



Teen Council Program Announcement April 2025

We're reaching out to communicate about some small changes to where you will access the Teen Council curriculum, support materials, and trainings **effective July 1, 2025**. These changes will allow us to streamline all the Spark*ED programs:

- All Spark*ED curricula (Teen Council, LiFT and INcluded) will be accessed via the [SparkED.net website](#)
- All Spark*ED trainings (Teen Council, LiFT, INcluded and Spark*ED) will be accessed via the [SparkED Learning Management System](#)
- The links on the SparkED.net Teen Council page will be updated so you will still be able to easily access trainings, curriculum and support materials from one location.

Accessing the Teen Council Curriculum and Support Materials – Effective July 1, 2025

You will be able to access all Teen Council curriculum and support materials on the SparkEd.net website with your annual Teen Council subscription renewal. The renewal rate remains the same at \$2,000 per Teen Council.

The materials you have accessed on the Teen Council Learning Management System will be moved to the Teen Council page on SparkED.net ~~in order to~~ allow us to house all our curricula under one platform (Teen Council, INcluded and LiFT). These include:

- **Updated** set of Teen Council Lessons
- **Updated** Teen Council Program Guide
- Teen Council Logo Files
- Peer Education & Presentations
- Manager Resources
- About Teen Council (Program Outreach materials)
- Advocacy materials
- Recruitment and Engagement materials

Accessing the Teen Council Trainings – Effective July 1, 2025

You will be able to access Teen Council trainings on the [SparkED Learning Management System](#). The links on the SparkED.net Teen Council page will be updated so you will still be able to easily access trainings, curriculum and support materials from one location.

TC Refresher Training Modules

We will continue to offer access to the Teen Council self-paced refresher training modules. Each organization will receive a training registration code with your annual subscription renewal which will allow Teen Council facilitators and managers to access the following trainings:

- Implicit Bias in Recruitment & Selection
- Navigating Turbulent Times
- Paradox in Group Facilitation
- Planning for an Engaging Year
- Transformational Learning
- Teen Council Leadership Series: Onboarding New Facilitators



- Teen Council Leadership Series: The Role of a Manager

TC Foundations Training

We will continue to offer Teen Council Foundations Training for new facilitators, using the hybrid training model you are all familiar with. Participants can register and pay for the training on the Learning Management System. The registration rate for Teen Council Foundations will increase to \$1,500 per participant to reflect the cost of providing the 35-hour training program.

TC Foundations training consists of:

- 12 hours of virtual instructor-led training in August 2025 focusing on the basic information and skills of setting up and running the year-long Teen Council program.
- 15 self-paced modules to be completed between July 2025 – June 2026. Modules include:
 1. Welcome to TC - This brief module will introduce you to Teen Council by sharing the history, purpose, and impact of the program.
 2. Peer Education Facilitation Model – Introduction to ~~one~~ of the Peer Education Facilitation Model.
 3. TC Empowerment Model – Introduction to the Teen Council model that will help facilitators identify what to prioritize when facilitating.
 4. Group Stages of Development - This brief module explores the five stages of Teen Council group development.
 5. Scope & Sequence – This module will help facilitators identify what to think about as they envision the year ~~ahead, and~~ ahead and will guide them in crafting their very own Teen Council scope and sequence.
 6. Weekly Meetings & Trainings - Weekly meetings are the heart of Teen Council. This three-part module will cover the essential elements related to meetings, how the Peer Ed Facilitation model is reflected during Teen Council trainings, best practices of training, and more.
 7. TC Presentations - Peer Led Sex Ed: It's the reason most Teen Council members joined Teen Council!! What do presentations actually look like? And what does the facilitator *do* while Teen Council members are teaching? This module will answer these questions and more.
 8. Peer Education Skills - Peer Led Sex Ed: It's the reason most Teen Council members joined Teen Council!! What do presentations actually look like? And what does the facilitator *do* while Teen Council members are teaching? This module will answer these questions and more.
 9. Feedback - Feedback is one of a facilitator's most effective tools for building strong peer educators and connected Teen Council groups. This module will break down the what, when, and how of giving effective feedback to Teen Council members.
 10. Navigating Facilitation Challenges - Experiencing and navigating the challenges of the Teen Council program takes skill and practice. This module discusses the most common facilitation challenges and offers three helpful steps to resolving these challenges.
 11. Recognition & Celebration - Teen Council members deserve to be recognized for their contributions and dedication to peer education! This module highlights all the

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- celebration-worthy parts of this program and gives loads of ideas for how to honour individual members and the group.
12. Recruitment - Recruitment is a year-long process. This 2 part module explores the impacts of successful recruitment and covers the essential elements and best practices of recruitment, including how to implement the most effective recruitment strategies in your own community.
 13. Interviews & Selection - There are 9 steps to successful interviews and selection. This 3 part module will describe how to prepare for, execute, and complete the process. By balancing the principles and values with logistical aspects, interviews and selection to be inclusive, warm, and organized.
 14. Transitions - The end of the Teen Council year overlaps with the start of the upcoming group. This module will explore this unique phase of the group process and offer ideas for commemorating one group while welcoming the next.
 15. Retreat - Retreat is the foundation of the Teen Council year! This module will cover the purpose of Teen Council, Important considerations in planning, the essential elements and best practices of retreat, and a sample agenda.