



## Connecting with the “Whatever” Kids

### **Description**

Whatever kids are students who don't necessarily have any thoughts or feelings or anything with their decision that they may or may not have had made while following Jesus. They may come to church and thoroughly enjoy it. They may sign up for camps and have a blast. They may even have great leadership potential and love students and leaders. But when it comes to their faith in Jesus, they are, “whatever.”

### **Goal with the Whatever Kid**

Our goal with the whatever kid would be to build relationships with them, and invite them to make a decision to follow Jesus or take their next step, transforming them into growing kids, plugged into church and growing in their faith.

### **How would they describe themselves?**

They may say they like church, like RSC, like a lot of things, but may not know how to answer when asked about their relationship with God. They may say things like, “I've always gone to church.” Or, “I've always done that,” but can't articulate their faith (or lack of faith) in Jesus.

### **How do you help Whatever Kids identify and take a step?**

We may meet several at RSC or at church. First, we get to know them by building a relationship. As with any student, ask great questions and communicate care. The second thing we want to do with whatever kids is SPEND time with them. As you get to know them, go to a game or a concert of theirs, get to know them in your group. Just find some ways to connect with them and spend time with them. Once you are able to build this relationship with a student, you can then move to DEEPER CONVERSATIONS. You can start with questions about their thoughts and feelings about RSC and then ask how it is practically moving in life. Again, like the Checking things Out Kid - Ask, Listen, and Teach. Finally, as they open up more, invite them to do something that would help you both grow together. Read through a study or a book together, send them a site and ask them their thoughts. Send a song and ask them what they think....

Remember, your goal with the Whatever Kid is to help them connect the dots from whatever to how to practically take a step with God and experience what he has for you.