

Member Inductions

Holding member inductions is a great way to recognize new members in the club. This can be done during a normal meeting or as a formal banquet. No individuals should be inducted until their dues have been paid.

To formally recognize those students who successfully completed your orientation program and who have pledged to be an active member of CKI, a banquet should be held in their honor. An appropriate setting should be chosen, and CKI members from all over the district and your sponsoring Kiwanis club should be invited to this festive occasion. This should be a memorable event for your new members.

Use the following checklist to ensure you plan accordingly for your induction banquet.

- Set a date, time, and location.
- One month prior to the induction banquet, contact the Kiwanis International Supplies Department to order new member pins.
- Three weeks prior to the induction banquet, mail out invitations to sponsoring Kiwanis club members, CKI clubs in the district, and the district officers.
- Invite your lieutenant governor to perform the inductions. If her or she is unable to make it, your club president or sponsoring Kiwanis club president should conduct the induction.
- If there will be food at this event, make arrangements for catering three weeks prior to the banquet.
- Purchase name tags and decorations for the event.
- Develop the induction banquet program. Include the schedule of events for the evening and the names of all students being inducted.
- Confirm food and space arrangements.
- On the day of the event, spend plenty of time decorating and finalizing arrangements.

INDUCTION BANQUET AGENDA

The following agenda lists a recommended order of events for your induction banquet.

- I. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. CKI Pledge (List this inside your program, so all are able to say it.)
- III. Invocation
- IV. Meal (if applicable)
- V. Speaker
- VI. Inductions
- VII. Closing remarks

Note: If a meal is not served, refreshments of a simpler nature can follow the induction ceremony.

Member Induction Program Planning Form

Date of program: _____

Time of program: _____

Location of program: _____

Task	Individual Responsible	Deadline
Room reservations	_____	_____
Food	_____	_____
Membership pins (from CKI)	_____	_____
Fill out certificates of membership	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Are there special guests who should be invited (including District Board members, sponsoring Kiwanis club, or school officials)? _____

Is there a speaker who needs to be secured? Does he or she know their topic?

CKI Club Member Induction Ceremony Script

The following script can be used to perform the induction of your new members. You should complete biographical information for each individual being inducted and insert it into the script.

Inductor:

CKI is such an incredible organization, each of us should want to share its opportunities with others. Surely there is no better evidence of our interest in involving more individuals in service than the induction of new members. Today we are very pleased to induct a number of new members into the CKI club of _____. I would like to invite all of these individuals and sponsors to come forward at this time.

Today we are pleased to bring these individuals into membership of this CKI club. They already have demonstrated their commitment to CKI by completing our orientation program that consisted of service projects, educational programs, and social activities. One by one, I will introduce each member. Would new members please come to the front to receive your pin, and then please remain in the front? Would returning members please stand at their seats?

(Read names.)

Thank you. Returning members may now be seated.

New members, at this time I would like each of you to make your membership pledge by repeating after me:

“I am committed to living the values of service, leadership, and fellowship associated with CKI International membership.

“I promise to serve my community and campus as an active member of CKI.

“I will support the objects of CKI.

“And I will do my very best to inspire others to better our world.”

At this time, I ask that the sponsors officially welcome them to the club by giving each new member a member pin. We now receive you into the membership of the CKI club of _____. I welcome you into our fellowship. We know each of you brings strengths to our CKI club, just as we surely know that membership in this club will bring many rewarding experiences into your life.

Today we have brought into our club new members, each representing new fellowship, enthusiastic service, and new ideas. Each has been introduced to their responsibilities as a club member. Let us now commit ourselves to our new members, to accept them into the full fellowship of this club, to assure them full opportunities to involve themselves in the activities of this club, and to give them every reason to share our pride of membership in the CKI club of _____.

Will you please join me in welcoming our newest members.

(Lead in applause.)

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