



Advice to 18/19 year olds registering as Leaders in **The Boys' Brigade**

The Boys' Brigade is a Christian youth organisation committed to providing a safe environment in which young people can develop socially and emotionally towards mature adulthood.

Thinking of becoming a BB Leader?

A few points to remember...

1. It's a great opportunity to develop your skills, help other young people to develop and enjoy your BB experience from a different angle.
2. Once you register as a Youth Leader, you have what is known as a "position of trust". This means you must understand and work within our safeguarding guidelines.
3. If you've not already been given the BB "Code of Good Practice" card then ask your Captain for one.
4. Being a registered Leader means that you shouldn't have younger children or young people who are BB members as friends on Facebook or other social networking sites. This will protect you from any situations that can become difficult to manage. It also protects children and young people in the BB. Again, your Captain will go through this with

5. It's natural to feel a bit strange when you first become a Leader, especially if your peer group and friends attend BB and are not registering as Leaders. Your Captain will arrange a time to go through an induction programme with you and this will be one of the things he/she can help you with.

6. There are many opportunities for you to develop as a Leader, so ask your Captain about training or look on the BB website for courses in your area.

7. Hopefully, you will soon grow in skills and confidence and get the buzz from working with children and young people. It is a fantastic way to give to your community and be a positive influence in the lives of others.

Thank you & Good luck

