

Tri-Cities High School

Student Government Constitution

Preamble

We, the students of the Tri-Cities High School Student Government Association, in order to promote and practice good citizenship, provide for student participation in school government, develop leadership qualities in ourselves and others, promote better communication between faculty and students, increase investment in the community of East Point, coordinate and promote worthwhile student activities, stimulate and develop a healthy school spirit, and promote the general welfare of the school, do hereby establish this constitution.

Article I: Appellation

The name of this organization shall be the Tri-Cities Student Government Association.

Article II: Objectives & Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be to

- a. Represent the voice of the student body to students, faculty, administration, and community
- b. Be a conduit by which all students can actively engage and participate in impacting our school and the East Point community
- c. Develop leadership skills, engage in service, and practice civic engagement towards the goal of creating high caliber student leaders and role models
- d. Support the vision and mission of the Fulton County School System and Tri-Cities High School

Article III: Organization & Membership

The Tri-Cities High School Student Government Association Membership is two-tiered.

Tier 1: Rising sophomores, juniors and seniors may apply and interview to be selected for the Student Government Association class, herein referred to as the "Elected Officers & Leaders." Members of the Student Government Assn. are expected to be in good academic standing and adhere to all Fulton County codes of conduct as prescribed in the student handbook.

Tier 2: The larger organization of Student Government General Body (Club) will fall under the leadership of the Elected Officers & Leaders of SGA. Student Government General Body (Club) is open to any and all students who wish to see the purposes of this organization accomplished.

Article IV: Authority

Section 1: All powers of the Student Government are delegated to it by the school administration and or the Fulton County Board of Education.

Section 2: All actions of the Student Government are subject to review, and possible veto, by the principal, Dr. Ethel Lett.

Section 3: The principal shall appoint a member of the faculty, Ms. Ashley Hollins, as an advisor to aid the student government in its activities and projects.

Section 4: In order to modify rules and regulations involving the student body, faculty, administration, and staff, the student government must bring their consensus to the principal, assistant principals,

and student government sponsor for review and consideration.

Article V: Officers

Section 1: The elected Officers shall be a President, Vice President, Junior Officer, Sophomore Officer, Freshman Officer, Secretary, and Treasurer. The President of Student Government Assn. will also assume the responsibilities of the Senior Representative.

Section 2: The President, Junior Representative, Sophomore Representative, and Freshman Representative shall select a group of diverse students outside of the Student Government Leadership class to aid in responsibilities of representing their respective classes. These students must be approved by the student council members of the respective grade levels.

Section 3: All elected officers and representatives must be voted on by the Student Government in the first month of the year in an open democratic process. The Student Government Sponsor must certify all votes. In the case of a tie, the Sponsor will select the victor.

Section 4: If an additional office is needed, the Student Government Leadership must come to a unanimous agreement on the duties and purpose of any additional position.

Section 5: If for any reason, an officer or member is unable or unwilling to fulfill their duties as stated in the constitution, the SGA sponsor may remove and replace them at their own discretion.

Article VI: Powers & Duties of SGA Elected Officers & Leaders

Section 1: The President Shall

- a. Encourage and set an example in leadership, politeness, honesty, promptness, and good school spirit.
- b. Attend at least all of Student Government Assn. General Body (Club) meetings.
- c. Conduct and chair SGA's General Body (Club) meetings.
- d. Set the agenda and maintain parliamentary procedures for General Body (Club) meetings.
- e. Represent the Tri-Cities High School student body when appropriate.
- f. Appoint committees with the Vice President.
- g. Call special meetings when necessary.
- h. Vote only in the case of a tie.
- i. Attend meetings with the principal to facilitate communication among the student body, Student Government Association, and administration.
- j. Serve as the voice of the student body by leading the morning announcments.
- k. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 80%.

Section 2: The Vice President Shall

- a. Encourage and set an example in leadership, politeness, honesty, promptness, and good school spirit.
- b. Aid in appointing committees.
- c. Assist the President as he/she may direct.
- d. Take the place of the President if and when absent.
- e. Succeed to the office of the President in the event of his/her resignation, removal, or inability to execute his/her duties.
- f. Attend at least \(\frac{2}{3} \) of all SGA's General Body (Club) meetings.
- g. Assist President with morning announcements.
- h. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 80%.

Section 3: The Secretary shall

- a. Encourage and set an example in leadership, politeness, honesty, promptness, and good school spirit.
- b. Take minutes of all meetings and keep a record.
- c. Attend at least 3/3 of all SGA's General Body (Club) meetings.
- d. Distribute and make copies of all minutes as needed.
- e. Preside at meetings in place of the President and Vice President.
- f. Work with Ms. Hollins to plan and organize social media posts and update website to ensure all

- stakeholders are well informed.
- g. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 80%.

Section 4: The Treasurer shall

- a. Encourage and set an example in leadership, politeness, honesty, promptness, and good school spirit.
- b. Keep records of all monetary transactions.
- c. Chair all fundraising efforts.
- d. Attend at least ¾ of all SGA's General Body (Club) meetings.
- e. Work with the school bookkeeper and sponsor to create budgets.
- f. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 80%.

Section 5: Freshman, Sophomore, & Junior Class Officers shall

- a. Encourage and set an example in leadership, politeness, honesty, promptness, and good school spirit.
- b. Head their respective class members within Student Government Leadership & General Body (Club).
- c. Work with the class sponsor to coordinate various grade-level events and tasks.
- d. Select members of their class to take on leadership roles within grade level SGA/General Body (Club).
- e. Call special meetings for their respective class members.
- f. Organize events specifically related to their class.
- g. Attend at least 3/3 of all Student Council meetings.
- h. Represent their class to the student body, faculty, administration, and community when appropriate.
- Junior & Sophomore Class Officer Assists President & Vice-President with morning announcements.
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 80%.

Article VII: Powers & Duties of Student Government General Body (Club) Members

Section 1: Members shall attend all meetings.

Section 2: Members shall conduct themselves as a representative of Tri-Cities High School at

ALL times Section 3: Stay up to date and actively participate in activities and meetings planned

by the SGA

Section 4: Every member must continue to maintain a cumulative GPA of 75%