

Small Group Childcare Options

Because the age and makeup of the children in every small group is so different, the best way to take care of the children varies greatly from group to group. Here are some options for meeting the childcare needs of your small group.

1. Have each parent arrange babysitting for their own children.
2. Have all the parents pool their money to pay babysitters to watch all the children at a different room in the host home.
3. Have all the parents pool their money to pay babysitters to watch all the children at a home different than the host home.
4. Have the older children (teenagers) supervise the younger children in another room of the host home.
5. Have a rotation schedule in which the adults from the group take turns supervising the children in another room of the host home.
6. Have a rotation schedule in which the adults from the group take turns supervising the children in a home different than the host home.
7. If appropriate, have someone lead a children's small group simultaneous to the adult group in another room or location.
8. If appropriate, have children "supervise themselves" in another room of the host home.

