Kiwanis
NEBRASKA-IOWA DISTRICT

Youth Protection Club Training

It's October and for me, that means it's time for Youth Protection Training for all of our club members.

- Has your club already done it's 2026-27 training?
- Is there a date established for your club training during October or November?

If you haven't had your training or don't know when it will be held, then ask your club president or program chair when it is scheduled. This is required training and all members benefit from learning about best practices when working with children and youth.

Do not make the mistake of thinking that because your club does not sponsor a K-Kids, Builders Club, Key Club, Aktion Club or Circle K International Club, that your club members do not need this training! If your club members have anything to do with kids or youth, you and your club members need this training! I can't imagine a Kiwanis club that is not involved with kids!

Your dues to KI pay for this training: Kiwanis staff, liability insurance, policy development, Praesidium Training Modules, Praesidium Helpline, legal support and other services are paid for by each Kiwanis member.

So, what's next? Get the training done!! Go to our district website. Look for headings across the top. When you **see Resources,** click on it and a drop down will appear. **Youth Protection** is the first topic. Open that link and you find everything you need for club training**. The KI Policy and Guidelines Document** is there. Download it and print a copy.

Next is the actual training for 2026. Open that and take a look at it. Now you are ready for club training. Get the information to your club president or program chair and let them know it's all there for the club training. If your officers don't think it's necessary to do the training, contact your Lieutenant Governor and enlist them to help your club. They are capable of doing your club's training.

After your club training is complete, the club secretary needs to report that it has been done. On the district website page, there is a picture of what the secretary sees and where the question is located. The secretary can then report that your club has been trained.

As always, I am available for questions, so email me at laplaczek@cox.net to reach me.

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