



*Kappa Delta Pi's **Chalk Talk Café** is the newest way for professional KDP members to connect after graduating. Wouldn't you like to meet with other committed educators to share ideas and gain insight? Open a local venue yourself—it's easy and free. What a franchise!*

### **Getting started:**



Set up a brief meeting with former chapter members or officers to discuss forming a local KDP professional group.



Contact the Membership Department at Headquarters for current contact information on members in your area. Call 800-284-3167 or e-mail [membership@kdp.org](mailto:membership@kdp.org). Headquarters staff also will assist in sending a meeting notice.



Schedule an initial Chalk Talk Café at a local coffee shop, library, room on campus, or other conversation-friendly and centrally located spot. Refreshments for your first Café are on KDP Headquarters (up to \$50).



At the first meeting, gather potential members' input about possible formats for your Chalk Talk Café. Many educators welcome a neutral arena with professional colleagues from other schools to share challenges and receive support. Some suggested activities include:

- book talks
- favorite classroom tips, lesson plans, or challenges
- grant resources and how-to's
- guest speaker who discusses an area of specialization



Decide meeting time and frequency. Local groups typically meet three or four times per year. Encourage other members to help plan meetings and get involved.



Suggest that members bring a colleague to the next Chalk Talk Café.

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