2023 T{4} CONFERENCE HOST GUIDE

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Hi friends!

Welcome to THERE{4} Gathering 2023! We've been praying for you and can't wait to see what the Lord has in store.

Our 2023 in-person and livestreamed conference is expected to connect with thousands of high school girls around the world. As a host, you are such an important part of this ministry and this Host Guide will give you some great ideas to make the day special for you and those who attend with you. Please take a few moments to read each section to design your own $T{4}$ experience.

Thank you for your leadership during this special event. We trust that the Lord uses your investment among teen girls to strengthen a lasting foundation for their spiritual future as they seek to find hope in Jesus.

Know that we're cheering for you!

All our best,

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Tiffany Daniels Founder

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Friday, February 24

7:00 pm	Welcome and Worship
7:30 pm	Session 1
8:00 pm	Break/Conversation Cards
8:30 pm	Session 2
9:30 pm	Worship
9:45 pm	Wrap Up

Saturday, February 25

8:30 am	Doors Open
9:00 am	Worship
9:30 am	Session 3
10:00 am	Break/Conversation Cards
10:30 am	Session 4
12:00 pm	Lunch
12:45 pm	Session 5
1:45 pm	Break/Conversation Cards
2:00 pm	Session 6
3:30 pm	Worship
3:45 pm	End



*Please note that all times are Central Standard Time and are subject to change.

YOU ARE SPECIAL!

Every girl deserves to have someone speak God's affirmation, "You are beautiful, you are talented, you are priceless, you are loved." The mission of T{4} is to **"inspire the next generation of high school girls to boldly live out their identity in Christ."** A girl's identity is simply what God says is true about her through her relationship with Jesus. She *is* smart, beautiful, valuable, worthy, and a priceless treasure in the eyes of God.

At each year's conference, we deliberately try to help girls *feel* these truths by blessing them with personal gifts (a commemorative necklace and other goodies), providing plenty of snacks, engaging them in conversation and plenty of hugs, and looking them in the eyes. What we tell them, we work to show them.

Go the extra mile to make your girls feel special!

Make it Exciting!

Simple decorations communicate excitement and the uniqueness of an event. You could:

- Put a "Welcome" poster on your front door
- Get some balloons or put up some streamers
- Print color copies of the art in this packet and place at a snack table
- Coordinate napkins, plates and cups to make it a party
- If watching from home, rearrange the furniture to make your room cozy and inviting
- Make sure you have plenty of throw pillows and throws for girls to get comfortable



Make it Tasty!

Food is the language of hospitality and values our guests. Snacks can range from the simple to the elaborate. Why not ask a community of friends to provide a few appetizers or lunch as a way of including them in this important ministry? Here are a few ideas for you to feed girl's stomachs while we feed their souls:

- Your girls will think you're the best if you have donuts or bagels and coffee when they arrive in the morning.
- During the day, put out a few snacks for them to graze. Chips with salsa and a pitcher of lemonade is easy and simple. Consider adding queso, yogurt pretzels, pizza rolls, cheese and crackers, a vegetable tray, popcorn, Chex mix, peanuts (be mindful of allergies), brownies or homemade cookies. A bucket of Topo Chicos or La Croix win the day!
- Plan your lunch. Chick-Fil-A is always a winner. Or, perhaps a friend(s) will prepare something special and bring it by right on time.
- Want to go above and beyond? Offer a "candy table" with 4-5 selections for teens to choose from. A build-your-own-sundae bar won't be turned down!



Add the Fun Factor!

You can complete the T{4} experience for each girl by adding personalized experiences for the girls who attend. For some, this extra attention will be the most memorable part of the conference.

- Make it a sleepover. Invite girls to crash at your place on Friday night or cook out after the conference ends and host a sleepover on Saturday night.
- Add a few giveaways of your own (giftcard to Amazon, Sonic, Starbucks, or Chick-Fil-A; a book; a candle; makeup).
- Create your own "selfie station" for girls to take photos and post during the conference. Remind them to tag #t42023.

Set Your Space

It's important that you create a space that will be comfortable for each girl attending. We believe that all of our speakers will be amazing and engaging. But, there are a few things you should do (test everything beforehand) to ensure the best experience.

- Use the biggest screen possible. The 2023 Conference will be best viewed on your smart TV screen or via projector. Don't be afraid to ask a friend if you can borrow their TV for the event.
- Make it loud. If possible, use a sound bar or external speakers to make sure the volume is full.
- Rearrange the furniture if necessary to make sure each girl can see easily.
- Consider a different "space" for lunch and breaks. Sit around a table or go outside if the weather is pleasant.



As Your Begin

As girls arrive, make them feel at home and set their expectation of the day together.

- Send a reminder the day before to let them know when to arrive.
- Make introductions if girls don't know one another.
- Make sure girls know where your restroom is.
- Encourage them to put their phones on "silent."
 Encourage them to limit distractions (texts, etc.) so that they can hear the Lord speak to them today.
- Have them download the T{4} mobile app.
- Let them know the general schedule: speakers, break, speaker, lunch, etc.
- Pray over your girls before the first session. You might pray for open hearts, healing, life-direction, and for each girl to learn what it means for them to trust in Jesus Christ.

Go Deeper

During a few times in our conference, we will break for girls to connect with each other through some Conversation Cards. This time can be some of the most valuable moments for girls to go deeper with lessons they are learning.

- Encourage them to really take the discussion time seriously. Offer to get them a snack so they don't waste valuable time grazing at the table.
- Throw out questions that might keep them talking:
 - What's the most memorable thing you heard from the last speaker?
 - → What's God teaching you today?
 - → How is your view of God changing?
 - What did you think about when (speaker) said (quote)?



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