



Teen Center Rules 2026/2027

- 1) This program is available for Old Saybrook youth between 5th - 8th grade.
- 2) Students are required to sign in and out of the Teen Center. **5th - 8th Graders**, Monday-Thursday, students are permitted to attend and leave when they desire. **Once a student is on our property, they are considered "signed in."** Students are expected to sign in with their membership card and there will be consequences for those who continually show up without formally signing in. **Once students sign out/ leave the Teen Center, they are expected to leave the property and cannot return that day.**
- 3) Teen Center Members should be aware of the 4:00PM closing time on Fridays. Members must be picked up by a parent or guardian and cannot walk/bike home unless written permission is submitted to OSPR.
- 4) **Friday Night Teen Center is 6:00PM – 8:30PM.** Students must be picked up by a parent or guardian and cannot walk/bike home unless written permission is submitted to OSPR. Students/Parents disregarding these pick-up rules will not be permitted at the Rec on Friday Nights. Parents who are consistently late will incur a fee. Repeated lateness will result in your child not being able to attend Teen Center hours.
- 5) Teen Center Members have access to the property of OSPR: Teen Center, the Rec Gym, outdoor basketball courts, and the Little League Field. Students are not permitted to "hang out" on the Town Green, Gazebo, Middle School Property or Parking Lot during Teen Center hours. No Loitering in the parking lot.
- 6) The possession of weapons of any kind, alcohol, illegal drugs, tobacco products, or gambling will not be tolerated. Disobeying this rule will result in immediate expulsion and possible police involvement.
- 7) Fighting and/or bullying is not tolerated and will result in suspension or expulsion.
- 8) **Body contact of any kind between students, apart from sports-appropriate contact, will not be tolerated.** Roughhousing, wrestling, public displays of affection, sitting on laps, and inappropriate touching are not allowed. Students are instructed to keep their "hands to themselves."
- 9) **Disrespect for the building, property, supervisors, staff, other participants, equipment, or the Recreation Center is prohibited.** Consequences may include reimbursing the cost of the damage, suspension, expulsion, or police involvement.
- 10) **Unacceptable behavior (i.e., swearing, inappropriate conversations, talking back, disrespectful or rough behavior) will be determined by the supervisor. Students can be asked to leave the Teen Center if this behavior continues.** An incident report will be filed. Suspension or expulsion may result. Students who do not follow staff instructions and the Teen Center rules as outlined will not be permitted at the center. Any harassment, including sexual harassment and verbal slurs involving race, ethnicity, disabilities, or sexual orientation, will not be tolerated and will result in suspension or expulsion.



- 11) Appropriate clothing must always be worn. (very short, revealing clothing, or inappropriate logos).
- 12) Food and drinks are not allowed in the gymnasium or on any arcade machine or game table. Food and drinks should be eaten and stored at tables and booths.

Bike Policy *NEW*

Helmets are required for all students wanting to ride on anything with wheels.

Bikes brought to the Rec Center will be required to have a lock. (We will also have a few locks available to borrow)

No person should ride any bike or scooter that is not their own.

Consequences

Consequences will be determined in relation to the offense; however, this is the standard to be followed by staff and the Teen Center Director:

- 1) ONE Verbal Warning
- 2) Formal Write Up
- 3) Suspension from the Teen Center
- 4) Expulsion from the Teen Center