



Children and Youth
of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints
Introduction for Area and Coordinating Councils

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Vision

Strengthen the rising generation's faith in Jesus Christ, and help children, youth, and their families progress along the covenant path as they meet life's challenges.

Help children and youth become worthy disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ through:

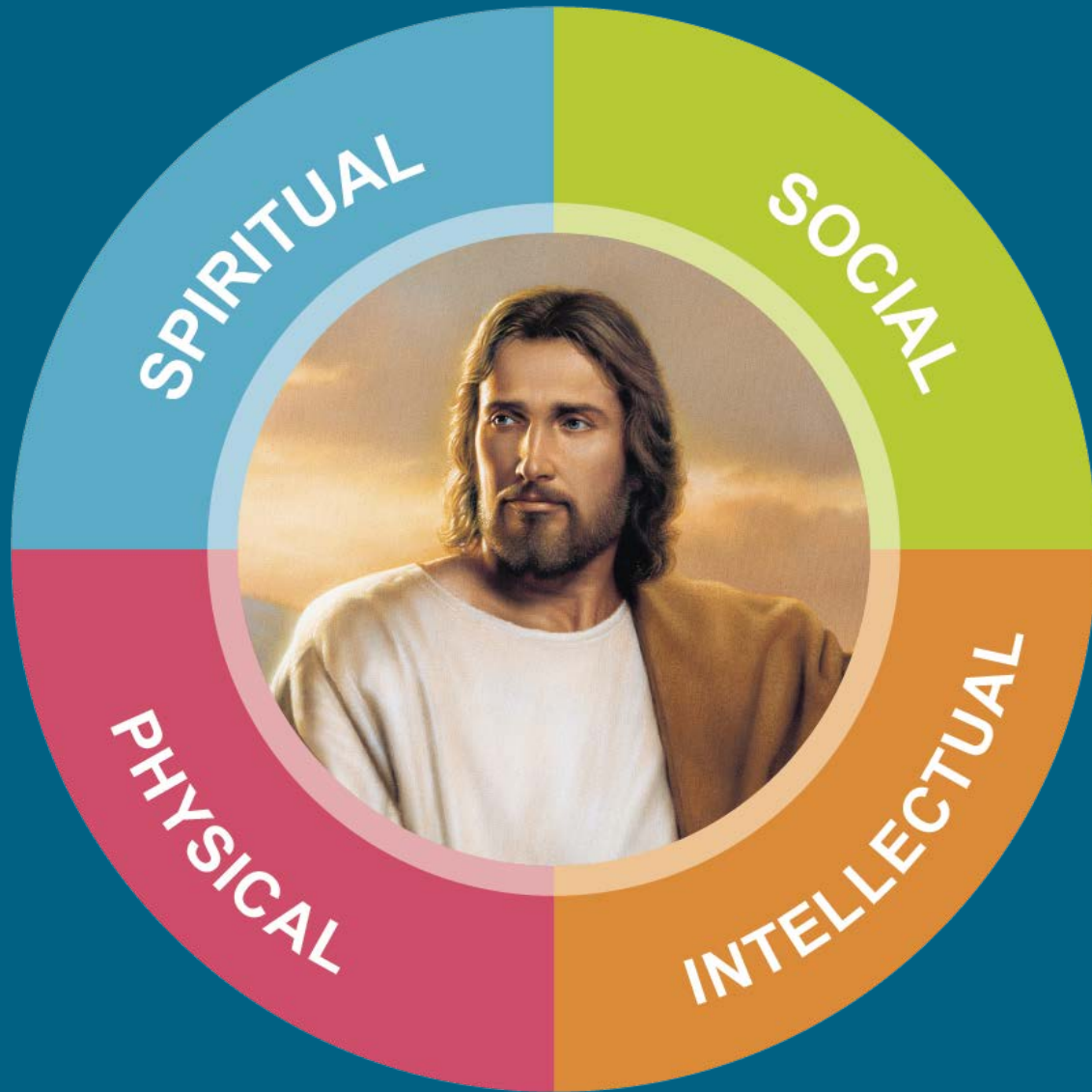
- Gospel learning
- Service and activities
- Personal development



Desired Outcomes

Children and youth will:

- Know their eternal identity and purpose.
- Deepen their conversion to Jesus Christ, getting His gospel into their hearts and being inspired to choose to follow Him.
- Fulfill Aaronic Priesthood duties.
- Participate together in the work of salvation.
- Develop personally, with parental support and leaders assisting as needed.
- Be worthy to attend the temple and have enduring joy on the covenant path.



Four Areas of Growth

“Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.”

Luke 2:52

Three Areas of Application

Growth in all four areas is nurtured in each of these areas of application:

Home-Centered



Church-Supported

Home-Centered (Families)



Church-Supported (Leaders)

Gospel Learning

Home-Centered

- Personal and family gospel study
- *Come, Follow Me*

Church-Supported

- Sabbath instruction
- Seminary



Home-Centered (Families)

Gospel
Learning

Service
and
Activities

Personal
Development

Church-Supported (Leaders)

Service and Activities

Home-Centered

- Home evening
- Family service and activities
- Ministering



Church-Supported

- Ordinance of the sacrament
- Service and activity ideas
- JustServe
- Multiday activities
- Ministering assignments



Youth Multiday Activities



- Young Men camps
- Young Women camps
- Youth conferences
- Treks



For the Strength of Youth Conferences

- The Church has provided For the Strength of Youth (FSY) conferences outside the United States and Canada. Large groups of youth gather together, strengthen each other's faith, learn and apply doctrine, build friendships, and participate in wholesome activities.
- FSY conferences will now also be provided in the United States and Canada. Young men and young women will participate twice in the last four years of their experience.



Home-Centered (Families)

Gospel
Learning

Service
and
Activities

Personal
Development

Church-Supported (Leaders)

Personal Development

Home-Centered

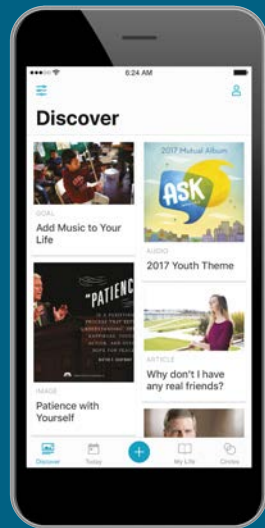
- Personal goals
- Family goals
- Guidance
- Encouragement

Church-Supported

- Guidance
- Encouragement
- Goal ideas and tools
- Ward resources



Adaptable Resource Materials



Mobile



Web



Print

Help Children Succeed

Ensure that:

- Primary presidencies are called and taught their roles.
- Primary classes and singing time are functioning.
- Meaningful activities for boys and girls are held (meeting separately, where possible).

Help Youth Succeed

- Ensure that quorum and class presidencies are called.
- Teach adult leaders how to help quorum and class presidencies lead in planning regular and meaningful activities.
- Help each youth be worthy to receive a limited-use temple recommend.
- Help prepare boys to receive and advance in the priesthood.
- Help bishops hold regular bishopric youth committee meetings (BYC).

Help Parents and Families Succeed

- Encourage families and individuals to include *Come, Follow Me* in their gospel study.
- Help parents, children, and youth to strengthen their relationships.
- Ensure that ministering brothers and sisters are assigned to strengthen families who need additional support.
- Encourage parents to read the *Introductory Guide for Parents and Leaders*
(childrenandyouth.ChurchofJesusChrist.org/leader).

Next Steps

- Seek inspiration regarding the needs of the children, youth, and families in your stake.
- Schedule a meeting with bishops and the stake council to show and discuss this presentation.
- Reserve the class hour on September 29, 2019, for the introductory presentation.
- Announce the Face to Face event that will be held on November 17, 2019.
- Review additional information at childrenandyouth.ChurchofJesusChrist.org/leader.

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