

BV Connections

December | 2024





- December chapter mtg: Thursday, 12/5, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Fugett M.S., West Chester
- Game night (allages!):
 Saturday, 12/14,
 Wilmington, DE
- January chapter mtg (alumni welcome!): Thursday, 1/2, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Fugett M.S., West Chester
- 2025 CMC (chapter minicamp): 1/24 to 1/26 (registration details soon!)

(See our full calendar here.)

Connect with Us





Lock-In Fun!

Thanks to all the JB who participated in last month's lock-in (and to all the chaperones who made it possible). We're so happy to revive this annual BV tradition!

Looking for Delegates and Leaders!

A few important dates:

- The deadline to apply for our 2025 travel programs is 12/31.
- All applicants are required to attend our Chapter Mini-Camp during 1/24– 1/26 (location in Spring City, just north of Chester Springs).
- All applicants are required to participate in an in-person selection interview on 2/1 (location in Exton).



If you have any questions about the programs or the application process, let us know!

VILLAGE (born 9/1/2013 to 8/31/2014)

- Østvold, Norway: 6/28 to 7/25
- Netherlands: 7/18 to 8/9 (note this is a 3-week program)

YOUTH MEETING (born 9/1/2011 to 8/31/2013)

- Brasilia, Brazil: 7/12 to 7/26
- Tokai, Japan: 8/3 to 8/10 (note this is a 1-week program)

STEP UP 14 (born 9/1/2010 to 8/31/2011)

• Gothenburg, Sweden: 7/5 to 7/27

JC (FEMALE) (born 7/11/2007 to 6/26/2009)

• Isère, France: 7/11 to 8/7

FORTNIGHT (born 9/1/2010 to 6/26/2009)

Greater Springfield (MA): 6/27 to 7/10

SEMINAR (must be 16 before the day of departure for the program and cannot turn 18 during the program)

multiple locations/dates (contact us for the list)

Click here to download application forms

Our Passport Village Needs JCs!

Will you be at least 14 and not older than 17 this summer?

Are you available 6/16 to 6/20?

Do you love CISV and want to introduce kids age 9 and 10 to our amazing chapter?





If you answered "yes" to those questions, consider applying to be a JC at our Passport Village this summer! (Hamida, a recent JB alum and the director of our 2023 Passport Village, will be the director of this year's camp.)

The application deadline is 12/20. If you have any questions, <u>let us know!</u>

Click here to apply to be a Passport Village JC

CMC Is Just Around the Corner (and We WILL Need Chaperones!)



Mark our calendars for our annual Chapter Mini-Camp! This year's dates are 1/24 to 1/26, and the location is our usual camp site in the Chester Springs area. (Registration information will be sent out soon.)

This event is open to all JB members of our chapter. CMC is a great introduction to CISV, so if you have a friend who is new to CISV and interested in coming to CMC, please invite them!

PARENTS/GUARDIANS: We will need several chaperones for CMC! If your child plans to attend CMC, please consider signing up to be a chaperone. It's an easy and fun way to help our chapter. If your child has tried to explain "activities" to you and you have



no idea what they're talking about it, or if want a firsthand look at what a CISV camp is like, this is a great opportunity to learn about CISV (and meet other families in our chapter).

It can take a few weeks to get clearances lined up, so contact our clearances coordinator ASAP to make sure your clearances are up to date or to get the ball rolling on new ones!

Junior Branch (JB) Report

We had another great turnout for our November meeting! Congratulations to Nora B, the winner of our 2024 t-shirt design contest. If you want to order a t-shirt or hoodie (or one of each!) with this design, follow this link. (Note that the ordering deadline is December 9.)



CISV is a worldwide, nonreligious, nonpolitical, nonprofit organization that enables participants age 10+ to build global friendships through local chapter meetings and international and domestic camps.







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