

AGREEMENT TO SPONSOR A K-KIDS CLUB

By the Kiwanis club

Kiwanis Club of _____ Key number _____

District name _____ Kiwanis Division number _____

This Kiwanis club hereby petitions that Kiwanis International issue a new club charter for a K-Kids Club at the school specified on page three of this petition. The Kiwanis club agrees to annually support the following requirements of sponsorship for the K-Kids club:

1. Appoint a Kiwanian or a committee of Kiwanians to be the K-Kids advisor(s).
2. Attend K-Kids meetings and events.
3. Maintain an expense line item in the service account.
4. Meet with the school principal or facility manager each year.
5. Ensure all dues and fees are paid.
6. Make sure K-Kids officers receive proper training.
7. Schedule an annual meeting with Kiwanis and the K-Kids club leadership.
8. Host or participate in joint activities.
9. Invite K-Kids members to attend Kiwanis meetings.
10. Ensure K-Kids members are provided training opportunities beyond the club level.

Kiwanis advisor _____ Member number _____

Mailing address (No P. O. Boxes please) _____

City _____ State/Province _____ Postal code _____

E-mail address

Telephone _____ Fax _____

These 10 items should be read to the membership of the Kiwanis club at a regular meeting. The signatures affixed below indicate the acceptance of responsibilities of sponsorship by the Kiwanis sponsor of record, and further indicate the commitment of the Kiwanis sponsor to provide continuing support for the K-Kids Club, its members and the school. It also is understood that if the school shall request, in writing, that the charter be relinquished, Kiwanis International has the right to cancel or revoke the charter. In such instance, the Kiwanis club shall forfeit any rights or claim to the K-Kids charter.

The charter certificate and club materials will be mailed to the Kiwanis club advisor at the address shown above. In the event the leadership of two Kiwanis clubs intends to co-sponsor the new K-Kids club, a copy of this form must be completed and signed by each Kiwanis-family club. Both forms should be submitted at the time of chartering.

Signatures of Kiwanis club officers:

Signature _____ Date _____
Kiwanis club president

Print name _____

Signature _____ Date _____
Kiwanis secretary

Print name _____

K-Kids

Standard Form for K-Kids Club Bylaws

Article 1 - Name

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be the K-Kids Club of _____.
(Name of school/organization)

Article 2 - Organization

Section 1. Its form of organization, its ideals and its purposes shall be similar to the Kiwanis Club of _____ (Kiwanis club sponsor)

Section 2. It shall be sponsored by, but not part of the Kiwanis Club of _____. The Kiwanis club assumes all chartering and sustaining costs.

Article 3 - Objectives and Activities

Section 1. The objectives of the K-Kids club shall be:

- To provide opportunities for working together in service to school and community;
- To develop leadership potential;
- To foster development of a strong, moral character; and
- To encourage loyalty to school, community and nation.

Section 2. The activities of the K-Kids club shall be in accordance with its objectives and pledge.

Article 4 - Motto, Pledge and Core Values

Section 1. The motto of K-Kids club shall be: *"Young Leaders Helping Others."*

Section 2. The K-Kids Pledge is: *"As a K-Kid, I promise to serve my neighborhood and my school; I will show respect toward my environment; and I will try to make the world a better place in which to live."*

Section 3. The Core Values are: *Character Building, Leadership, Inclusiveness and Caring.*

Article 5 - Membership

Section 1. Members shall be students from _____.
(Name of school/organization)

Section 2. Members of all grades who are interested in service and are of good character and leadership potential shall be eligible for membership. The school principal/community organization's leader or the faculty advisor must approve all K-Kids club members.

Section 3. Scholastic standing shall not be a major criterion for membership eligibility.

Section 4. The sponsoring Kiwanis Committee shall ask the school principal/community organization's leader and faculty advisor(s) to recommend a list of students for the K-Kids club. Those students who indicate a desire to become members and to comply with the provisions of these bylaws may join the K-Kids club.

- Section 5.** The school administration shall appoint a faculty advisor who has the responsibility of counseling the members of the K-Kids club in their activities. The faculty advisor also will act as liaison with the sponsoring Kiwanis club. The faculty advisor is encouraged to enlist assistant faculty advisors with the assistance of school administration.
- Section 6.** The K-Kids club Board of Directors in cooperation with the school principal/community organization's leader and faculty advisor(s) shall enlist new members.

Article 6 - Officers and Board of Directors

- Section 1.** Officers of this K-Kids club shall be a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer. They shall serve for one (1) year, or until their successors are elected.
- Section 2.** Each officer shall be a member in good standing. No other limitations or restrictions shall be placed on these officers.
- Section 3.** The duties of the officers shall be similar to those performed by the officers of the sponsoring Kiwanis club.
- Section 4.** There shall be a Board of Directors, composed of the above officers and one (1) director to be elected from and by each grade from which membership is drawn.
- Section 5.** The Board of Directors shall approve service projects, social activities, coordinate committee assignments and efforts, discipline members and perform such other duties as shall be referred to it by the club in compliance with these bylaws. A faculty advisor shall counsel the Board of Directors in its actions.
- Section 6.** All action by the club and the Board of Directors shall be subject to the approval of the principal/community organization's leader (or the representative). The Board of Directors shall meet monthly.

Article 7 - Election of Officers and Directors

- Section 1.** Election of new officers (president, vice president, secretary and treasurer) should be held during the spring semester. The new officers should assume their responsibilities at the last meeting of the school year and continue through the next year.
- Section 2.** Election of Directors (one from each appropriate grade) shall be held following the school's opening in the fall.

Article 8 - Meetings

- Section 1.** The club shall hold its meetings at a time and place selected by the Board of Directors with the approval of the school/community organization administration.

Article 9 - Committees

- Section 1.** This K-Kids club shall establish the necessary administrative and service committees to fulfill its local needs.

Section 2. The following committees should be appointed as a minimum:

1. Service Projects Committee
2. Public Relations Committee

Article 10 - Annual Dues

Section 1. A K-Kids club may choose to collect annual dues, which stay with the club. These dues should be minimal. The annual dues for membership shall be \$_____ per member.

Article 11 - Amendments

Section 1. Amendments to these bylaws shall be adopted by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at any regular meeting.

Section 2. These bylaws and all amendments or additions thereto shall not become effective until the sponsoring Kiwanis Committee has been advised and the approval of the school/community organization administration has been secured.

These bylaws were adopted and approved on: _____

Date

Principal or organization's leaders signature

Printed name

Kiwanis club president's signature

Printed name

1/25/2010