

CEF of West Texas
Christian Youth in Action™ 2026
Standards of Conduct & Dress Code for Students & Leaders

As brothers and sisters in Christ serving God together, we are responsible in our relationships with:

- Teammates
- CYIA staff and leaders
- Local volunteers who help
- Children whom we teach
- your church
- CEF as an organization
- God - *your most important relationship*

Our appearance, dress, conversation, and actions will either help or hinder the cause of Christ and the message we want to bring. At all times, conduct should be such that would bring honor and glory to the Lord Jesus Christ. Bringing reproach to the name of Christ or failure to adhere to the CYIA dress code and standards of conduct may result in being sent home from CYIA.

Attendance: You are expected to attend all sessions unless granted permission by your local CEF leader to miss.

Name Tags: Wear your name tag to all sessions and meals; wear it when teaching a 5-Day Club during CYIA.

Keeping CYIA Location Clean: All paper should be put into proper containers, not thrown on the ground. We need to respect South Plains College campus and keep it clean. We will need your help to keep all rooms where you meet clean (wiping down tables, picking up trash, etc.). After you eat a meal or have a snack, we expect you to throw away any trash; leave the table clean.

Personal Cleanliness: Please wash your hands before snacks and meals and throughout the day. Hand sanitizer will be available. Be sure to shower each day and use deodorant.

Recreation: There may be organized games, but you can also use this time for free time. The game room in the Student Center will be available to us.

Cell Phones: You may keep your cell phone with you, but please do not allow it to be a distraction during class time, working with your team, study times, mealtimes, or during practicums. If your cell phone does become a distraction, you will be asked to either leave it in your room or put it away.

Student Relationships: Friendships with Christians of the opposite gender are beneficial in social, spiritual, and leadership development. You may talk, walk, sit, and dine with them at appropriate times. However, because the goals of CYIA would be violated by the distraction of any romantic relationships, existing relationships of unmarried couples are to be put "on hold" during CYIA.

Also, the pursuit of such relationships is to be set aside during CYIA training so that Christ alone will be exalted.

Study Times: This time is to be spent preparing for practicums or preparing to teach the children in your club. Let your team leader know if you prefer to quietly study on your own or working with others to prepare. But be sure that your method of study does not distract those around you.

CYIA Dress Code

(Please read this carefully since it is modified each year. Ask your parents to read it.)

For morning worship, class time, and teaching clubs, you should wear clothing that is neat, clean and in reasonably good condition. Jeans, capri pants, skirts (girls) are all great choices.

New for 2026 - Both guys and girls may wear long shorts (Bermuda style) to class at South Plains College. Shorts should not be shorter than 2 inches above the knee. Anyone wearing shorts which are shorter than the acceptable length to class will be asked to change. No bicycle type shorts are allowed.

Your local director will set the guidelines for what you wear to teach 5 Day Clubs when you return home to your chapter.

We ask that students (both guys & girls) **NOT** wear the following at any time:

- Clothing that is too tight (form fitting) or that exposes midriffs, backs, undergarments, revealing necklines, etc. If you only have pants that are tight, **wear a long t-shirt.**
- Clothing with writing, slogans, pictures, or symbols that do not honor God.
- Tank tops or crop tops. • Ripped jeans • Short shorts

Thank you for following our CYIA codes of conduct and dress -- and for looking out for each other during CYIA. This will help us have a wonderful training time together! Please call Caprice Gatea at 254-433-3965 if you have any questions.

Please sign below if you agree to follow the CYIA dress code and standards of conduct.

Student signature _____

Print your name: _____

Parents' agreement to support their student to follow the dress code and standards:

Parent signature: _____