

If you have been at Sonlight for several years, you know that Week 10 has always been the week we turn in commitment forms. With that has always come the excitement of the drawing of names to see in what order families are able to register their students for the following semester. After examining how other co-ops operate registration, beginning next semester we are going to try something new! We are moving to a point system. The hope is that using this system will enhance the Sonlight experience.. It also rewards members who do a little extra. The registration list will be made by placing families in order from the greatest number of points to the least. We will still register in small groups, but the first groups will be those with the largest number of points. Parent registration will go in the same order, but as always every parent request may not be honored if it doesn't meet the overall needs of our classes. Below is our preliminary list of ways to earn points:

Teaching, cleaning or set-up responsibility	5 points
One Additional teaching responsibility	5 points
Additional co-teaching responsibility	2 points
Perfect attendance for the semester	5 points
Missing only 1 week of Sonlight per semester	2 points
Enrolling in and attending Sonlight all 5 hours (for the semester)	3 points
Volunteering to stay late to clean when a plea for help is requested on the announcements or Remind.	1 point per week, up to 5 points total
Volunteering in other capacities when asked (i.e. cleaning out the storage closet in the summer)	1 point per hour
Volunteering for and being an active member of a committee that benefits Sonlight (i.e. security team, field trip committee, Mom's night out committee, social event committee)	3-5 points
Turning in lesson plans and contingency plans on time	2 points
Submitting commitment form and paying fee on time	2 points

As you can see, there are many things that allow you to earn points. We have tried to have a variety of ways to earn points because Sonlight runs well when everyone does their part! Week 10 will still be our commitment form week but the registration order for the following semester will not be determined until after the completion of the current semester so that all points may be totaled. Note that these items are only directed toward parent participation. While we want students to attend all classes, student absences do not count against a parent if the parent can still come and fulfill their responsibilities for their normal day.