



## ACMA Membership Requirements

ACMA exists to bring a professional standard to Children's Ministry. This is done by establishing a membership that consists of individuals who uphold a high standard of excellence in their personal and professional life. Therefore, members must meet the following criteria.

- **Experience** (excluding internships)
  - One year as a compensated \*Children's Minister & Ordained and/or Licensed or
  - One year as a compensated \*Children's Minister & Bible College Degree or
  - Four years as a compensated \*Children's Minister  
*\*Definition of Children's Minister: Currently ministering directly to children and/or training others to minister to children*
- **Letter of Recommendation** from Ministry Supervisor or Senior Pastor
- **Clear a National Background Check**
- **Agree with the ACMA Statement of Faith**
- **Abide by the ACMA Standards of Excellence for Children's Ministers**
- **Submit the Membership application and \$79 annual fee**



## **Standards of Excellence for Children's Ministers**

**ACMA is made up of Children's Ministers who have received Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and uphold a standard of excellence in their ministry and personal life. ACMA promotes that its members should exemplify the following standards in their life.**

### **Personal Growth**

Leads personal life with the Word of God and prayer while in healthy relationships with other believers; prioritizes God, family and ministry appropriately

### **Ministry Leadership**

Practices teaching skills which lead children to salvation and growth in Christ; builds relationships with kids, parents, volunteers and paid staff; implements effective safety and security procedures; recruits, motivates and trains volunteers; relates well to authority; manages time productively; shares vision of the church; serves as a resource to parents, children's workers, children, and the church-at-large; models godly leadership

### **Professional Development**

Seeks to grow professionally through means such as studying, networking, conferences, continuing education and mentorship

## **ACMA Benefits**

**Being a member of ACMA entitles you to benefits that will assist you both in your ministry and personal life. Please review the website for an expanding array of benefits.**