

Six Weeks that Count

Plan: Meet as many new people as possible and encourage them to be involved in a start-up Bible study (Connection Bible study). Also plan regular prayer meetings. This is crucial!

Goal: Find committed disciples to help you reach the campus with the Gospel message.

Perspective: When you make the first six weeks on campus count you'll set the direction and thrust of the ministry for the rest of the year.

WEEK ONE:

- Gather** your committed core of people and **pray together for God's leading** and blessing. Divide responsibilities and talk through what everyone needs to do these first few weeks.
- Surveys!** This is a simple, inexpensive way to gather hundreds of names of interested college students. Some of them are the future spiritual leaders of your campus.
- Place posters, flyers and table-tents** all over campus informing students about your Connection Bible study or meeting. Good ad campaigns gather more students.
- Have a **party this week for returning students** on your campus. It's a great way to connect and give direction for the semester.

WEEK TWO:

- Start following-up students that took surveys. **Keep asking God to draw people to Himself.**
- Begin the Connection Bible study or other meeting. You can meet with interested students personally, or send them a letter or e-mail about the Bible study or meeting. Then you can follow them up in a group setting—one purpose of the Connection study.
- Gather returning students to start cell groups. Decide if a weekly meeting is needed, and if so, begin working on it this week.

WEEK THREE:

- Continue with activities of week two and begin promoting the fall retreat (Your LINC consultant will give you more details).
- Definitely have your Connection study, cell groups and/or meeting for returning students running by this week.

WEEK FOUR:

- Continue with activities of week two and three.
- Promote the Fall retreat.
- Begin plans for a mid-semester evangelistic thrust for the end of October or beginning of November. An evangelistic video, debate, or article distribution could work. Ask your consultant for more ideas.

WEEK FIVE:

- Continue weeks one through four.
- Get decisions for the Fall retreat. By this week you'll start seeing who, from the Connection study or beginning Bible study, is available, faithful and teachable—they're potential leaders.
- If possible have another party this week to include many of the new students.

WEEK SIX:

- Complete plans for the evangelistic outreach. **Don't forget to pray about everything!**
- Invite students in the Connection/beginners Bible study to join the next level of Bible study and commitment (Your LINC consultant will help you with this).
- Head to the Fall retreat!

Starting Blocks: the first six weeks.

Plan: Meet as many new people as possible.

Goal: Filter committed disciples through cell groups.

Perspective: The first six weeks are the most important weeks.



| Week | What | When | Where | Who |
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| Week 1 | | | | |
| Week 2 | | | | |
| Week 3 | | | | |
| Week 4 | | | | |
| Week 5 | | | | |
| Week 6 | | | | |