

## Answers to everything you want to ask about A.S.K.

### **WHEN and WHERE does A.S.K. meet?**

- One day per week in a church
- 10 weeks in the Fall to study the Old Testament
- 10 weeks in the Spring to study the New Testament (Students sign up for fall and spring semesters separately)

### **WHO is included in A.S.K.?**

- Elementary school students. This includes grades k-5 or 6, depending on the breakdown of the grades in your community elementary schools.
- Teaching Director, Associate Teaching Director, and Coordinator attend Leadership Training in order to start a class. (view start up kit for the job description of roles)
- Other locally trained leadership roles include, Core Leaders, a Prayer Chairman, Snack chairman, Music chairman, and Mustard Seed Leaders (to lead the younger children of the leaders)

### **WHAT LESSONS ARE USED?**

- All grades do the same A.S.K. lesson, but answer age specific questions on that lesson.
- Each child gets a notebook with all 10 lessons for the semester. At the end of the semester, they return the notebook for use the following semester and receive a folder to store their old lessons in.
- They do the first lesson together in their Core Group on the first day to show them how to do a lesson
- Students receive a one time gift of an NIV Zondervan Discovery Bible (ordered by the Coordinator for \$11.50 online), which they will use all their years at A.S.K.
- They also receive a \$1.00 canvas bag to hold their lessons and Bibles. They will get a new bag every year and the children can decorate their bags if they want to

### **DETAILS ABOUT A.S.K.**

- Each Core Group must have with 2 leaders. (One can be a helper and can be in high school). You can put 2 groups in one room if you cannot find enough leaders to have 2 in every group but it will be more distracting. Pray and ask God to send your leaders and be bold in asking those who are gifted with children and have a passionate faith in God and who love His Word.
- It is best to divide girls and boys into separate groups.
- All leaders must sign the child protection policy and the Student CBS Servant Shepherd form. (Background checks are advisable).
- Core Leaders will call or contact their children every week by phone and notes. Parents are informed of this after the first day to get their permission.

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- Male Core Leaders or high school boy helpers are needed for the boys if possible. Make this a matter of prayer because of the time of day a.s.k. meets.
- It should be decided before the class begins what your maximum enrollment can be, according to your amount of classroom space and number of leaders. After the 2nd class, it is helpful to close enrollment if you have enough children to allow bonding in the groups to happen.

### **WHAT DOES an A.S.K. class day look like?**

- 3:45-4:00 students arrive and go to their Core Groups for snacks and visiting
- 4:00-4:45 Students go over the lesson and the memory verse. This is done in an upbeat creative way with ideas given by the TD and ATD.
- 4:45-5:30 Students go to a large room for the Large group time which includes
  - singing 3 or 4 songs with motions
  - the pledge of allegiance with a God fact about the US
  - a God cheer (which reminds them of who they are in Christ)
  - a 10 minute interactive talk by the TD or ATD over the passage
  - several interactive cheers between the groups and the leader, going over the memory verses for the semester with motions.
- Playing a game while parents are arriving and picking students up.

### **FINANCES:**

- The fee is \$20 per 10 week semester (fall and spring).
- The children sign up for each semester separately.
- \$5.00 of each semester fee will be sent to National.
- Donations will always be needed and welcome to help pay for snacks, Bibles, and canvass bags.

### **WHY A.S.K.?**

Our feed back has been overwhelming that the children **love** to come to ASK CBS. They will decline birthday parties to come and families often do the child's lesson as a family devotion time. Parents can carpool with working parents as an outreach to families with working parents.

### **HOW CAN WE START A NEW CLASS?**

To begin a new class a prayer group must form and meet regularly and do the CBS study called If You Will Pray. A Student CBS Area Director will be assigned to shepherd your prayer group and help you prepare for Leadership Training. The Area Director will help you obtain the If You Will Pray lessons to do as a prayer group.

May God bless your vision for After School Kids CBS!!