

Overview of Leadership Structures

Develop a Sunday school leadership structure that makes your program manageable.

You may already have a solid working leadership structure in place. If not, here are three models to consider as you work to improve your current leadership structure.

Small Sunday School

Coordinator (Pastor, Professional, Volunteer)

recruit teachers, plan curriculum, plan yearly schedule, select lessons, support teachers

Teachers

prepare and teach weekly lessons

Administrative help

schedule teachers, weekly announcements, reminder messages, substitutes, etc.

Mid-sized Sunday School

Coordinator (Pastor, Professional, Volunteer)

recruit teachers, plan yearly schedule, select curriculum, communicate with coordinators

Age Group Coordinators

select and distribute weekly lessons for one age group, schedule teachers, support teachers in one age group

Teachers

prepare and teach weekly lessons

Administrative help

weekly announcements, substitutes, etc.

Large Sunday School

Coordinator (Pastor, Professional, Volunteer)

recruit teachers, plan yearly schedule, select curriculum, organize meetings, communicate with coordinators

Age Group Coordinators

schedule teachers, select and distribute weekly lessons for one age group, support teachers in one age group, communicate with teachers

Teachers

prepare and teach weekly lessons

Administrative Help

weekly announcements in church newsletter, schedule assistants, record substitute changes, etc.

Teaching Assistants

help out during lesson times

Administrative Help

weekly reminder emails or calls to teachers on duty

Teaching Assistants

Order supplies, make copies, arrange for set up and/or cleanup after lessons

