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As we aim toward the Soka Gakkai's centennial in 2030, these guidelines are presented with the SGI-USA's goal of the development of 75,000 Future Division members in mind and focused on the district as the core of this effort.

Encourage Future Division Participation in Discussion Meetings

Create a family-like atmosphere in the district where Future Division members feel comfortable to attend, invite their friends and participate in the presentations and discussion. Future Division can also be encouraged to share their experiences in faith or the Goshō passages and other material from their monthly study at the discussion meeting.

Engage in Future Division and Parents Group "Hangouts"

In 2022 the Future Division and Parents Group will challenge 12,000 visits to Future Division members and parents/legal guardians as a continuation of our "hangout" initiative. A "hangout" is any meaningful visit based on faith directly with a Future Division or Parents Group member, either via Zoom or socially distanced (messaging via text or social media does not constitute a "hangout"). "Hangouts" can be entered by any district through national line leader as well as region through national Future Division and Parents Group leaders on the following page which tracks the progress of this effort: <https://www.sgi-usa.org/hangouts/>

Leadership Appointments

Continue the effort to raise and appoint full 4-divisional Future Division leadership teams at region, zone, and territory levels to plan Soka Family Day, visit Future Division members, and to build friendships while promoting SUA and strong study skills. We will conduct nationwide FD/PG leaders training and encouragement calls in February, May and October.

Nationwide Conferences 2022

- Junior High & High School Division Conference - June 2022 (Date & Location TBD)
- Elementary School Division with Parents/Guardians Conference - August 2022 (Date TBD)
- Parents Group Conference - September 2022 (Date TBD)

Hold Monthly Soka Family Day Nationwide

Resuming in February 2022 and maintaining a united rhythm on the second Sunday of each month, we will continue to hold Soka Family Day activities. The meetings and agenda can include separate activities by age group as well as time together as a family. In addition to faith-based, fun activities, Soka Family Day is where the new Future Division study curriculum for 2022, that is based on Ikeda Sensei's encouragement from several youth-focused books and carried in the monthly *World Tribune* Future Division insert, can be studied and discussed. The JHHS portion of this activity can be planned and led by core JHHS members along with Future Division leaders. We also continue to encourage all families to hold a family discussion meeting on or around SGI Successors Day, May 5, about the joy and benefit of practicing SGI Nichiren Buddhism and the importance of successors for the happiness of humanity.

Promote Soka University of America

Encourage Future Division members to challenge to do their best in their studies and inspire them to attend Soka University of America (SUA). Promote high school students to apply to SUA and continue onto higher education. We will hold three SUA webinars (March, July, October for 2022). Let's encourage all students at the appropriate level to attend these SUA webinars where prospective students can learn more about why SUA is such an amazing place to study.

Future Division Month – June 2022

Celebrate the 11th annual Future Division Month by including Future Division members in the planning of the June discussion meeting and by making extra effort to invite Future Division to attend. Also, we would like to recognize and honor those who are graduating from Elementary school, Middle/Jr. High school and High school at Kosen-rufu Gongyo, Soka 2030 Encouragement Meetings, discussion meetings, and Future Division activities.