

Guidelines for Choosing Presenting Team Members

1. When asked to be a Weekend Leader, the person must accept the following guidelines:
 - a. **ALL** choices of team members must be made with the approval of the Spiritual Director/Assistant Spiritual Directors.
 - b. **NO ONE** should be asked or promised to be on a team until after the team selection meeting except for the two assistants who have already been approved by the Spiritual Director.
 - c. When initial contact with potential team members is made, the Weekend Leader is to emphasize the importance of attendance at all meetings and the need to be free to participate the entire weekend. If they cannot make the commitment, we ask that they be reconsidered for a possible future TEC.
 - d. To follow the TEC manual and not make any changes without consultation with the Spiritual Director.
2. There should be at least eight (8) adults on the team, excluding the Leader and Assistants. Check with Spiritual Director regarding adult table leaders with no TEC experience.
 - a. For our purposes, an adult would be someone 22 years of age or older because of the type of lived experience we are looking for in an adult team member.
 - b. It is recommended that no adult/teen should be asked to serve on more than one presenting team or wheat team per calendar year (i.e. one wheat team and one presenting team service is okay).
 - c. There should be no more than three (3) adults on the presenting team who have had no previous experience with TEC.
 - d. Each team will have three (3) assistants. One of those assistants will be recommended by the Spiritual Direction.
3. There should be eight (8) teen/young adults on each team.
 - a. Teens/young adults will be chosen based on their involvement in the TEC program. Preference will be given to those who complete and submitted applications.
 - b. Teens/adults should be integrated by area and schools.
4. Team members will be assigned the following talks and the Team Selection Committee should consider the following qualifications:
 - a. Adult Team Members: (Married couple is considered as one adult for meditation purposes.)
 - i. God Experiences – Given by the Weekend Leader
 - ii. God: A Community of Love – Given by a person of mature Christian spirituality
 - iii. Christian Life – Given by a prayerful person who would be comfortable leading others in prayer and who is exemplifying a Christian life
 - iv. Church: People of God – Given by someone having a good sense of and experience of a Christian community
 - v. Signs – Must be given by a Catholic, who can convey the importance of the Eucharist in their life, since this meditation leads into the Sunday Eucharist
 - vi. Discipleship – Given by someone who is aware of responding to their call to holiness; a Christian in action

- b. Teen/Young Adult Team Members
 - i. Growth & Ideals – Given by someone with direction in their life and has set and pursued goals
 - ii. Change of Heart – Given by someone who has recognized a need for change in their life and is willing to share that experience
 - iii. Young Christian as Disciple – Given by an “involved” Christian, possibly a recent college graduate or a TECite in their early twenties (20s)
 - iv. Beyond TEC – Given by a TECite who has been very active since making their weekend
 - v. Minstrel – Must be comfortable preparing music for liturgies and who will be supported by one of the adult assistants
 - c. Table Leaders
 - i. Need three (3) teens
 - ii. Need three (3) adults
 - d. Meditations given by Spiritual Director and/or Assistant Spiritual Directors:
 - i. Paschal Mystery
 - ii. Metanoia & Reconciliation
5. Important Criteria for all Team Selections
- a. TEC is for the candidates. All decisions should be made keeping the candidates foremost in mind.
 - b. When there is any parent/teen situation is considered, it is suggested that a healthy relationship is already in existence.
 - c. Diocesan policy states that anyone living with someone out of wedlock cannot serve on a TEC team.
 - d. Exceptions to this list may be made in consultation with the Spiritual Director