



Connecting teenagers to Jesus Christ

THE FUTURE OF OUR NATION AND WORLD GREATLY DEPENDS ON REACHING STUDENTS TODAY.

The values young people adopt now will become the future values of America and the world. That is why it is critical to connect teenagers to Jesus Christ and help establish them in their faith in Christ – before they graduate from high school.



SOME ANSWERS TO A FEW COMMON QUESTIONS ...

Who is Cru?

Cru is a caring community passionate about connecting people to Jesus Christ. Our primary outreaches are on high school and college campuses, throughout cities in America, with athletes, with families, and with the military. As the high school and middle school ministry of Cru, we love teenagers and want to connect them to Jesus. Since 1967, we have been reaching out to teenagers across America and the world. Our team is made up of full-time and part-time staff members, interns and volunteers who join hands with parents, educators, churches and community leaders. We help students and equip them to make a positive and eternal difference.

Why is reaching teenagers important?

High school and middle school are the only doors through which nearly every individual passes, making an outreach to teenagers one of the most important strategies in our nation. If a movement to reach teenagers with the gospel was at every school, every person in a community could have the opportunity to hear the good news of Christ before leaving high school.

Are students really interested in Christ?

Growing up has never been easy, but for many today, it is more difficult than ever. Students seek answers to the problems they experience, and many are responsive to the claims of Christ. That is one reason why three fourths of all people who receive Christ do so before their 18th birthday. *

Are representatives allowed to work on campus?

Since many of the meetings we sponsor for students take place away from school, going on campus is not essential to our work. However, because of the Equal Access Act, meeting with students on campus is allowed in the majority of schools in communities where Cru representatives serve.

How does Cru help teenage students?

We work where teenage students spend their time: on the campus, at home, and in the community. Through teachers and coaches, we are often given opportunities to speak in classrooms, clubs and to athletic teams. Our time off campus is spent in one-to-one and small group discipleship, and in large group meetings. Cru also hosts youth conferences around the country and offers global and stateside mission opportunities.

* George Barna Research Group



EVERY STUDENT
EVERY SCHOOL
EVERY COMMUNITY

Our Vision: We see a day when every teenage student will have the opportunity to know and follow Christ!



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How do students get involved in Cru?

Our movement activities for high school and middle school students include campus-wide Cru meetings, small group discipleship, youth conferences and one-to-one mentoring. Through Cru's leadership training, Christian students learn how to reach out to others and share the message of Christ at their schools. Many teenagers involved in Cru have become Christians through the witness of their peers.

What does the future hold for the high school ministry of Cru?

Working in partnership with local churches, other youth organizations and the Cru collegiate ministry, our aim is to help communicate the love and truth of Christ to every student in every school in America and around the world.

How can Cru begin working in my community?

Expansion of Cru's influence depends greatly upon the initiative of lay people and churches in their communities. One exciting option is to begin as a volunteer through our Coaching Center. Through this strategy, local leaders are "coached" by phone and Internet to develop an outreach to students in their own hometown. As for a new Cru ministry with full-time staff members, this is largely determined by the availability of staff members.

How can I be involved in Cru?

1. Join the Cru staff, intern and volunteer team. Use your love for teenagers and your gifts to help bring students to Christ and build them in their faith. Opportunities are available in direct ministry with students, as well as roles in operations, administration, media, web and more. For information, **call 800-836-3507** or **email connect.teens@cru.org**.
2. **Call Cru's Coaching Center at 877-GoCampus (462-2678)**. Let us coach you to begin an effective campus outreach to a high school or middle school in your city.
3. Invest financially in the high school and middle school ministry of Cru. You may contribute toward national expansion, a local ministry, and/or a staff member's personal ministry. For giving opportunities, visit **www.cruhightschool.com** or go to **give.cru.org** and search "Cru High School" to donate online to a staff member or local team.

