

## Small Congregations and Temple Youth Group (TYG) Elections

When it comes to leadership and your TYG, what's most important is having active and committed leaders, regardless of the size of your youth group. Here are some suggested guidelines for how you might adapt the NFTY youth group board model and elections procedures for your small TYG.

[Use this in conjunction with the Elections Procedure document.](#)

**Plan a special election meeting.** At least 2-4 weeks out from elections, host a special elections meeting to engage potential voters (your members!) in the process. This gives you the opportunity to engage them in other activities before elections to ensure that your voters are invested and connected to the process of choosing their leaders.

If you have teens who want to run but have never attended a youth group event before, this can be a good opportunity to connect with them and help them articulate their goals more clearly. You can also set the expectation that if teens want to run for board, they must be part of this special elections meeting. Choose what feels right for your youth group.

## Electing Your Leadership

If 0-5 members attend, potential positions include (if possible):

- President
- Programming Vice President (PVP)
- Social Action Vice President (SAVP)

If 6-12 members attend, positions include:

- President
- Programming Vice President (PVP)
- Social Action Vice President (SAVP)
- Religious & Cultural Vice President (RCVP)
- Membership Vice President (MVP)