

# KEY CLUB

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## ENROLLMENT

### ARE YOU READY FOR SCHOOL?

Guess What! School starts back up on the 19<sup>th</sup> of August! Isn't that exciting? Well, it's not very exciting but it means all of our old and new key club members get a new club shirt to wear, which is always fun. Key Club was active all summer but when school starts we will raise the pace and have more service projects for all of our members to participate in. So, if you've been slow with your hours in the summer, there are plenty of opportunities for you to make up your hours during the school year.

### WHY THE IN KEY CLUB?

In 1925, California State Commissioner of Schools Albert C. Olney and vocational education teacher Frank C. Vincent worked to establish the first Key Club at Sacramento High School in California. This club was comprised of the key boys in the school, willing to serve the school in any way possible and to create better

school spirit. Thus the club was dubbed Key Club. (Taken from [keyclub.org](http://keyclub.org))

### SERVICE FAIR

The first Key Club meeting of the year is home to our Service Fair. This meeting allows all of the board members to showcase and explain their individual projects. At this time members can sign up for contact lists to be alerted about service opportunities. It is a very informative meeting and probably the most important meeting all year long.



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**“**  
**Volunteering was always a part of my life. I never knew anything different.**  
 Maggie Cruz-Ledon,  
 former Key Clubber  
**”**

Send pictures to the editor at [editor@jenkskeyclub.org](mailto:editor@jenkskeyclub.org) to get points!! One point for every 3 pictures

## Governor's Project: Bullying

Every year the Texas- Oklahoma District of Key Club elects a new governor, and each new governor promotes his/her own project for everyone to participate in. This year our Governor is Luke Broussard and he has an anti-bullying agenda. Therefore, Jenks Key Club is raising awareness about the damage that bullying causes and we need your help. If you feel the urge to belittle or treat someone with disrespect, please do not. While these words seem old hat or assumed, the people that think they are in control of the outcome of their words are often ashamed when they learn of their

word's effect. The best advice is the golden rule: Treat others how you want to be treated.

### Bullying Story:

I'd never been bullied and had never really seen anyone bullied, people in my school treated each other with respect for the most part. But the summer before my freshman year of high school I had my first encounter with bullies. Camps had never really been my thing because I have always been a little quiet and shy, but that year my mom forced me to go to a Native American camp. She thought it would be a great cultural experience but I knew it'd be another camp where I would

feel alone. To preface this, I don't look a lick Native American, I am whiter than white. So a camp full of Native Americans promised bad times for me. I was never bullied there for my skin or hair color though; it was for my choice of friends. I had no idea that the first person I befriended would define the rest of camp for me. She was several years younger than me and was admittedly "weird". She knew people there but those people did not like her. They would call her "lesbian" and follow us around and say really rude things to us. We were entertainment to them. Those girls weren't even older than me; they were younger by about two years. The problem was that I have always looked younger than I am and

those girls didn't believe me when I said I was a freshman, plus there was no way for me to prove my age. This story is kind of funny looking back, but it wasn't at the time. I tried my hardest to be strong and stand up for myself and my little friend but it was too much to handle. The first couple of nights I cried silently in my bunk, those were some of the most alone moments of my life. While this is a memory I don't like to look back on, sometimes I think about the girl I befriended at that camp and wonder if she ever stood up for herself against those girls; I only had to endure them for a week, but she had to endure them for who knows how long afterward. -Unknown

## UPCOMING PROJECTS

### Pet Pals

The PetSmart at 71<sup>st</sup> and Mingo is always needing more volunteers to walk dogs on Saturdays email [pals@jenkskeyclub.org](mailto:pals@jenkskeyclub.org) for more info

[specialprojects@jenkskeyclub.org](mailto:specialprojects@jenkskeyclub.org)

Be sure to check the Jenks Key Club Website and Facebook page for more information about all of the projects going on during the summer.

### School Supplies Table

Jenks middle school needs volunteers to help run the school supplies table on Saturday, August 10<sup>th</sup>. Shifts are 8-10, 10-12, and from 2-4. Two or Three people are needed per shift. Contact

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