

Youth Protection Manager

The youth protection manager instructs clubs on how to help protect the youth served by Kiwanis clubs and their service leadership programs and communicate regularly with Kiwanis International. This person should have a background in youth training, education or law enforcement.



Kiwanis
NEBRASKA-IOWA DISTRICT



Linda Placzek
Youth Protection Manager

Hi, I am serving as your Youth Protection Manager this year. I have been a Kiwanian for 17 years and I am a member of Omaha Golden K Kiwanis and the 25+KiwaniansWhoCare Clubs. Kiwanis is a great fit for me since I am an educator by profession. I am a club advisor for the K-Kids Club at Conestoga Elementary School in the Omaha Public Schools. I also organize and manage the Volunteer Reading Program at Conestoga. Our club has been involved there since 1991, so we have quite an investment of time, talent and treasure.

The KI Youth Protection Program is a program of prevention. The more members know about the policy/guidelines, the more informed they are to make the correct decisions when questions and concerns arise. The Kiwanis International Youth Protection Program is an important part of the Kiwanis umbrella of services to clubs. Serving children and youth across the globe is what Kiwanis is all about so the Youth Protection Program is critical to our success in making life better for children and youth. .

The two main components I work with are 1) Criminal Background Checks and 2) club compliance with the Kiwanis International's required club training for all members each year on the Youth Protection Policy and Guidelines. In my world, policy and guidelines are constantly changing and being updated. I have just received the new KI Youth Protection Policy and Guidelines adopted late in 2022. Here is a link to that new policy: [YPG Guidelines](#)

I am available to communicate with you at any time. My email address is lapaczek@cox.net. It is a pleasure to serve the Nebraska-Iowa Kiwanis District as your youth protection manager

