

Youth Ministry Coordinator Job Description

This role has at its heart a priority on engaging and building relationships with the young people of SVC, supporting their peer relationships and their love of God. The journey of faith for young people needs open, supportive adults and inspirational experiences as well as opportunities to engage with peers who share their faith. The role includes gathering a group of adults to serve the Youth Ministry and working towards a rhythm of sessions for the young people, likely to involve monthly Sunday morning sessions and fortnightly afternoon/ evening sessions such as a Housegroup, drop in or social events.

The young people included are between the school year of 7 and 13 and can be treated as one group or two. Following a gap in provision for them and the effects of the pandemic they are currently a fairly scattered group.

Qualifications for the position:

Passion for being part of Southampton Vineyard Church and connecting young people to Jesus and to the church

Experience of and ability to work well with young people and their parents

Commitment to growing personally in faith and helping young people to grow in faith

A basic understanding of Safeguarding and how this might relate to church Youth Ministry

A desire to engage in a team atmosphere

Strong written, IT, organisational and verbal communication skills

Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to inspire, motivate and support volunteers

Ability to deal with information in an ethical, confidential manner and respond with sensitivity

Creative and flexible approach to people and work

General

- The Ministry Coordinator Youth is 0.5 days per week, the hours are flexible to fit around meetings and demands of the role and the hours that mutually suit the staff member and the role.
- The role will require some Sunday morning commitments and some evening work.
- Staff will have a church email address as a main point of contact and reimbursement of necessary expenses incurred as agreed.
- Staff will participate in termly Oversight meetings
- This role is answerable to the Pastors and includes meeting six weekly for support and oversight.

Youth Ministry:

This role is to support the young people of the church to foster a relationship with God and to learn what it means to be a Christian in their family, friendship and educational situations and a part of the church family. The responsibilities of the position include but are not exclusive to:

- Gathering and coordinating a group of Team members to serve the Youth Ministry and support the various 'meetings' on a rota basis
- Arrange and facilitate a schedule of sessions for the Youth that includes biblical and spiritual content and opportunities for prayer
- Planning material for these sessions and sharing in advance with other Team members
- Arrange and facilitate a schedule of meeting points for the Youth that focus on building relationships and enjoying social activities.
- Explore and encourage wider opportunities for the young people to engage with other young Christians whether locally or at national events
- Ensuring that appropriate Permissions and personal information is in place and kept updated.
- Ensure that the Safeguarding Policy is up to date and shared with the Team on a yearly basis