

# GUIDELINES for Centers and Groups International Sathya Sai Organization

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*The Organisations named after Me are not to be used for publicising My Name or creating a new cult around My worship. They must try to spread interest in recitation of God's Name, meditation, and other spiritual exercises that lead man Godward. They must demonstrate the joy derivable from devotional singing and remembering the Lord's Name, the peace that one can draw from good company. They must render selfless service to the helpless, the sick, the distressed, the illiterate, and the needy. Their service should not be exhibitionistic; it must seek no reward, not even gratitude or thanks from the recipients. [1968.2.23]* Sathya Sai Baba

*The main objective of the Sathya Sai Organisation ... is to help humanity recognize its inherent divinity. ... So, your duty is to emphasise the One, to experience the One in all you do and speak. Do not give any importance to differences of religion, sect, status, or color. Have the feeling of One-ness permeate all your acts. Only those who do so have a place in this Organisation; the rest can withdraw. [1975.1.6]* Sathya Sai Baba

*It is not correct to say that you like only Rama or Krishna or Siva or Sai Baba. There is only one God, and He is omnipresent. Do not hate other religions. A Hindu should become a better Hindu, a Christian a better Christian, and a Muslim a better Muslim. ... You will find the unity of all religions only when you fill your heart with love. [1999.11.19]* Sathya Sai Baba

The symbol on the front cover is the logo of the International Sathya Sai Organization. It contains the five universal values given to us by Sathya Sai Baba: truth (*sathya*), right conduct (*dharma*), inner peace (*santhi*), divine love (*prema*), and nonviolence (*ahimsa*). The tall pillar with a lotus flower on it in the middle is called the *sarva dharma stupa*. The pillar, with its concentric rings, represents *yoga*, or union with God. The rings indicate the stages of yogic discipline required for unfolding the “lotus of the heart”, whose petals are at the top of the pillar. The flame of inner illumination is in the center of the lotus. Just as the lotus plant lives in dirty water but remains uncontaminated by it, so we should live in the world but be uncontaminated by it.

This logo was adopted in 2006. Prior to that, a logo depicting either five or six World Religions was used. These logos, together with the name Sri Sathya Sai Baba (and variations of it), have been trademarked in many countries in order to protect them from misuse. See [www.sathyasai.org/trademark/trademark.html](http://www.sathyasai.org/trademark/trademark.html).

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The International Sathya Sai Organization and the All India Sri Sathya Sai Seva Organization were officially formed through a Charter granted by Bhagavan Sri Sathya Sai Baba on 14 January 1981.<sup>1</sup>

In 2010, after receiving approval from Sathya Sai Baba, the Sri Sathya Sai World Foundation formed the Guidelines Committee to review the guidelines currently in use in the various geographical Zones of the world in order to develop one set of guidelines applicable to all the countries outside India. The committee's work was also guided by the recommendations that came from the Ninth World Conference of Sathya Sai Organizations held at Prasanthi Nilayam in November 2010 as well as the pre-world conferences held around the globe in 2010.

The present document is a general one that describes the programs and practices of the Sathya Sai Centers and Groups<sup>2</sup> of the International Sathya Sai Organization. While intended for use by office bearers and members of the Organization, it is also suitable for persons interested in joining the Organization and other members of the public.

A more extensive corollary document, the *Operations Manual for Centers and Groups*, describes in detail the duties and responsibilities of officers as well as the rules and regulations that apply to the various programs conducted by Centers. A third document will give guidelines, rules, and regulations that apply at the country, region, and zone levels.

## 2. PURPOSE OF THE INTERNATIONAL SATHYA SAI ORGANIZATION

*The main objective of the Sathya Sai Organisation ... is to help humanity recognize its inherent divinity. [1975.1.6] It is established to translate the principles of love and nonviolence into daily practice. [1970.11.20]*

Sathya Sai Baba

The primary purpose of the International Sathya Sai Organization is to promote in its members ever-increasing faith in God, along with the recognition of the inherent Divine Nature of human beings and all of God's creation.

The Sathya Sai Center, consisting of members in a local community, is the principal instrument through which this goal is achieved. The Center provides a loving environment that nourishes the devotion of its members by creating opportunities to study and practice the teachings of Sathya Sai Baba. The functions of a Center are described later in this document.

## 3. MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

*The qualifications for membership are to be an eager aspirant for spiritual progress, to have full faith in the name that the Organisation bears ..., and to have won recognition as a good person. That is all the qualification needed; nothing else counts. [1967.4.21]*

Sathya Sai Baba

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<sup>1</sup> The Charter can be found here: [www.sathyasai.org/organize/charter.html](http://www.sathyasai.org/organize/charter.html)

<sup>2</sup> A Sathya Sai Center must have at least nine members and must conduct the program activities in at least two of the three "wings": devotion, education, and service. Otherwise, the designation "Sathya Sai Group" is used. Throughout this document, we use "Center" for both Centers and Groups.

There are no dues or membership fees, and donations are never solicited. An individual who is at least 18 years old<sup>3</sup> may become a member of a Sathya Sai Center after having become familiar with these Guidelines and after expressing a sincere intention to practice them.

Members of the International Sathya Sai Organization are expected to do their best to practice the Nine-Point Code of Conduct and the Ten Guiding Principles laid down by Sathya Sai Baba and thereby become exemplars of His teachings.

### ***Nine-point code of conduct***

(From the original Charter of the Organization.)

1. Daily meditation and prayer.
2. Group devotional singing or prayer with family members once a week, where possible.
3. Participation in Sai Spiritual Education by children of the family.
4. Regular attendance at the Center's (at least once per month) devotional meetings.
5. Participation in community service work and other programs of the Organization.
6. Regular study of Sathya Sai Baba literature.
7. The practice of placing a ceiling on desires —consciously and continuously striving to eliminate the tendency to waste time, money, food, and energy— and utilizing the savings for service to mankind.
8. The use of soft, loving speech with everyone.
9. Not speaking ill of others, especially in their absence.

### ***Ten guiding principles***

(Given by Sathya Sai Baba in his discourse on 1985.11.21.)

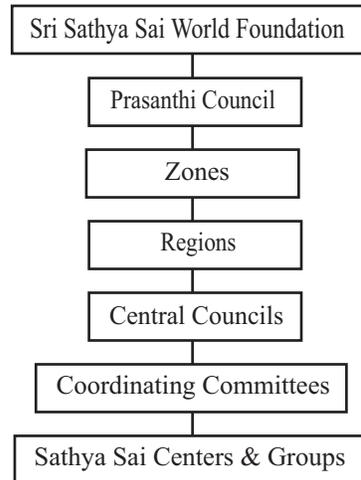
1. Love and serve your country. Do not be critical of others' countries.
2. Honor all religions, for each is a pathway to the one God.
3. Love all people without distinction; know that humanity is a single community.
4. Keep home and surroundings clean.
5. Help people to become self-reliant. Provide food and shelter, love and care, for the sick and the aged.
6. Do not tempt others by offering bribes or demean yourself by accepting them.
7. Do not develop jealousy, hatred, or envy on any account.
8. Do not depend on others to serve your personal needs; become your own servant before proceeding to serve others.
9. Adore God, abhor sin.
10. Observe your country's laws and be exemplary citizens.

## **4. STRUCTURE OF THE ORGANIZATION**

The structure designed to effectively administer the affairs of the Organization is as follows:

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<sup>3</sup> In countries in which people younger than 18 may choose membership in religious communities, the zone chair, after consultation with the Prasanthi Council, may set an appropriate lower age.



### ***World Foundation***

Sathya Sai Baba established the Sri Sathya Sai World Foundation in 2006 as the governing body of the International Sathya Sai Organization. The World Foundation has responsibility for publications, education programs, health-care programs, and any other international programs conducted by the Organization. It deals with financial and legal matters of the Organization. It sets policy and guidelines, and it establishes *ad hoc* committees to develop special program initiatives, which will be overseen by the Prasanthi Council.

### ***Prasanthi Council***

The managing body of the International Sathya Sai Organization is the Prasanthi Council. Sathya Sai Baba established the Prasanthi Council in November 2004.

The responsibilities of the Prasanthi Council are:

1. To guide and supervise the working of the various constituents of the Organization.
2. To make rules and regulations and provide guidelines for the operation of the Organization.
3. To determine all matters requiring authoritative decision in the Organization and in relation to its constituent units.
4. To convene meeting of members or officers of the Organization as may be necessary from time to time.
5. To compile information relating to the working of the Organization.

### ***Zones, regions, and countries***

For administrative purposes, the countries outside India are divided into geographical Zones, each with a Chair. Each Zone is divided into Regions served by Central Coordinators, who report to their respective Zone Chairs. A Region comprises one or more countries, which are supervised by either a Central Council or a Coordinating Committee.<sup>4</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> A Region or country with relatively few Centers may dispense with a Central Council, a Coordinating Committee, or both. For example a (Deputy) Central Coordinator may deal directly with a Coordinating Committee or with a national contact person who oversees the few Centers in a country.

The composition of the Zones is as follows (see the International Sathya Sai Organization website [www.sathyasai.org](http://www.sathyasai.org) for an up-to-date listing):

**Zone 1**

Canada, Israel, USA, Guyana, Surinam, West Indies (English speaking countries)

**Zone 2A**

Belize, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, French Guyana, Guadeloupe, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Puerto Rico, St. Maarten, Martinique

**Zone 2B**

Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela

**Zone 3**

Australia & Papua New Guinea, Fiji, New Zealand, Philippines

**Zone 4**

Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Nepal, Singapore, Thailand, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Pakistan, Vietnam

**Zone 5**

China, Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan

**Zone 6**

Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia, France, Greece, Italy, Macedonia, Montenegro, Portugal, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Bulgaria

**Zone 7**

Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Slovakia, Sweden

**Zone 8**

Azerbaijan, Armenia, Byelorussia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, and Ukraine

**Zone 9A**

Ireland, UK

**Zone 9B**

Abu Dhabi (UAE), Angola, Bahrain, Botswana, Cameroon, Congo, Cote D'Ivoire, Dubai (UAE), Ethiopia, Gabon, Ghana, Iran, Kenya, Kuwait, Libya, Malawi, Mauritius, Morocco, Nigeria, Oman, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sharjah (UAE), Sierra Leone, Somalia, South Africa, Swaziland, Syria, Qatar, Tanzania, Turkey, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe

## 5. PROGRAMS AND PRACTICES

### ***The Sathya Sai Center***

The Sathya Sai Center is the principal instrument through which the goals of the Organization are achieved. The Center provides a loving environment that nourishes the devotion of its members by creating opportunities to study and practice the teachings of Sathya Sai Baba. The Center also provides information about Sathya Sai Baba and His teachings in the form of books, pamphlets, and audio/video recordings, and it serves as a focal point for the planning and carrying out of community service projects by its members.

In keeping with the fact that the International Sathya Sai Organization is a spiritual organization rather than a new religion, Sathya Sai Center meetings are usually held in venues not associated in the public's mind with a particular religion. However, when the Center is small, its meetings may take place in a private home until such time as a more appropriate place may be secured. In all instances, the venue of the Center meeting should have a clean and wholesome appearance with adequate space capacity, and it should be accessible to members of the community-at-large. While there is never an attempt to recruit members, the Center lovingly welcomes all genuine spiritual aspirants, without regard to race, ethnicity, social class, or religious affiliation.

Sathya Sai Baba has repeatedly stated that He does not use intermediaries to communicate with His devotees. Rather, He says that He has personal, "heart-to-heart" communication with each devotee. Accordingly, devotees are advised to ignore or disregard claims by individuals that they have messages from Sathya Sai Baba or special "inner" guidance for the benefit of others. Similarly, no one has been authorized to give mantras or perform healings or marriages in the name of Sathya Sai Baba.

### ***One-pointed orientation***

While there is deep respect for and acknowledgement of the validity of other masters and spiritual teachers, Sathya Sai Centers focus in a one-pointed manner on the teachings of Sathya Sai Baba. In addition, the Center activities emphasize the universal human values of Truth, Right Conduct, Peace, Love, and Nonviolence —rather than the rituals associated with any particular religion. Centers therefore seek to avoid creating an impression that one has to worship Sathya Sai Baba within the context of any one particular religious orientation. The emphasis is the universality of Sathya Sai Baba's message and its practice in daily life.

*Do not dig a few feet in a number of different places and moan that you could not strike water. Dig in one place steadily and with faith, and the boring drill goes down into the very underground spring of water. [1967.1.22]*

Sathya Sai Baba

### ***Three wings of the Sathya Sai Center***

The main activities of a Sathya Sai Center are classified under the heading of three Wings: Devotion, Education, and Service. These correspond to the three main paths to self-realization: devotion (*bhakti*), spiritual wisdom (*jnana*), and renunciation of the fruit of action (*karma*). Though members may tend to gravitate toward a particular wing, they are strongly urged to support and participate to the extent possible in all the program activities conducted by the Center.

### **Devotion wing**

The Devotion Wing focuses on group devotional singing, study circle, prayers, meditation, retreats, and other activities designed to strengthen one's faith, devotional fervor, and understanding and practice of spiritual principles.

*One can be liberated now by the spiritual practice of singing the glory of the Lord and listening to the Name being sung. ... It can help the process of liberation not only for the members of the group ... the whole world can benefit by the vibrations. [1982.1.26] I insist on group singing of the Names of the Lord. [1968.7.8] The Lord has said, "Where my devotees sing, there I seat myself." [1957.7.11]*

Sathya Sai Baba

*Study Circle is not just reading books. It means taking a point and each person discussing what it means to them. Like a round table conference. ... The study circle looks at the different facet, ... but, as in a diamond, there is one facet that is flat, and from it, all can be viewed. To discover the top facet is the task of the study circle.*

[Hislop, *Conversations with Bhagavan Sri Sathya Sai Baba*, pp 165–166]

### **Education wing**

Sai Spiritual Education (SSE) classes are provided at the Center for children from age 6 to 17. The aims are to foster character development and spiritual transformation through helping the children to bring out and practice the values that are inherent in them (educare). The children will: (1) learn about the life and teachings of Sri Sathya Sai Baba, (2) render selfless service to others, (3) appreciate the unity of the different faiths, and (4) practice placing a ceiling on their desires. In addition, the children learn about the importance of respecting their parents, properly discharging their duties at home, being loyal to and taking pride in their country, and developing a good character. The devotees who teach the Sai Spiritual Education Classes have received appropriate training.

*Bal vikas (now called Sai Spiritual Education) is the primary basis of the great movement to restore righteousness (dharma) in the world. [1978.6.6]*

Sathya Sai Baba

### **Service wing**

The teachings of Sathya Sai Baba emphasize that every act of service, small or big, performed with the attitude of serving God residing in those being served, confers immense spiritual benefit upon the aspirant. Accordingly, the officers of a Sathya Sai Center provide a wide range of opportunities for members to engage in service. Among these are: regular visits to hospitals, nursing homes, or homeless shelters; providing food, water, and clothing to the needy; medical camps; slum adoption; disaster relief; blood donation drives; prison programs; supporting orphanages; and tutoring for students.

*Selfless service is the very essence of devotion [1967.3.29], the best cure for egotism [1968.1.13]. Consider selfless service as the best spiritual discipline. ... But do not believe that you can by means of selfless service reform or reshape the world. You may or may not; that does not matter. The real value of selfless service, its most visible result, is that it reforms you, reshapes you. Do selfless service as a spiritual discipline; then you will be humble and happy. [1967.3.29]*

Sathya Sai Baba

### **Center library**

A variety of free literature on Sathya Sai Baba and His Teachings is available at Center meetings. This includes pamphlets and reprints of appropriate articles about Sathya Sai Baba, as well as copies of selected Divine Discourses given by Him. A catalog of Sai literature would be useful. Centers may maintain a library focused on Sathya Sai Baba and His Teachings, with books, audio and video recordings, and sample copies of and subscription information about periodicals such as *Sanathana Sarathi* — the monthly magazine published at Prasanthi Nilayam in India.

### **Officers of a Center**

Centers have five officers: President, Vice President, and a coordinator for each wing of the Center: Devotion Coordinator, Education Coordinator, and Service Coordinator. Because of its size, a Group may have fewer officers, the exact officers to depend on the makeup and needs of the Group.

### **Young-adult program**

In recognition of some of the unique needs of devotees between the ages of 18 and 35, a Sathya Sai Young Adult (YA) Program has been authorized. Sathya Sai Young Adults may conduct devotional, educational, and service activities, guided by the YA advisor(s), over and above those that are conducted by the Center. However, the YA Program is an integral part of the Sathya Sai Organization, and young adults are expected to participate fully in Center activities as well in the special YA activities. SSEHV programs (see Sect. 7 on page 11) are done in collaboration with the country or region Institute of Sathya Sai Education, which is responsible for all SSEHV programs.

Sathya Sai YA meetings and gatherings are to be organized around the pursuit of spiritual rather than social goals. Discipline, modest attire, and separate seating of males and females should characterize the meetings.

## **6. TYPES OF MEETINGS**

*At devotional singing (bhajans) and other meetings, men devotees should sit apart from women devotees. The rule should be applicable to all members —whether they are Indians or non-Indians, in India or elsewhere. It is part of the spiritual discipline that is necessary for devotees.*  
[1980.11.22] Sathya Sai Baba

It is advisable and highly recommended that Center meetings be held in public venues rather than in private homes or places of worship associated with a particular religion. This is because the teachings of Sathya Sai Baba are universal in nature and emphasize the basic oneness of all religions.

### **Regular meetings**

Typically, Center meetings occur once a week and last approximately 90 minutes. The program usually includes group recitation of prayers, a short period of meditation, group devotional singing, study circle, and announcements. Whereas Indian *bhajans* continue to be popular, devotional songs from other traditions and cultures, especially the local culture, should also be sung. What is most important is that attention is focused on the Divine via the recitation of any of

God's many Names. Centers may provide classes and devotional singing practice sessions to enhance the quality of devotional singing. These sessions are conducted outside the regular Center meetings.

Center meetings require disciplined, courteous, and respectful behavior on the part of all in attendance, so that an appropriate devotional atmosphere is maintained and everyone's full attention can be directed toward the meeting's spiritual purpose. In accordance with the expressed recommendation of Sathya Sai Baba, males and females are requested to sit separately at Center meetings. Though many devotees prefer to sit on the floor, chairs are provided for anyone who wants them.

At least one Center member is responsible for formally welcoming guests and visitors, providing them with welcome booklets, answering questions, and explaining any aspect of the Center program that may not be immediately clear.

The importance of all Center members participating regularly in study circles conducted at the Center cannot be overstated. The purpose of a study circle is to help members deepen their understanding of Sathya Sai Baba's teachings and to strengthen their personal practice. Study circles should have a one-pointed orientation, as explained below, and should be held on a regular schedule, during the weekly Center meetings. This means that the study of Sathya Sai Baba's discourses and the *Vahinis* form the basis for study circles, though it is appropriate to read spiritual writings of the major religions in order to learn about them or to experience the basic unity of these religions and Sathya Sai Baba's teachings.

### ***Membership meetings***

Membership meetings are held regularly in order to plan and discuss the Center's programs and to consider any other matters requiring attention. An abbreviated version of the regular devotional meeting may precede the membership meeting.

### ***Guest meetings***

In addition to having one or two members trained to serve as official greeters, each Center may have a meaningful program of newcomer orientation to familiarize the newcomer with Sathya Sai Baba and the programs and activities of the Center. The program may include a talk by a qualified speaker, devotional singing, sharing of experiences, etc. Visitors and newcomers are welcome to attend regular devotional meetings.

### ***Public meetings***

On occasions a special public-oriented information meeting may be held at a suitably large public venue. The purpose is to present to the general public information about Sathya Sai Baba's teachings and His humanitarian works. A public meeting should be planned with the assistance and cooperation of regional or national officers.

### ***Sai conferences and retreats***

Regional Sai conferences/retreats may be held at regular intervals so that devotees from a wider area can meet together. Centers play a large role in organizing and holding these conferences/retreats, which are open to the public.

## **7. SAI EDUCATION INITIATIVES OUTSIDE THE SATHYA SAI CENTER**

The Sai Spiritual Education programs operated in the Centers for children of Sai devotees has been modified for presentation to other children. Given the name *Sathya Sai Education in Human Values* (SSEHV), it does not teach about Sathya Sai Baba or any specific spiritual or religious figure. Rather, the five human values of Truth, Right Conduct, Peace, Love, and Nonviolence constitute the primary focus.

The SSEHV program is the responsibility of the Institute of Sathya Sai Education in the country or region—see below.

Equally respectful of all faiths and religions, SSEHV promotes character development and seeks to instill in students respect and reverence for nature and for the rights of others. As with Sai Spiritual Education, SSEHV children are taught respect for all faiths, about the importance of placing a ceiling on their desires, about the benefits of rendering selfless service to others, and the practice of five human values in daily life.

When SSEHV is introduced at a public or private school, school administrators retain control of the implementation of the program, and SSEHV teachers strive to reinforce the mission of the school. SSEHV teaching techniques are integrated with the standard instructional strategies of the school, as well as incorporated into lesson plans for direct lessons through specific subject areas. In some countries SSEHV is incorporated through citizenship or civics education.

SSEHV teachers are expected to earnestly practice the Human Values in their own life.

### ***Institutes of Sathya Sai Education***

Institutes of Sathya Sai Education (ISSEs) train EHV teachers and oversee all SSEHV programs, providing some standardization and quality assurance with respect to teacher training and certification. ISSEs also establish and maintain professional links with non-Sathya Sai schools, teacher-training colleges, universities, ministries of education, and appropriate international organizations. Finally, upon request, the ISSEs provide support in the form of training and materials for the teachers of Sai Spiritual Education (SSE) with Centers.

Teacher training manuals, curriculums, and lesson plans have been developed around the world to meet the legal, cultural, and educational requirements of the different countries. The ISSEs regularly review and evaluate this material.

ISSEs work under the direct oversight of the Education Committee of the Sri Sathya Sai World Foundation and maintain good working relationship with the Sathya Sai Organizations of the country. The functions and governance of Sathya Sai Schools and ISSEs are guided by a comprehensive set of educational guidelines approved by the Sri Sathya Sai World Foundation.

### ***Sathya Sai Schools***

Another function of the Institutes of Sathya Sai Education is the fostering of Sathya Sai Schools. The over-arching goals of Sathya Sai Schools are:

1. To create an environment, culture, and ethos in which the five human values are actively practiced;
2. To prompt the realization in students of the full potential of human excellence; and
3. To provide a model of educational excellence for other schools to emulate.

In pursuit of these goals, Sathya Sai Schools promote:

1. The teacher as exemplar;
2. The spiritual transformation of students and teachers;
3. Academic excellence;
4. Identification with and respect for one's culture and nation;
5. Appreciation of the unity of the different faiths; and
6. An active social conscience and an inclination to render selfless service to others.

### ***SSEHV in community settings***

SSEHV classes may be provided for children in non-school settings such as community or recreation centers, juvenile correction homes, health camps conducted by the Service Wing of the Sathya Sai Organization, or at other venues deemed appropriate.

The Institutes of Sathya Sai Education provide guidance, support, and training for community SSEHV teachers. Curricula and teacher-training manuals have been developed in several countries for the implementation of SSEHV programs in these settings. Moreover, the aims of community SSEHV are the same as those of SSEHV in public and private schools.

### ***SSEHV for teens and young adults***

Around the world there is a steady increase in SSEHV programs for teens and young adults. The aim of these programs is to develop strength and wisdom to face life's challenges and leadership skills. The classes promote group activities, study circle, self-reflection, and selfless service, along with a focus on the five Human Values.

### ***Sathya Sai parenting***

Sathya Sai Baba emphasizes the critical importance of the role of parents in character development. Accordingly, SSEHV efforts include a focus on proper parenting. The classes seek to prepare parents to assist their children in coping with the many negative influences they face in growing up in today's society.

## **8. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

*Fund collection is as much opposed to this movement as fire is to water. If you yield on this point, spiritual advance will perish.* [1971.5.14]

Sathya Sai Baba

One overriding principle guiding the operation of all Sathya Sai Centers is *to have as little to do with money as possible.*

There are no membership dues. In no case shall a public appeal be made for any funds, donations, or contributions in cash or kind.

Community service projects are carefully planned and thoroughly discussed by the Center officers, always with a view that the projects appear to be within the resources of the Center. Once a project has been agreed upon, provisions are made for members who wish to do so to anonymously contribute. If there is a shortfall, either the officers make it up or the project is canceled. Costs associated with the rental of space for Center meetings are handled in similar fashion.

No collection for capital expenditure such as the purchase of land, building, or property of any kind is made by Centers or other units, including Trusts, without prior written permission of the Prasanthi Council and the Sri Sathya Sai World Foundation.

## 9. WEBSITES

This table gives the major official websites for Sathya Sai Baba and the International Sathya Sai Organization:

sathyasai.org	International Sathya Sai Organization. From this website, one can get to websites for zones, regions, countries, etc.
srisathyasai.org.in	Sri Sathya Sai Central Trust, in Prasanthi Nilayam, Sai Baba's main ashram
sssbt.info	Discourses and writings of Sathya Sai Baba, with a search engine
saicast.org	Videos
sailoveinaction.org	Accounts of Sai service projects throughout the world
theprasanthireporter.org	Sri Sathya Sai Sadhana Trust, Publications Division, reporting on events in Prasanthi Nilayam
sssbt.org	Sri Sathya Sai Sadhana Trust, Publications Division, the Prasanthi Nilayam bookstore
radiosai.org	Radio Sai Global Harmony: 24-hour audio on the computer and radio, as well as Heart2Heart, an online journal