

September 13, 2023



LEADERSHIP CORNER

Save these dates and register for fall district administrator chats:

- Join us on Thursday, September 14, at 7 p.m. ET for a District Administrator Update Call. Hear what's new and what's coming up for administrators and your K-Kids and Builders Clubs. <u>REGISTER HERE.</u>
- On Tuesday, October 10, 7 p.m. ET, join an Experienced Administrator Refresher. Review strategies and tools for new club recruitment, how to support existing clubs, responsibilities of administrators and club advisors, and more. Bring your questions and be ready to share tips on what works for you. <u>REGISTER HERE.</u>
- On November 2, 7 p.m. ET, gather for Strategies for Club Growth. Review administrator responsibilities for club growth and growth goals for 2023-24 Kiwanis districts. Learn about available administrator tools for growth work. Discuss strategies and share your own tips for recruiting new clubs. <u>REGISTER HERE</u>.

Help your clubs receive their materials as soon as possible. Contact the club secretary for each Kiwanis club that sponsors your K-Kids club(s) and remind them to renew their clubs in September. Program kits will only be mailed to K-Kids clubs after their renewal fees are paid and membership counts are entered into the secretary dashboard on <u>Kiwanis Connect</u>.



REGISTER NOW FOR GLOBAL KICKOFF 2023

Join K-Kids clubs and Builders Clubs around the world, and Kiwanis International for our virtual Global Kickoff on Saturday, September 30, at 1 p.m. ET. Hold a special Saturday club meeting

so your members can participate. If your club can't meet then, invite members to join with their families from home. Get more information at <u>k-kids.org/globalkickoff</u> and register before September 25.

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REGISTER NOW FOR 2023 ADVISOR TRAINING AND CHATS

If you are a new advisor, join Service Leadership Programs staff for the **New Advisor Crash Course on Monday, October 2, 7 p.m. ET.** Learn about faculty and Kiwanis advisor responsibilities and tools for planning and keeping track of key tasks. Learn how to use the K-Kids club guides to optimize students' learning, leadership and service experiences. And bring your questions about K-Kids and the work of advising! <u>Register here.</u>

If you have been a K-Kids advisor for some time, join SLP staff for the **Experienced Advisor Refresher on Tuesday, October 3, at 7 p.m. ET**. Review faculty and Kiwanis advisor responsibilities and learn how to use the new K-Kids club member, advisor, and service guides. Bring your questions and be ready to share tips on what works for you and your members. <u>Register here.</u>

Join SLP staff for the **How-tos of Service Planning and Implementation on Wednesday, November 8, at 7 p.m. ET**. Learn how to connect the activities in the new K-Kids club member and service guides to make the most meaningful experiences for your students. Hear how to earn points for your Annual Achievement Report by using the four steps of high-impact service. <u>Register here.</u>



COMPLETE BEGINNING-OF-YEAR MEMBER SURVEYS

Your K-Kids club members can share what they expect from the club, the service needs that interest them and more by completing a beginning-of-year survey **between Friday, September 15 and Friday, October 20**. Access the survey.

Clubs that complete surveys will be entered in a drawing to win a US\$25 Amazon gift card. <u>See what we learned from surveys</u> <u>about last year's K-Kids clubs</u>.



USING THE ADVISOR'S QUICK START GUIDE

The new K-Kids Advisor Guide is the starting point to equip you for the role of K-Kids advisor. Start the year by using its Quick Start Guide (pages 4-5). This essential two-page tool is a checklist of key tasks and when to complete each one. Beginning-of-year tasks include determining meeting times and frequency, conducting officer training, marketing for new member recruitment and creating a club budget. Your guide will arrive in your K-Kids program kit, and you can also <u>download it</u>. We hope you enjoy a well-planned beginning to the service year!



CREATE AN ANNUAL SERVICE PLAN

Prepare for your club's service year with a meeting of officers and advisors to complete the "Our Club IDEA Service Plan" in the new K-Kids Service Guide (pages 2-3). Creating this plan will help you and your officers decide which powerful activities in the new K-Kids Service Guide members will experience this year, and decide who will lead each activity. Doing this work together will help officers and committee chairs understand their specific responsibilities during club meetings and service projects.



RESULTS FROM LAST YEAR'S SURVEY

Thanks to the K-Kids advisors and members who completed endof-year surveys last April and May! The surveys provided insight for Kiwanis International staff about students' experiences and advisors' observations.

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HELP MEMBERS FEEL LIKE THEY BELONG

K-Kids club advisors can cultivate a sense of belonging among club members by creating an inclusive club environment. Hear advice from Renee Stewart, K-Kids faculty advisor of the Berlin K-Kids club in New Hampshire. Renee has guided her members in creating a fun and inclusive club environment for more than 12 years. Her community-based K-Kids club meets bimonthly and enjoys a 95% attendance rate. Learn how the club helps those visitors and members feel like they belong.

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WELCOME TO THE K-KIDS FAMILY

We're growing our family one club at a time! Here are the newly chartered K-Kids clubs and the Kiwanis districts where they're located.

- J. Frank White Academy, Harrogate, Tennessee, Kentucky-Tennessee District
- Northside Elementary School, Midway, Kentucky, Kentucky-Tennessee District
- Covington Elementary School, Covington, Louisiana, Louisiana-Mississippi-West Tennessee
- Round Elementary School, Hartland, Michigan, Michigan District
- Castlio Elementary School, St. Charles, Missouri, Missouri-Arkansas District
- Hooksett Memorial School, Hooksett, New Hampshire, New England & Bermuda District
- Scoala Gimnaziala Scalmatuiu Sf Calmatuiu de sus, Teleorman, Romania, Non-Districted Europe
- South Montrose Community Church, South Montrose, Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania District
- Wyoming Area Intermediate Center, West Pittston, Pennsylvania, Pennsylvania District
- Albay Central School, Legaszi City, Philippines, Philippine
 Luzon District
- Kilpatrick Elementary, Texarkana, Arkansas, Texas-Oklahoma District



IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

1 - 30: Work with sponsoring Kiwanis club secretary to renew your K-Kids club for the 2023-24 year

- 1 30: <u>Suicide Prevention Month</u>
- 15: K-Kids Member Survey opens
- 21: International Day of Peace
- 30: K-Kids & Builders Club Global Kickoff Event, 1 p.m. ET

OCTOBER

- 1 31: Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF
- 1 31: Bullying Prevention Month
- 2: New K-Kids Advisor Crash Course, 7 p.m. ET
- 3: Experienced K-Kids Advisor Refresher training, 7 p.m. ET
- 5: World Teacher's Day
- 14-18: Kiwanis Youth Protection Week
- 20: <u>K-Kids Member Survey closes</u>

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