

Guidelines for Youth Liaisons

Thank you for making the commitment to support the service of our younger meeting members and attenders!

Youth service has much to offer us as individuals and as a meeting. Their service on the committees of our meeting brings an intergenerational perspective to our work together, and represents the future strength of our meeting and the wider Quaker community. Your contribution of support is critical in making this a positive experience for everyone.

Common issues for younger committee members, and strategies for support:

MAKING CONTACT: High school students often do not read emails. It will be important for you to use multiple means of contact. Email, IM, phone calls and messages, and possibly even conversations with parents to coordinate rides if transportation is a concern. Be willing to offer a ride if needed.

SCHEDULE SUPPORT: High schoolers may need multiple reminders of meeting times and dates. You might remind a week before, and again a day or two before. It might also be helpful to check in with parents re: the family schedule.

MEANINGFUL SERVICE: It is an important element of a successful experience for the teenage committee member that they feel their service is meaningful without being overwhelming. This can be a delicate balance, best met by close contact and conversations with the younger member, checking in regularly to assess their perception of their service experience. Making room for their verbal contributions during the meeting itself is also important. They need to feel heard!

REMEMBER!!

 **REMINDERS**

 **OFFER
RIDES**

 **FREQUENT
CHECK-IN**

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting

Young Friends Committee Service 2008-2009

Building and Grounds Colyer Durovich

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