

Rules of behavior and conduct for guests and volunteers at Our Little Roses Home for Girls

1. The girls of OLR can not, under any circumstance, leave the OLR compound without a written authorization of the OLR Assistant director (Mayra). She is the single person legally responsible for the girls' safety. Girls leaving the OLR compound with visitors will *always* have to be accompanied by OLR staff, again for legal reasons. The visitor is also responsible for covering the costs of the OLR staff member.
2. Girls are never allowed inside the transitional houses, nor in the volunteer apartments, nor in the Bed and Breakfast, nor in the guest apartment, or any other area where volunteers or visitors stay.
3. It is prohibited to play the role of maternal or paternal figure for a girl of OLR. Most of OLR girls have parents, some of them play important roles in their lives. Volunteers, godparents and visitors are seen as extended family
4. Nobody is ever allowed into the girls bedrooms. In special cases, when working on maintenance for example, special permission is needed from OLR staff.
5. It is prohibited to give girls money, gifts, cell phones or any other gift in kind, without consultation and permission of OLR staff. All gifts and donations need to be registered by the OLR administration for accounting reasons.
6. It is prohibited to be with a girl alone in an area or room, without close supervision by OLR staff.
7. Visitors and volunteers are expected to show responsible and appropriate behavior, especially in front of the girls. Follow all directions of OLR staff in that respect. Use common sense. Smoking in sight of the girls is not allowed, avoid open consumption of alcohol in front of the girls.
8. Parents with children visiting OLR are at all times responsible for the behavior and caretaking of their children.
9. All projects and activities undertaken by volunteers and visitors **MUST** have prior authorization by Xiomara Santos
10. Between 6 pm and 9 am, the inside of Pequeñas Rosas is off limits for all volunteers and visitors. This way we guarantee our girls their (already limited) privacy as much as we can. Please respect this. This rule does not apply during special evening activities, such as aerobics or group activities: follow directions of OLR staff.
11. Volunteers and visitors must respect the work and study times plus other activities scheduled with the girls of Our Little Roses Ministries
12. Our Psychologist wants male visitors to pay particular attention to physical contact with the girls. It is inappropriate to allow older girls to sit on laps, to embrace or to drape arms around them, or any other thing that may be considered inappropriate behavior.
13. Families, parents or guardians that are accompanied by small children or youth are responsible for their behavior and conduct while visiting Our Little Roses.