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Certification - North American Division

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES CERTIFICATIONS



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1) What is NAD Children's Ministries Certification?

The NAD CM Certification is recognition given upon completion of a series of workshops, seminars, and personal study. This study program has been designed to help a person become knowledgeable about the Word of God, the needs of children, and the most effective teaching and programming methods.

2) How many tracks are there?

The NAD Children's Ministries Certification has 8 different tracks:

Various tracks will meet the needs of different kinds of leaders. For example, "Ministering to Parents" is a track specifically for parents. "Reaching Pastors and Elders" is a track for Pastor's and Elders. <http://www.childmin.org/certifications>

Track 1 Understanding Children

Track 2 Teaching Children

Track 3 Child Evangelism

Track 4 Creative Arts (Drama, Clowning, Puppetry, Praise and Worship, Face Painting, Ballooning)

Track 5 Leadership

Track 6 Ministering to Parents

Track 7 Reaching Pastors and Elders

Track 8 The Presenter

3) How can one become certified?

Each track has a theme and each course in the track is related to the theme. There are a total of 10 courses on each track. A minimum of 7 out of the 10 courses will need to be completed in order to receive a certificate of completion. Some courses are mandatory in order to complete certification for that track. Asterisks on the certification brochure will mark those courses. This approach to the certification is designed to make NAD Children's Ministries Certification attainable and purposeful.

4) How does the "Creative Arts" track differ from the other tracks?

The "Creative Arts" certification has 6 different areas: (*Drama, Clowning, Puppetry, Praise and Worship, Face Painting, Ballooning*). Each area contains 10 courses. In order to receive a certificate of completion for "Creative Arts" 7 out of 10 courses needs to be completed from just 1 of the 6 areas. An alternative way to receive a certificate of completion for the "Creative Arts" track would be to choose 3 courses from at least 3 of the different areas.

5) Where can one receive certification training?

Certification training is given throughout Seventh Day Adventist Unions and Conferences. Our Union and Conference directors provide children's ministries training throughout the North American Division territories at various times of the year. The tracks are chosen based on the needs of their constituents in their area.

The Conferences and dates can be found under the heading "Events" in the following link: <http://www.childmin.org>



Track 1: Understanding Children

Understanding Children is about comprehending various types of children and the way they develop, think, and behave. Understanding Children also provides ways to promote mental, physical, and spiritual growth.



Track 2: Teaching Children

Teaching Children imparts ideas and educational theories that help teach children in ways that are fun, dynamic, and spiritual.



Track 3: Child Evangelism

Child Evangelism can be seen in two ways: adults reaching children for Christ or children sharing their faith with others. Child Evangelism will expand on what evangelism is and the many methods and programs that can be incorporated when evangelizing.



Track 4: Creative Arts

The Creative Arts track presents fun and creative ways of sharing the gospel for both children and adults. There are 6 areas for the Creative Arts Ministry. One area or more can be chosen in order to receive a certificate of completion for Creative Arts.

- » Drama
- » Praise & Worship
- » Clowning
- » Face & Body Painting
- » Puppetry
- » Ballooning



Track 5: Leadership

Leadership reminds us first and foremost how important it is to follow the TRUE Leader for success in ministry. Leadership also covers skills and information particular to Children's Ministries.



Track 6: Ministering to Parents

Ministering to Parents helps parents and guardians understand that they play THE most important role in training up the child in the way she/he should go. This track also shares information and tips on how to manage pressing issues that children may face in this day and age.



Track 7: Reaching Pastors & Elders

Reaching Pastors and Elders gives pastors and elders an overview of Children's Ministries. This will help them to see why ministering to children is a vital part of our church and how they can help foster a nurturing environment for children and their families.



Track 8: The Presenter

The Presenter is a track specifically for those who have an interest in teaching others in the area of Children's Ministries. This track will share how to give a presentation and techniques for communicating most effectively.



The NAD has 8 certification areas for Children, Pastors, & Elders, and...

Each track has 10 classes in each track. You must complete that track. You can complete the track by using an assignment...

The "Creative Arts" areas: Drama, Praise & Worship, Face & Body Painting, Puppetry, Ballooning. Each area contains 10 classes. Upon completion of the 10 classes, you can choose 3 classes to receive a certificate of completion.

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