



Youth & Teen Engagement Guide

HELP YOUNGER RELATIVES CONNECT TO FAMILY AND ONE ANOTHER

Youth engagement works best when young relatives are participants, not just an audience for adult programming.

Ideas for Children

- Family scavenger hunt
- Cousin name game
- Color or design a family crest
- Photo challenge
- Family trivia with simple questions
- Storytime with an elder
- Family talent showcase

Ideas for Teens

- Teen cousin meetup
- Family-history interview project
- Reunion social-media/photo team with family approval
- Destination photo challenge
- Youth-led music or game session
- Career and college conversation with relatives
- Help host a recognition or family-history activity

Connect Generations

- Pair a younger relative with an elder for an interview.
- Ask youth to collect one family story.
- Invite teens to introduce a recognized relative.
- Create a then-and-now family photo project.

- Let youth propose a tradition for the next reunion.

Safety & Inclusion

- Use age-appropriate supervision.
- Do not publicly post minors without parent/guardian permission.
- Offer activities without forcing participation.
- Include children and teens with different interests and abilities.