The Three R's: Recruiting, Retaining, and Remaining Relevant



Introductions

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New Student Conference Overview

- ► Total number of Conferences- 21 College Station and 9 Galveston conferences
- ► Total number of Interest Forms- 1000+ Aggie Mom Interest forms have been distributed and processed to Club Presidents
- ► Total number of moms requesting to be adopted- 75+ from all over the U.S. and abroad.

Recruiting New Moms

- ► Network with your local high school counselors
- ► React quickly to the New Mom Interest forms
- ▶ Make use of the new brochure

► Be visible on Social Media- especially Facebook

Recruiting New Moms

- ▶ On August 27, 2018 request the permanent addresses for the new & transfer students in your zip code areas Directions to order your list are on the Federation website.
- Do a phone number search of the names provided to your club
- ► Make personal phone calls
- Send hand addressed invitations or notes of welcome

Aggiemoms.org/eislistprogram/



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Please return the form more than two weeks (plus mailing time) before needed.

Email the completed Form to eis-data@tamu.edu or Fax the completed Form to (979) 862-7467.

View, Complete, and Email/Print the Form:

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Mentor Moms

- ► Recruit current members to be Mentor Moms
- Ask them to call and invite the new moms to sit with them at meetings
- Stay in contact and introduce the new moms to others with similar interests
- Make calls or send notes if a new mom doesn't come to a couple of meetings

► Regular meetings

▶ Socials

► Special Interest sub-groups

► Ring of Honor

Meetings

- ▶ Send E-vites or emails advertising your meetings and the featured topic or speaker
- ► Run efficient meetings
- Speakers that represent various interests
 - ▶ Suggestions on the Federation website of faculty, students and administrators
 - ► TAMU Press- offer fundraising opportunities as well as a wide variety of authors
 - ► Former students from your community

Socials

- ▶ Plan regular gatherings that are purely social
 - Wine tastings
 - ▶ Painting With a Twist or Vino Artino
 - Brewery tours
 - Dinners
 - ▶ Shopping excursions- Kendra Scott, Local Boutiques, and shops.
- Include spouses/significant others
 - ► Moms & Margaritas with Dads & Drafts
 - ► Sports Watch Parties
- Include your students if during the holidays

- ► Create Special Interest Sub-Groups
 - Bunco
 - ► Book Clubs
 - Dinner Clubs
 - ► Quilting/Sewing groups
 - Crafting Clubs
 - ► Corps Moms

► Ring of Honor

- ▶ Don't neglect your moms of graduates and don't let them fade away
- ► Create a group for moms of former students and graduate students
- Still full dues paying members
- ► Specific gatherings 2-4 times per year just for these moms
- ▶ This group is often where you can pull leaders for your club
- ► Create something for their nametags to denote their membership

- Personalize your outreach
- Make phone calls to ask for volunteers
- Breakdown jobs to smaller tasks
- ▶ Poll your members for ideas- make them feel like they have a say in club activities and decisions

- ► Frequent and regular communication with your members
 - ▶ Use multiple forms for communication
 - ▶ Newsletters- these can be emailed
 - ▶ Phone tree
 - ► E-vites
 - ► Volunteer Spot
 - ► KEEP YOUR WEBSITE CURRENT!!

- ► Keep your mission present in your meetings
 - ▶ Invite your scholarship recipients and their families to a special meeting/dinner
 - ► Honor your graduates and their moms- give each mom & dad a Payday candy bar!
 - ▶ Read some of the thank you letters from students at your meetings

- Create a Big Event to coincide with the TAMU event in March
- ► Participate in your local Muster
- ► Have a Dad's Appreciation dinner with a speaker that is of interest to them
- Make your goody bag assembly and delivery a club wide event

- Group Share Ideas
 - ► How often does your club meet
 - ▶ Do you have separate social and business meetings
 - ▶ What was your favorite program
 - What is you best attended activity
 - ▶ What else would you like to share