

## HOW CAN A LIONS CLUB BECOME INVOLVED?

### 1. Visit Schools

It's really quite simple...

The *FIRST AIM* of Lions Quest is for ALL SCHOOLS TO BE AWARE of these excellent programs.

School priorities vary from school to school and change with time, so we want every school to know about LIONS QUEST. We want them to know that **Skills for Growing** and **Skills for Adolescence** are evidence-based programs with a history of success and we want to be their program of choice for their \*SEL implementation.

\* Social and Emotional Learning

SO WHAT CAN YOU DO ABOUT THIS?



#### ACTION Idea 1:

### MAKE SURE YOUR LOCAL SCHOOLS KNOW ABOUT THE LIONS QUEST PROGRAMS!

Identify your local primary and secondary schools and deliver a Lions Quest information pack to each of them.

School information packs are available from the Lions Quest office – toll free phone 1800 805 334.

REMEMBER: It won't be necessary for you to answer questions about the programs, or how they can be used in the school.

Schools can call the toll-free number if they have questions.

# HOW CAN LIONS BECOME MORE INVOLVED?

## 2. Organise a Workshop

So... you've taken the first step... and now you'd like to do a bit more.

Well... the *ULTIMATE AIM* of Lions Quest is for an EVER INCREASING NUMBER of accredited teachers to be using the Lions Quest programs in their classrooms.

And before they can use the program, teachers must attend a one-day TEACHER ACCREDITATION WORKSHOP.

You've already made contact with your local schools... now you can revisit them with a proposed workshop date. Or you could ask them about days/sates that would suit them best.

While there are a number of steps involved in organising a TEACHER ACCREDITATION WORKSHOP, it's not too difficult. The Lions Quest office will give you plenty of help and THEY WILL PROVIDE THE TRAINER.



### ACTION Idea 2:

### ORGANISE A LIONS QUEST TEACHER ACCREDITATION WORKSHOP.

Speak to the Lions Quest office about scheduling a workshop date for your area and some help with spreading the word to local schools.

It will be at least 3 months down the track.

You can also discuss the type of venue required for a workshop, and the costs involved.

The office will send you some sample classroom materials and workshop planning information.



#### Idea!

USE the Workshop Planning Checklist to help you move through the planning steps.



**Step 1:** Locate a suitable workshop venue, have a chat with the office about the facilities and make a booking.

Size and other requirements for a workshop venue are listed on the WORKSHOP PLANNING SHEET.



**Step 2:** Give the details to the office and they'll prepare a workshop flier to be mailed/faxed/email delivered to schools.

The workshop flier will tell schools that financial assistance MAY be available from a local Lions Club. Let your Club/s know that a school might ask for some help... they might like to make a decision in advance about what their response will be.



**Step 3:** Make a follow-up phone call or visit to your school principals to see if they'd like further information – or if they'd like to see some sample classroom materials. <u>Tell them you're organising a workshop</u> and you're sure they'd like to send 2 or more teachers along. You can probably offer them some sponsorship from your Club or another local Lions Club.

Deliver sample materials and workshop information to the school. You might like to record school details on the <u>SCHOOL DETAILS SHEET</u>. Tell them you'll come back in a week (or 2) to see what they think. Let them know that when you return you'll ask for names for the workshop.



Step 4: Organise workshop catering.

This is easy... the venue might provide morning tea and lunch, or your Club might do a sausage sizzle!



**Step 5:** Check back with the schools to collect your sample curriculum materials... see how strong the interest is, and how many teachers will be attending the workshop.

For each teacher you will need to find out which grade-level materials they will require. You can use the <u>PARTICIPANT LIST</u> to record this information, and let the office know 2 weeks before the workshop. These materials will be sent to an address you nominate in time for the workshop.



Step 6: For some schools you will need to repeat Step 5.

Schools are very busy places and sometimes they need to be reminded!



Idea.

Include some Lions and other key community members in the workshop. They will enjoy finding out what this exciting program is all about and what role they can play in school implementation.

Building parent and community partnerships is an important aspect of Lions Quest, and the workshop is a good place to model this.

Community participants can attend for a reduced cost as they don't require classroom materials.



**Step 7:** Finalise workshop arrangements... ENJOY THE DAY... AND GIVE YOURSELF A PAT ON THE BACK FOR A JOB WELL DONE!

Assist the office with final arrangements and maybe help the trainer with travel from the airport and to the workshop. Delegate a couple of fellow Lions to help on the day.

