

# Typical DNow Schedule

## Wednesday (prior to weekend)

6:30pm–8:00pm Large Group Kickoff Rally

## Thursday or Friday

Evening Dinner and Orientation with Your Bible Study Leaders (optional)

## Friday

7:00pm Students report to host homes and settle in (or meet at church)  
7:30pm Settle in  
8:15pm Session 1  
9:15pm Snacks  
10:00pm Session 2  
10:45pm Snacks  
11:30pm Lights Out

## Saturday

8:30am Breakfast at Host Home  
9:00am Quiet Time  
9:30am Session 3  
10:30am Snack  
10:45am Session 4  
12:00pm Lunch at Host Home or Church  
1:00pm Church-wide Group Activity  
4:00pm Depart for Host Homes  
Showers for Evening Activities  
5:30pm Supper at Host Home  
6 or 8pm Worship Rallies  
9:15pm Depart for Homes  
9:45pm Discussion/Decision Session with Small Group Leader  
10:30pm Snacks  
11:30pm Lights Out

## Sunday

*[Students wear DNow t-shirt to church.]*

9:00am Breakfast at Church (or at host home)  
9:15am DNow Wrap-up/Celebration during Sunday School  
10:30am Sit together in Worship Service, ask Student or Adult to share Testimony  
12:00pm Dismiss

# DNow Suggestions

## **What are some steps I should take in planning a DNow weekend?**

1. Visit the StudentNet website for details ([www.thestudentnet.net](http://www.thestudentnet.net)).
2. Form a team to help you. It's a bear!
3. Determine an expected number of participants.
4. Based on the number of students you expect, determine the number of homes you will need. It is recommended that you allow one home for every 8-10 participants.
5. Find a leader to teach your Bible study for each home.
6. Find a Co-Leader for each home. This person is typically a church member who will assist the leader in keeping discipline. They are also to aid the host home in transporting the students. (See detailed job description later in this document.)
7. Find out if your host homes need assistance with food preparation. If so, you may want to approach Adult Sunday School classes about sponsoring a home.
8. Advertise your event, and set dates for collection of registration forms and money.
9. Conduct a training and information session for your host homes, leaders, and coleader. You may need to divide these groups.
10. Little touches you shouldn't forget...
  - Buy t-shirts for your host homes.
  - Take a lot of pictures.
  - Take a large group picture Sunday morning of everyone in their shirt.
  - Food and Transportation Needs

**This list is not comprehensive. Think the event through and make out a plan.**

## **What are the responsibilities of the Host Home, Leader, and Co-Leader?**

### **Host Home Responsibilities:**

1. Be available the entire weekend. [See schedule for list of events.]
2. Lay down "House Rules" to be followed such as where to eat snacks, shower schedules, etc...
3. Help with discipline if needed. The Co-Leader should be the main enforcer.
4. Provide a bedroom away from the group for the Leader, but the Co-Leader should be very close to the group to help them get to bed. The Co-Leader should either sleep in the same room with them or their bedroom should be right there with the group.
5. Be sensitive to the needs of the Leader and Co-Leader. If you feel that they need some help, step in and assist however needed.
6. We will need your vehicles to help transport the students. Students will need to be transported to a rally on Saturday night, and to church on Sunday morning. No students will be allowed to drive except in a "Time Away Form" situation with parent's permission.
7. Be encouragers. Be prayer warriors while the Bible studies are going on. It is optional whether or not you sit in on the sessions. You are welcome to do this, but please check with the leader to see if they feel it is best for the students.
8. Provide meals on Saturday. If you would like assistance with the meals, several Sunday School classes would like to help. Please call the church to arrange these services.
9. Be flexible.

### **Leader Responsibilities**

1. Spend as much time as possible with the individual students in your group. This time is invaluable for meeting needs, and making them comfortable to make a decision.
2. Teach the curriculum in a way that best suits your teaching style. Each student will have a student version of the material.
3. Work with the host parents throughout the weekend to comply with their “House Rules” and other matters concerning the use of their home.
4. Make yourself available to transport students.
5. Set the tone for the weekend by your own attitude and actions.
6. Be aware of the schedule, but bend it to meet the needs of your group.
7. During the weekend, look for students in your group in whose lives God is really at work, and those who are able to communicate. Encourage them to share any decision that they make during the DiscipleNow weekend.
8. Be in prayer for the students you will work with.

### **CoLeader Responsibilities**

1. Be available the entire weekend – actually live with the students in the host homes!
2. Sit in on and participate in the Bible Study Sessions.
3. Focus on building relationships with the students. You may be asked to help do one-on-one times with students. Be prepared to give input when appropriate. Be the one to initiate games, etc...during free time.
4. Cooperate with the guidelines and “House Rules” as laid down by the host homes.
5. All adults should help with discipline, but you are the main enforcer with your group.
6. Be sensitive to the needs of the host parents.
7. Get the students in their rooms and sleeping at bedtime.
8. We will need your vehicle to help transport students. The only reason a student should be allowed to drive this weekend is in the case of a “Time Away Form.” You will need to take up car keys when the students get to the host homes.
9. Be encouragers. Be prayer warriors. While the leader is teaching, pray for him/her.