

Informed Consent for Teens and Pre-Teens

Chase Oaks Church: The Harbor
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As a teen/pre-teen taking part in The Harbor program, your privacy is very important and will be protected under most situations. However, there are some situations and things you might talk about in THE HARBOR where confidentiality might need to be broken to ensure your safety. All the information that you share is protected but the following is a list of exceptions to confidentiality:

1. Any evidence or reason to believe that a situation of a child, elderly or handicap abuse and/or neglect exists. By law, this information must be reported to the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services or the police.
2. Any probability of physical harm to yourself or others, whether it involves threatening others or situations that you have been involved in. Situations that may risk your safety that you may disclose to a THE HARBOR leader or volunteer can include (but are not limited to) the following: using drugs, engaging in sexually promiscuous behavior, committing illegal activity and involving yourself in dangerous situations or activities. Protection from physical injury takes precedence over confidentiality and a THE HARBOR volunteer or leader has the legal obligation to take action to protect you or another person if it is believed that you or someone else is in immediate danger. Therefore, if an individual intends to take harmful action against self or another, the THE HARBOR volunteer and/or leader has a legal right to report such intent or action to the authorities.
3. If a court orders your records.

I (we) understand that all I talk about in THE HARBOR and/or to a THE HARBOR leader or volunteer will remain confidential except in those cases where confidentiality is limited as listed above. These limits or confidentiality have been explained to me and I understand these limits. I understand that my parent/guardian has also read this as shown by their signature below.

Teen/Pre-teen Signature: _____ Date: _____

Teen/Pre-teen Printed Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

Parental Consent

I agree to give _____ permission to participate in THE HARBOR program at Chase Oaks Church. Should I have any concerns, I will direct them to the adult trained lay small group leader and/or the Director of THE HARBOR. I understand that the leaders and Director of THE HARBOR do not attempt to offer professional advice or counseling and are not professional therapists or counselors.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO YOUR SMALL GROUP LEADER. THIS FORM MUST BE ON FILE TO ATTEND THE HARBOR.
If you are unable to get an adult signature, please let us know. Thank you!**