



Kids Ministry Volunteer Information



Escondido Adventist Church

Kids Ministry Volunteer Positions

Serving children and their families is a vital ministry at the Escondido SDA Church. Thank you for your interest in partnering with us as we look to help our children grow in their love for Jesus.

Our Mission: “And you must commit yourselves wholeheartedly to these commands that I am giving you today. Repeat them again and again to your children. Talk about them when you are at home and when you are on the road, when you are going to bed and when you are getting up.” Deuteronomy 6:6 & 7

Areas to serve within Children’s Ministry:

- **Sabbath School Teacher**
 - Preschool (Cradle Roll, birth – 4 years)
 - Kinder/1st (5 years – 1st grade)
 - 2/3 grades (Primary)
 - 4/5 grades (Juniors)
 - The Middle (6-8th grades)
- **Sabbath School Assist**
 - (All areas listed above)
- **Children’s Hallway Greeter**
- **Pathfinders**
 - Director
 - Leadership/Teachers
- **Adventurers**
 - Director
 - Assistant
- **Special Event Planning**
- **Vacation Bible School**

Children’s Ministry training lessons can be found at <https://growingtogetherchurch.org/>
The login is: **escdsa**



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Kids Ministry Leadership Requirements

All volunteers over the age of 18 must complete the SECC background check and online training every two years. A one-time life scan must be done.

<https://www.ncsrisk.org/adventist/>

Attend church regularly. While at church and/or church events, look for the kids in your ministry even on your "off weeks". Connect with the children and their parents. Take time to pray for the children you serve. Connect, also, with the children's ministry team. Whether you serve once a month, or once a year for an event, your voice, and your God – given shape is needed in our ministry!

Sabbath School Teacher (Kinder/1st, Primary, Juniors & The Middle)

- Complete background check & online training once every two years.
- If you cannot make one of your scheduled weeks, please contact the other teachers in your class and look for a swap. Message Tami Cooper and inform her of the schedule change.
- Prior to Saturday review and prepare your lesson from curriculum found at growingtogetherchurch.org (see login information above.) This usually takes 1.5 hours during the week.
- Gather any materials needed for teaching the lesson.
- Arrive at 9:10am for set up and prayer with other teachers. (Prayer is at 9:15am)
- Arrange for a substitute teacher if you cannot make it to class on Sabbath.
- Greet children warmly and check in on their week.
- Teach the lesson enthusiastically. Move children around the room during your hour together, utilize the tables and the floor.
- At 10:30 am do not release children until a parent is present to pick them up. At this time hand the "Field Note" for the week to the parent and encourage them to complete this together over the coming week.
- Clean up classroom. Leave offerings with teaching supplies.
- Pray for the children in your class throughout the week. If there is a concern or need determined communicate with Tami Cooper to bring to the pastoral staff.
- Attend quarterly training/Children's Ministry Meetings.



Sabbath School Assistants

- Complete background check & online training once every two years.
- Review the lesson at growingtogetherchurch.org so that you will understand the material.
- Arrive at 9:10am to assist with set up and join in prayer time.
- Assist the teacher with helping children. Interact with the children, aide them with crafts, participate in singing or games.
- Help clean the room at the end of class.
- Attend quarterly training/Children's Ministry Meetings.

Cradle Roll Lead (birth – 4 years)

- Complete background check & online training once every two years.
- Work with Cradle Roll teachers to decorate the room based off the theme of the quarter.
- Prepare monthly lessons and print copies to be used by the teachers.
- Assemble baskets for each child to use during the class. (Once a month.)
- Restock snacks as needed.
- Restock birthday bin as needed.
- Prepare teaching schedule and post in the room.

Cradle Roll Teacher

- Complete background check & online training once every two years.
- If you cannot make one of your scheduled weeks, please contact the other teachers in your class and look for a swap.
- Arrive at 9:10am to set up room and join the 9:15am prayer.
- Assist the leader in quarterly room décor and set up.
- Prepare the week's craft and have it set up before children and parents arrive.
- Greet each child and their parent warmly. Encourage parental involvement in singing and motions.
- Enthusiastically teach the lesson as prepared by the leader.
- Pray for the children in your class throughout the week. If there is a concern or need to be determined communicate with Tami Cooper to bring to the pastoral staff.



Children's Hallway Greeter

- Complete background check & online training once every two years.
- Arrive on Saturday by 9:15am for prayer with teachers.
- Greet children and families with warmth and enthusiasm.
- Help visiting families and children find the appropriate classroom. If they are comfortable have parents fill out visitor book, give them options for adult class locations and remind them pick up time is 10:30am.
- Stay in the hallway during class time, assist security team with concerns if they arise.
- Aid teachers in monitoring pick up at the end of class.

Pathfinder Director

- Complete Live Scan. Complete background, DMV check & online training once every two years.
- Oversee all operations of the Pathfinder Club.
- Schedule and oversee meetings with your Pathfinder leadership. Together plan weekly meetings, AY, Honors and outings.
- Communicate needs, plans, and changes to parents through newsletter, email, social media and quarterly meetings.
- Work with Adventurer director to schedule opening devotional speakers.
- Pray for club members weekly.

Pathfinder Leadership

- Complete Live Scan. Complete background, DMV check & online training once every two years.
- Attend planning meetings as set by the PF Director.
- Attend Pathfinder meetings on the first and third Wednesday of each month.
- Arrive early to help set up.
- Greet Pathfinders and families warmly.
- Plan and teach Honors.
- Plan and teach Bible study (AY).
- Help to maintain order in meetings.
- Attend outings and Camporees (outings average once a month.)
- Encourage community growth within the club. Help foster friendship between members.
- Pray for club members weekly.



Adventurer Director

- Complete background & online training once every two years.
- Oversee all operations of the Adventurer Club.
- Schedule and oversee meetings with your Adventurer leadership. Together plan weekly meetings, Honors and outings.
- Arrange snack parents for each meeting.
- Communicate needs, plans, and changes to parents through newsletter, email, social media and quarterly meetings.
- Work with Pathfinder director to schedule opening devotional speakers.
- Pray for club members weekly.

Adventurer Assistants

- Complete background & online training once every two years.
- Assist the Adventurer Director in running Honors and providing snacks.
- Pray for club members weekly.

Special Event Planning

- Complete background & online training once every two years.
- Meet with Tami Cooper to plan events such as:
 - Trunk or Treat
 - 5th Sabbath group Sabbath School
 - Resurrection Celebration
 - Family Movie/Game Nights