At its most basic, Christianity is the faith tradition that focuses on the Trinity, The Father, The Son Jesus Christ, and The Holy Spirit. Faith refers both to the believers' act of trust and to the content of their faith. As a tradition, Christianity is more than a system of religious belief.

### **LOCATION**

The Location (All Shores Church) is a donated space location. We are not affiliated with the church in any way besides their kindness in allowing Chosen to have a place for the youth to have a place to come learn, have fun, and be safe.

### FIELD TRIPS and MORE

We want everyone to be able to attend Field Trips, Events, etc. but participation is required for your child to be able to receive the perks that come with being a Chosen Girl. Please communicate with us if your child cannot participate more than three scheduled days out of a month. There are 4 Saturdays a month that we will be open providing that it is not a holiday, bad weather, etc. We are closed on the 5th Saturday unless some trip etc. is planned. Remember that depending on the dates of field trips, events, etc. the hours and days may change for that event, trip, etc.