

How To Host Fun Meetings

Key Club Meetings are one of the integral parts of running a successful club. Making sure that meetings are engaging will help keep members interested and will promote membership in the long run. It is also very important to not only gain member's interest but to keep it.

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Illinois-Eastern Iowa District

Plan your meetings

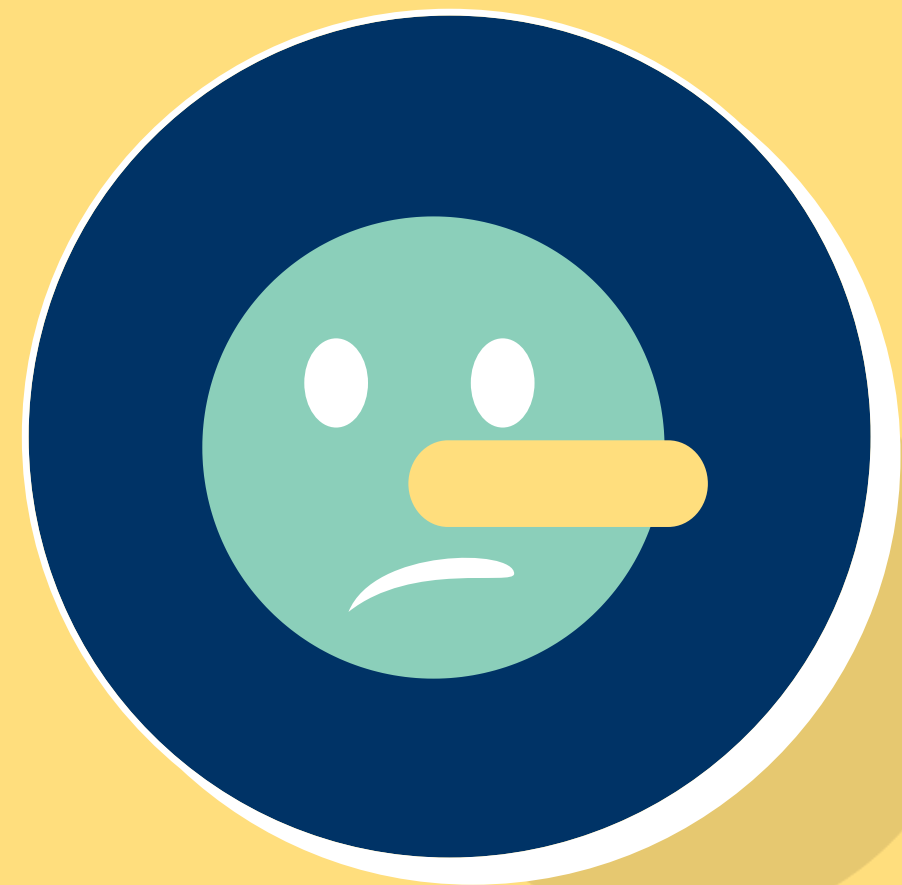
Don't be unprepared for your meetings. Have a slideshow or notes of your topic and what you want to bring up during the meeting. Having planned and efficient meetings will encourage members to come. Also, remember to take minutes, so if club members were not able to attend, they can still see what was discussed.



Icebreakers

Starting off Key Club Meetings with icebreakers is a good way to get members excited for the rest of the meeting. Icebreakers can introduce people to one another in a fun way, and they energize participants.

Two truths and a lie: To play the game, one person will need to come up with three statements (one of those must be a lie) and the rest of the group has to guess what the lie is. This is a very simple game, and it is a lot of fun!



Share something you learned over quarantine. Since most members have been stuck at home for a long time, there will likely be a lot of interesting conversations that will spark from this question.

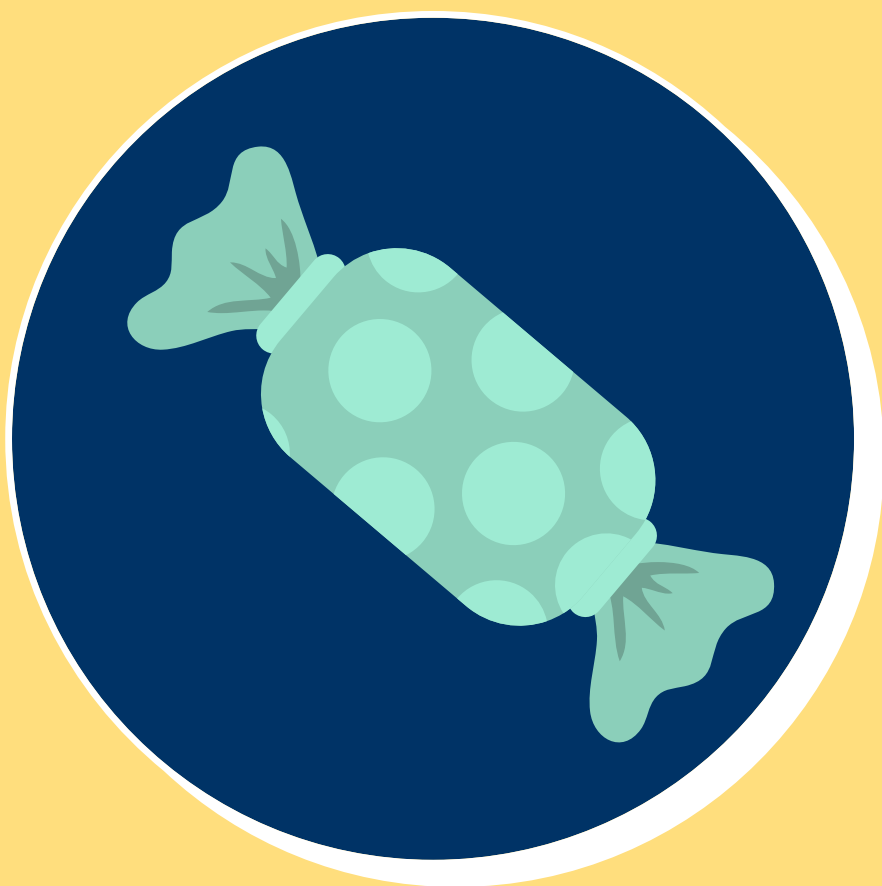
Would you rather?: This is a super fun game to make challenging decisions and learn more about your club members. There are also many ways to modify the game. For example, you can make a Key Club themed Would you rather?



Incentives

Some club members might have a hard time coming to meetings, so using incentives is a great way to get a better turn-out.

Pizza slice/ice cream party: This is a great way to attract a lot of new or even inactive members. It is an easy way of getting lots of people to come to a meeting, and while there are there you can have an informative meeting.



Meeting Raffle: I-I's Batavia Key Club uses a meeting raffle, where you write your name down for attending meetings, and one person gets chosen to receive candy. This is a great way to retain members.

Event passes: Another raffle idea as an incentive would be to gift free passes for events. You can make the requirements to enter into these raffles whatever works for your club as long as it encourages attendance.



Social Events

It is very beneficial to hang out with members of your club outside of service, so why not make it fun?

Kiwanis Pot Luck: Invite your local Kiwanis members and go to a restaurant. You can also bring a friend to promote Key Club and new members. Bring some canned food and turn it into a service event as well!



Movie Meeting: Invite your members to bring a friend and come to a movie meeting with your club. You can hold a poll over what movie to watch, and the ticket for entry can be something for service like a donation of socks or food.

Skating For Service: Host a social event where you and your members can skate and each member can bring toiletries for a local rape crisis shelter.

