

TEACHING CHALLENGE

PURPOSE:

To encourage young people to develop creative teaching skills.

PROCESS:

Each participant will:

- Follow the guidelines stated below and adhere to instructions from their teaching mentor.
- Fill out the pre-convention challenge event certification form on page 55 and provide a typed or neatly written report of the teaching activities the participant was involved in including, dates, number of students in each class and the ages of the students.

The Coach or Church Coordinator will:

- Assist students in finding teaching mentors.
- Make certain that the students are correctly registered as LTC participants and complete all requirements by the Pre-Convention Event deadline.
- By the Pre-Convention deadline, the coach or church coordinator will submit Teaching Challenge entries on the Pre-Convention certification form to the event coordinator. Please mark what medal the participant should receive.
- Mail a self-addressed postcard to the Event Coordinator if confirmation of receipt of the event entries is desired. Please submit one postcard **per event** per congregation.

The Event Coordinator will:

- Confirm receipt of event entries to the church coordinator if a self-addressed postcard is included with the congregation entries

RULES:

1. Students from grades 3 to 12 may participate in this event: this is an individual event, not a team event.
2. The participant should be at least three years older than the class that he or she is teaching.
3. As a helper, the participant must aid the teacher in preparing for the class. This would include things such as cutting out handwork, coloring and preparing visual aids, preparing artwork, etc.
4. As a helper and teacher, the participant must aid the teacher in preparing for the class and teach a portion of the class such as the Bible lesson or the application story, etc.
5. As a teacher, the participant is responsible for preparing for the class and teaching the whole class time.
6. Participants should complete these tasks with the same class and are encouraged to complete these tasks within consecutive weeks.

AWARDS:

There will be three levels of recognition in the Grades 3 – 6 division:

- Bronze – one class period as a helper and one class period as a helper and teacher (two weeks).
- Silver – two class periods as a helper and one class period as a helper and a teacher (three weeks).
- Gold – two class periods as a helper and two class periods as a helper and teacher (four weeks).

There will be three levels of recognition in the Grades 7 – 12 division:

- Bronze - one class period as a helper and one class period as a helper and a teacher (two weeks).
- Silver – one class period as a helper and two class periods as a helper and a teacher (three weeks).
- Gold – one class period as a helper, two class periods as a helper and a teacher, and one class period as a teacher (four weeks).