

The purpose of the Top Ten Tips is to help engage foster parents and youth in conversation about realistic roles, responsibilities and expectations to increase positive connections within the household.



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Top 10 Tips

for foster parents of teenagers



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1 Treat Like Family

Youth want to be viewed as part of the family and not an outsider.

2 Social Life

Youth would like to have the opportunity to engage in social activities.

3 Communication

Youth should have the opportunity to express concerns and discuss problems and emotions without the threat of retaliation.

4 Self-Responsibility

Youth should experience self-responsibility such as cooking, laundry and household chores in order to learn home management before they go out on their own.

5 Transportation

Youth would like additional assistance with transportation involving employment and school activities



6 Cultural Diversity

Youth and care taker(s) should respect each other's cultural, ethnic, and gender diversity.

7 Support

Support youth in achieving goals and engaging personal interests.

8 Mutual Respect

Treat each other with respect and fairness.

9 Relationships

Promote and encourage interactions with biological family and permanent connections.

10 Confidentiality

Youth and foster parents should have a safe and confidential relationship.