

Curriculum and Teacher Improvement



Curriculum

The Church provides priesthood quorum and auxiliary curriculum materials. The Area Presidency provides instructions regarding the materials to be used each year. The instructions are provided with the annual shipment of materials from the Church distribution or service center. The publication *Information for Priesthood and Auxiliary Leaders on Curriculum* (36363), which is available through priesthood leaders, contains an overview of Church curriculum. Leaders and teachers are encouraged to use only approved Church instructional materials and to avoid using commercial products.

The *First Presidency Messages*, *Visiting Teaching Messages*, and resources in the *Liahona* provide material to refresh and enrich lessons in curriculum manuals. These materials are available in print and in electronic form on the Church's official Internet site, www.lds.org. Where the *Liahona* is available, each family in the branch should subscribe.

Teacher Improvement

Parents, leaders, and teachers have a sacred responsibility to teach the gospel of Jesus Christ. Through their efforts, others can learn how to apply gospel truths in everyday living. The Lord said: "I give unto you a

commandment that you shall teach one another the doctrine of the kingdom. Teach ye diligently and my grace shall attend you" (D&C 88:77–78).

The branch presidency is responsible for the quality of teaching in the

branch. When the branch has sufficient strength, the presidency calls a brother or sister to serve as the branch teacher improvement coordinator.

For more information on teaching and teacher improvement, see the *Teaching Guidebook*.

