Comparing Starting a Satellite to Charting a Club

| Satellite Club | Charter Club |
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| Support: Each satellite club has the extra support of a sponsoring CKI club, in addition to district leaders and staff members. The sponsoring CKI club provides recruitment assistance, collaboration opportunities, and advice. | Support: You're never on your own when it comes to chartering a club. Many district leaders and staff members are dedicated to assisting in creating new clubs. |
| Paperwork: The Club Satellite Recognition Form must be completed. This is an agreement between the satellite club and the sponsoring CKI club. Information about satellite members is submitted on this form. | Paperwork: The Petition to Charter must be completed. Also club bylaws must be submitted with this petition, which can be based off of the Club Bylaws Standard Form that CKI provides. |
| Cost: Each satellite club member pays the membership fee that the sponsoring club asks from its members. | Cost: There is an initial cost of \$400-\$600 for the chartering kit, in addition to the per member fee that is associated with the district. This initial cost depends on the specific kit selected. |
| Approval: Approval is needed from the host CKI club, sponsoring Kiwanis club, and the district board prior to beginning the process. The CKI director must approve for the satellite club to be officially recognized. | Approval: The sponsoring Kiwanis club, school administration, and chartering club leaders must submit paperwork. The club also is responsible for notifying the district administrator of its plans to charter. |
| Leadership: Members of the satellite club are unable to hold a club, district, or international leadership position. | Leadership: In addition to the experience of chartering a new club, members can hold leadership positions at the club, district, and international level. |
| Membership: A satellite club does not have a minimum membership requirement. Once the satellite club has 15 members, it has 3 months to officially charter. For 4-year schools with less than 5,000 students and 2-year schools, this is true once 10 members are obtained. | Membership: A club must have 15 members to charter. In 2-year schools or schools with less than 5,000 students, 10 members is required. |
| Limitations: A satellite club is a temporary set-up prior to chartering. The club is expected to charter within 2 years; however, this time limit may be extended. | Limitations : A club must meet the requirements set by CKI to remain active. |