



2026 VBS Volunteer Roles & Descriptions

Monday, July 20- Friday, July 24, 2026, 9am-12pm (Drop off begins at 8:50)

All volunteers are asked to attend our VBS Volunteer Training on Sunday, July 12, 2:00-4:00. Youth volunteers will also be required to attend an additional training Wednesday, July 15 at 6pm.

Small Group Leader/ Assistant

Time commitment- *8:30-12:30 Monday- Friday

- Each small group will have an adult (18+) Small Group Leader and an adult or youth Small Group Assistant.
- Lead a small group of children through daily activities and rotations throughout the week.
- Preview daily Bible Study lessons and be ready to lead/ support the Bible Study lessons and activities.
- All lessons, activities, and supplies will be planned and prepared, ready to use.
- Get to know and build relationships with the children in your group.
- Prepare and maintain the small group room for daily activities, including basic set up and clean up.
- Pray with the children daily.
- Maintain and follow all safety & security procedures.

Craft Leader/ Assistant

Time commitment- 9:00-12:00 Monday- Friday

- Lead 3 craft rotations daily.
- All activities and supplies will be planned and prepared, ready to use.
- Craft leaders will direct Craft Assistants to engage with the children and assist with set up and clean up.

Missions Leader/ Assistant

Time commitment- 9:00-12:00 Monday- Friday

- Missions leaders will be an active part of the Missions Team in planning age appropriate activities for each day according to our curriculum.
- Missions leaders will lead 3 Missions rotations daily.
- All lessons, activities, and supplies will be planned and prepared, ready to use.
- Missions leaders will direct Missions Assistants to engage with the children and assist with set up and clean up.

Rec Assistant

Time commitment- 9:00-12:00 Monday-Friday

- Jr. VBS, VBS and VBX Rec Directors will direct Rec Assistants to engage with the children during Rec activities and assist with set up and clean up.
- Reinforce all safety policies and procedures to help Rec run smoothly and successfully each day.

Floater

Time commitment- *8:30-12:30 Monday- Friday

- Floaters (adults and youth) will be ready to serve in a variety of ways, according to daily needs. This may include a substitute role in case of volunteer absence.
- Floaters' daily role will be assigned by Volunteer Director during volunteer check-in.

Security/ Greeter (18+ only)

Time commitment- * 8:15-12:30 Monday- Friday

- Our Security/ Greeter team (18+ only) is in place throughout the VBS morning to provide a warm welcome and safe environment to all volunteers, children and parents, to include drop-off and pick-up.
- Monitor all entrances/ exits throughout the day.
- Maintain and follow all safety & security procedures. Communicate safety & security procedures to volunteers and parents, as needed.
- Assist parents with late drop-offs and early pick-ups.
- Maintain communication with VBS Leadership Team and Kids Ministry Staff as needed throughout the morning.

Nursery/ Childcare

Time commitment- * 8:15-1:00 Monday- Friday

- Work alongside Mount Vernon Childcare Ministry in the nursery (2 and under) or leading a class of 3 or 4 year olds whose parents are volunteering/ directing.
- Nursery leaders of 3 year olds and under will choose from a variety of supplies and activities to allow for free play, story time, art, games, playground, etc.
- Nursery leaders of 4 year olds will fully participate in Jr. VBS according to the provided schedule and lesson plans.
- Nursery workers will follow parent directions for feeding, napping, diapering to the best of their ability.

Shepherd Team

Time commitment- 9:00-12:00 Wednesday, July 22- Friday, July 24

- Meet with children one-on-one who are interested in talking more about their own decision to trust in Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior.
- Utilize provided materials to communicate the truth of the gospel in a clear, age-appropriate, encouraging way.
- Pray with children and encourage them to continue to seek a personal relationship with Jesus. Lead a child in a salvation prayer when they indicate readiness.
- Utilize decision cards to communicate children's decisions and next steps with Mount Vernon Kids leadership.

1:1 Buddy for Special Needs Ministry

Time commitment- * 8:30-12:00 Monday- Friday

- Provide 1:1 support for children registered with Mount Vernon Special Needs Ministry, under the direction of Minister for Special Needs to Children and Students and Mount Vernon Kids staff.
- Support and encourage child throughout all VBS activities, working to ensure a safe and meaningful experience.
- Identify times when a break will be beneficial and accompany your child to the Sensory Room for a break.
- Maintain communication with Minister for Special Needs to Children and Students throughout the day.

***Please note that early drop off for volunteers' children is available for volunteers who are asked to arrive *before* 9:00. Volunteers asked to arrive at 9:00 or later will drop off children to their assigned small groups at 8:50 before reporting to their volunteer assignment.**