
Getting Started with Royal Rangers

Starting a new Royal Rangers outpost can be an exciting experience. As you dream and consider all the wonderful things God will do through your church to forever change the lives of boys and families in our community, you can find joy and hope in the process. This worksheet provides a step-by-step process for getting started that will guide your discussions as you define what your Royal Rangers program will look like. Refer to the “Get Started” page on the “StartRoyalRangers.com” website for additional information.

STEP 1: Learn

The first step in starting a new Royal Rangers outpost is to learn all you can about the program. Begin by reviewing the following materials to ensure you have a solid understanding of the program and the process for getting started:

- Review the mission & methods of Royal Rangers as stated on the Royal Rangers national website at “RoyalRangers.com/about.”*
- View the QuickStart video series on YouTube.*
- Read Section 1 of the Royal Rangers Leader Manual.*
- Review the information provided online at “StartRoyalRangers.com.”*

STEP 2: Enlist

Review the recommended qualifications for Royal Rangers leaders found on the national website at “RoyalRangers.com/policies/leaders.” Then, consider the following questions:

1. *What process will be used for selecting, screening, and appointing leaders?*
2. *Who will serve as the adult leaders for each age group?*
3. *Who will serve as outpost coordinator?*
4. *What qualifications and commitments will we ask of them?*
5. *Will they be asked to serve indefinitely or for a limited period of time?*

STEP 3: Equip

Leaders need to be well equipped for their roles, and families need to be fully aware of what to expect to ensure the success of your program. Consider the following questions:

1. *How and when will we discuss our plans with all our outpost leaders?*
2. *How and when will we share our plans with the boys and parents in our church?*
3. *How will our leaders be trained for their roles?*

STEP 4: Plan

Once your leaders are in place, its time to start planning your program. Consider the following questions to help in defining the details:

1. *When and where will our meetings take place, and how long will they last?*
2. *Which age groups will we offer?*
3. *What types of uniforms will our boys and leaders wear?*
4. *To what extent will the advancement system be used?*
5. *Will our program continue year-round or take breaks during the summer or over the holidays?*
6. *How will our ministry be funded?*

STEP 5: Resource

Now, it's time to begin gathering the resources you will need to make your program work. Review the "Startup Resources" page of the "StartRoyalRangers.com" website for assistance.

1. *Which curriculum tracks of TRaCclub will we need?*
2. *How many boy's handbooks will we need?*
3. *How many Leader Manuals are needed?*
4. *Do we need any other equipment for supplies for the rooms we will be meeting in?*

STEP 6: Promote

It's important to define who you are trying to reach with this program (your target audience) and how you will connect with them. Discuss your plans by answering the following questions.

1. *Who are we expecting to participate in this program?*
2. *How will they know it exists?*
3. *How will we promote our program within the community?*

STEP 7: Launch

Now that your plans are made, it's time to start your program.

1. When will we begin this program?
2. What will we do the first night to ensure it is fun and engaging?

STEP 8: Maintain

Over time, as your program continues, you may experience challenges or unexpected situations that may require reconsideration of some aspects of your plans. This is normal and shouldn't interrupt your progress if you have made good preparations. Consider the following:

1. *How is going? Do we need to make any adjustments?*
2. *How and when will we regularly review our progress once the program is started?*
3. *How will we measure success?*