

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT: ALL-STAR KIDS

What is it?

All-Star Kids is the children's ministry at Southeast. Our vision is to *team up with parents to train champions for Jesus Christ*. We aim to provide not only children's programming at church, but resources and support to parents as they nurture spiritual growth in the home.

Isn't children's ministry just childcare?

No way! In addition to providing a safe environment and loving care, All-Star Kids provides clear, creative, child-targeted approach to Bible teaching and experiencing worship. We also value providing opportunities for children to serve.

The "training" experience at All-Star Kids includes 5 components:

Discipleship: Bible School classes; CLUB56; Membership classes

Worship: KIDS Church, Jr. Kids Church; Wee Worship

Service: Bimonthly service projects (ie, yard work, food pantry)

Fellowship: Bimonthly activities (ie, sledding, biking)

Mission: Family Outreach events; VBS; Operation Christmas Child

Even in the Nursery, infants begin to experience the love of Christ through music, prayer and bible stories.

Why does teaching the children matter?

Research regarding all facets of moral and spiritual development—whether related to world view, beliefs or behavior—shows that such development starts as early as age two. Social scientists have known for years that the moral foundations of children are generally determined by age nine (Barna Research Group, 2003).

Who works in All-Star Kids?

Thankfully our children's ministry does not rely on the tireless efforts of one staff person! We have a volunteer, team-based leadership around various ministry age groups and programs. Watch for future "Volunteer Spotlights" in the Enews so that you can get to know these talented and faithful leaders!

I want to help, but...

I'm afraid of a "never-ending" commitment.

Volunteer commitments are for only one year at a time, or consider being a substitute on call

I don't want to teach.

We need supply coordinators, toy cleaners, administrators, classroom helpers and more

I don't have any experience.

Volunteers are provided initial and ongoing training and support; new teachers are mentored under an experienced teacher

To find out more about what's going on in All-Star Kids or how to volunteer, visit our website at www.southeast.cc, click on children's ministry.