

What should I do to prepare for the programs? The Checklist in the Customer Center provides a detailed list of things to do and a timeline to help you prepare for the upcoming program.

What type of room works best? Auditoriums work best for student programs, but classrooms, libraries, lecture halls, band halls or choir rooms also work well if they are large enough. We recommend you avoid gymnasiums and cafeterias if possible due to acoustics.

What will the speaker(s) need? Aim for Success - by Just Say YES - Youth Equipped Succeed (JSY) speakers bring their own projection equipment. You will, however, need to provide the following items:

- Table or A.V. Cart
- Extension Cord
- Projection Screen (make sure it's large enough for the size of your audience)
- Lighting conducive to viewing the visual presentation
- Microphone for programs presented in a gymnasium/cafeteria, or when 50 or more attendees will be present
- Pencil for each student in 3rd-12th grades (make an announcement just before the program)

How long are the programs? In-Person programs are 60 minutes for 6th-12th grade, 45 minutes for 3rd-5th grade, and 30 minutes for K-2nd grade. Program length can be adjusted, but portions of the program will be omitted. Please check with the JSY office for more information on modifying program length. Provide the start and end time of each session on your Program Schedule. Transition time for students to enter and exit the program should be included between sessions. Due to differences in audience interaction, Livestream and Recorded programs may vary in length. Please contact the JSY office for more information.

What about permission slips? House Bill 1525 passed legislation and was signed into law on June 16, 2021. Section 7 of HB 1525 includes changes to the Texas Education Code regarding human sexuality instruction. As part of this new legislation, **School/District must obtain written consent from the student's parent/guardian for ALL students attending or viewing the presentation.**

HB 1525 Section 7, Section 28.004, Subsection (i-2)

(i-2) Before a student may be provided with human sexuality instruction, a school district must obtain the written consent of the student's parent. A request for written consent under this subsection:

- (1) may not be included with any other notification or request for written consent provided to the parent, other than the notice provided under Subsection (i); and
- (2) must be provided to the parent **not later than the 14th day before** the date on which the human sexuality instruction begins.

Our recommendation is that you request a "Yes" or "No" response to help ensure that a parent/guardian of each child submits a form. We hope this will help to reduce the number of forgotten or lost forms. Program-specific forms can be found by going to the Customer Center main page and clicking on the program type your school or organization has selected.

Should boys and girls be separated? This is not necessary. The programs are not embarrassing; and we have found the boys typically behave better when the girls are in the room. If, however, you desire to separate your students, that is acceptable.

How are discipline problems handled? Discipline problems seldom occur during our programs. However, the larger the group the greater chance some students might misbehave and disrupt the program. Therefore, it is important for teachers to sit with their students and be prepared to handle any discipline problems that may develop.

How is discipline handled with larger groups? For the best educational impact, we prefer to work with smaller groups of students as our programs are educational and motivational. However, if you do choose larger groups for your presentations, **the principal or vice-principal must be visible during the program.** Please ensure that Administrators are visible for audiences larger than:

100 Students for K - 2nd Grade
150 Students for 3rd - 6th Grade

200 Students for 7th & 8th Grade
350 Students for 9th-12th Grade

How should students be seated? Students need to sit with their teachers as close to the front as possible.

When will the speaker arrive? The JSY speaker will arrive to set up at least 20 minutes before the first program.

What if I have more questions? If you have any other questions or concerns, please call the JSY office at 972-422-2322. Our staff is ready to assist you!

A connected student is a protected student.

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