

FBC Rockport Youth Ministry Strategy

Mission: The mission of the Youth Ministry of FBC Rockport is to lead students and their families to be shaped by the love of Jesus Christ. We accomplish that mission through our strategy.

KNOWN

1. KNOW – First and foremost, we want the students that come through our youth ministry to get to **KNOW** Jesus Christ, and have a life-changing encounter with Him.

2. OWN – Secondly, we want the students to become grounded in God’s Word, so that they will **OWN** their faith.

3. KNOWN – As the students come to know Christ and begin to ground themselves in their faith, we want the students to make Christ **KNOWN** to others. We want them to become great commission minded people.

Final Goal: Our goal through the KNOWN strategy here in the youth ministry at FBC Rockport is to equip the students so that when they exit the youth ministry they will be able to give an answer for their faith (1 Peter 3:15), stay connected to the Body of Christ, the church (Eph. 4:12), and make Christ Known to the nations (Matt. 28:19-20).

How does the KNOWN strategy play out here at FBC Rockport?

Event/Program	*Which part of KNOWN?	Date/Time Location	INFO
Youth Worship	Know	Wed. 5:45 – 7:30pm, Fellowship Hall 5:45-6:05pm – hangout time 6:05-6:35pm – food 6:35-7:30p – worship	Youth Worship is the basic entry point to our youth ministry. Our goal is that students will bring their unchurched, unbelieving friends, and they will get to know Christ. Youth Worship typically consists of food, a time of musical worship, and a Biblical message that is applicable to students. All students 7th-12th grade are invited to attend.

<p>Life Group Classes</p>	<p>1. Know 2. Own</p>	<p>Sun. 9:45 – 10:45am, Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>For our ministry, Life Group is the second component. During this time our focus is still on getting the students to know Christ, but we also want the students to begin working out and discussing issues of the faith. We currently use curriculum from LifeWay called “Explore the Bible.”</p> <p>In the Explore the Bible for Students, teens develop a bigger perspective on Scripture and how the story of Jesus Christ ties it all together. Every quarter is centered around walking through specific books of Scripture. Each week’s lesson will point applicable truths to the teenagers walk with Christ all while familiarizing them with more and more Scripture.</p>
<p>Mission Trips/Service Projects</p>	<p>Known</p>	<p>Various: Spring Break Mission Trip Mpart Weekend Serve Days HS Mission Camp</p>	<p>Another component of our ministry is mission trips and/or service projects. This also falls under the Serve and Reach areas of the overall church’s strategic plan. The idea is that, as students get involved in the other components of the ministry, they will in turn become service and mission-minded.</p>

***Every event that comes through the youth ministry will fall under the scope of one the three elements of our strategy.**

Upcoming 2016/2017 Youth Ministry Events so far...

Event:	KNOWN:	Date(s):	Cost:	Info:
Overtime (A.K.A. 5 th Quarter)	Know	Time: 10:30pm-12am Dates: Sept. 2 nd – COC Sept. 9 th – TBA Oct. 7 th – FBC Oct. 21 st – COC Oct. 28 th – FBC	No Cost	Time of fun and fellowship for all students 7 th -12 th grade. We usually play some big game like dodgeball, sumo wrestling, ping-pong tournaments, etc.
Youth Christmas Party	1. Know	Dec. 10 th – time TBD	No Cost	The Youth Christmas Party morphs every year, but it usually consists of a time of fun and fellowship.
Passion 2017 (H.S. Seniors & College Students)	1. Know 2. Own	Jan. 1-5	\$150 – covers most everything but a few meals – more info soon	Passion is a worship conference that is geared towards college students. HS seniors are allowed to attend this conference as well. Passion 2017 will be in Atlanta, GA with leaders such as Louie Giglio, Francis Chan, Matt Chandler Christine Caine, David Crowder, Chris Tomlin, Matt Redman, Christy Nockels, and Kristian Stanfil
Hot Hearts Student Conference @ Highland Lakes Camp	1. Know 2. Own	Feb 3-4	\$30 by Jan. 11 th or \$40 after Jan 11 th	Hot Hearts Student Conference is a like a mini-camp with fun activities and incredible times of worship through music and God's Word.
Spring Break Mission Trip Siguatepeque, Honduras (Destino del Reino)	3. Known	March 11-18	Estimated Cost: \$800-900	We will be taking a trip to Siguatepeque, Honduras where we are partnering with full-time missionary Rhonda Jackson and her children's home Destino Del Reino (Destiny in the Kingdom).

Mpact Weekend	1. Know 2. Own 3. Known	April 21-23 rd	\$35 by April 5 th or \$45 after April 5 th	This is a weekend that is full of fun, worship, service, and small group Bible study. The main drive for this weekend is discipleship and serving. Students stay in homes of church members for the weekend.
Graduate Banquet/Robing Ceremony	Known	Sat. May 20 th 6:00-8:00pm	No Cost	This is a banquet to celebrate our graduating seniors and their accomplishment. It is also a time that we give the seniors a chance to say thanks and honor those that mean so much to them.
Journey Youth Camp – Middle School Only (7 th & 8 th graders in the 2016-17 school year)	1. Know 2. Own	Dates- June 12-16 - Highland Lakes Camp and Conference Center – Spicewood, TX	Total cost: TBD but no more than \$200 – includes everything except for meals on the road	The MS students will attend the Journey Youth Camp at Highland Lakes. Journey offers a life-changing, fun-filled, adventure-packed and Christ-focused experience for students
Generate Camp – High School Only (9 th -12 th graders in the 2014-15 school year)	1. Know 2. Own 3. Known	July 23-29 – Windermere Conference Center – Lake of the Ozarks, MO	Total cost: \$225– includes everything except for meals on the road Registration Due March 31st. *Registration after March 31 st will cost \$255 and is subject to availability.	The HS students will attend Generate Camp. Last year was our first year to attend a Generate Camp, and students loved it! This week of camp will be full of worship led by Rush of Fools, teaching by Ed Newton, and times of fun and service activities.

Events still to be determined:

- **Girls Retreat Weekend**

Parent Resources

Books:

Parenting With Kingdom Purpose by Ken Hemphill and Richard Ross

Parenting Teens: Essentials for the Journey by Richard Ross and David Booth

A Parent Privilege by Steve Wright with Chris Graves

Preparing for Adolescence: How to Survive the Coming Years of Change by James Dobson

The Space Between: A Parents Guide to Teenage Development by Walt Mueller

The Five Love Languages of Teenagers: the Secret to Loving Teens Effectively by Gary Chapman

Websites:

- Youth Culture

www.cpyu.org - The Center for Parent/Youth Understanding, full of articles and topics of what is going on in youth culture from a Biblical perspective.

learningmylines.blogspot.com - Walt Mueller's Blog, the main guy behind CPYU, the leading expert on youth culture

www.thesource4parents.com - The Source For Parents is a place to find articles on advice or tips with dealing with issues of youth culture and/or issues of connecting with your teenager.

- Family Resources/Parenting Resources

www.rootedfamilies.com - Rooted Families

www.focusonthefamily.com - Focus on The Family

www.visionaryparenting.com - Visionary Family Ministries

- Family Devotional/Discipleship Resources

www.heartconnex.com - A Semi-Weekly Family e-Devotional from LifeWay Student Ministry. This is great for families that have little or no family devotional time. Heart Connex provides an easy to use parent page and student page.

www.d6family.com/splink - It's a FREE weekly email packed with ideas to help connect your family.