



# 2022 Middler & Senior High Small Groups Information & FAQs

Worship & Music Conference youth participate in choir twice daily and in small groups daily Monday – Friday. Additionally, Middlers may register for up to three daily electives & Senior Highs may register for up to four electives.

## **Why Small Groups?**

Youth attend the Worship & Music Conferences with their choirs, their youth groups, their churches, their families, and so on. Some youth may know many youth from their own church, while other youth may know very few. The idea for Small Groups is to provide an opportunity to make new friends and form better relationships among *all* youth.

## **How will it work?**

Youth will be placed in small groups with no more than 25 youth per small group. (Middler and Senior High will have separate small groups.) Small groups will be centered around the Scripture heard in worship.

## **Who will lead the Small Groups?**

Each small group will be led by ONE Small Group Leader (SGL). Chaperones Attending Classes will be required to attend small groups as part of their chaperone duties. They will assist SGLs with discussions and activities.

## **How may I apply to serve as an SGL?**

You may apply at <https://forms.gle/GDQvjvRRPLSpwf9P7>. A limited number of SGL applications will be accepted to serve as SGLs at the conferences. In gratitude for your time and talents, PAM will waive the Chaperone Fee (\$50), and provide one gratis child or youth conference registration (\$280). You are still expected to serve as a chaperone in addition to your SGL duties.

## **FAQs:**

### **As an SGL, may I attend other Adult classes outside of the Small Group times?**

No, only registered Adults & Young Adults may attend Adult/Young Adult offerings. You may chaperone additional youth and children classes only. We expect SGLs to attend daily worship as it will be central to small group topics. You are invited and encouraged to attend all evening events.

**Will there be required background checks on SGLs?**

Yes, all SGLs will be required to undergo a background check and reference check.

**Will materials be provided to SGLs to lead the small group discussions and activities?**

Yes, Rev. Linda Kurtz, Small Group Facilitator, will create the small group materials for middler and SH small groups, assemble the small groups, communicate with the SGLs and lead daily SGL meetings. **The small group manual will be distributed via e-mail to SGLs no later than May 15<sup>th</sup>.** SGLs will be responsible for printing copies of the manual for themselves or providing an appropriate device (for instance, a tablet) from which they can lead a small group.

**Will SGLs receive training prior to the start of the conference?**

Yes, the SGL training takes place on Sunday afternoon (June 19/June 26) from 3:00pm-5:00pm. There will also be daily SGL meetings Monday-Thursday.