

Club name _____

SCHOOL CLUB CONSTITUTION

Please provide the information requested below. Additional pages may be used. A signature on Section I is required.

- I. **Conditions of Operation:** Conditions of operation are found in Anchorage School District policy and in the Student Handbook under Student Clubs and on the back of this form. I agree to abide by the conditions and rules contained there:

Student Signature _____

Date _____

II. **Statement of Purpose:** Include the reason for forming the Club and activities the Club will perform. The Club may act only in the ways noted here and may raise or expend funds only for the purposes stated here.

III. **Constitution:** Please provide the following:

A. **Name of staff monitor:**

B. **Name of students proposing the club:**

C. **Rules of club meeting operation:**

D. **Process and terms for election of officers:**

E. **Proposed meeting times and location:**

Principal Signature _____

Date _____

School Clubs

Unit principals shall permit students to organize clubs within the following criteria:

- a. Students may organize extracurricular clubs provided that the club formation and activities are student-initiated and voluntary.
- b. Membership in a student-organized extracurricular club is open to all students.
- c. A student-organized extracurricular club shall have a school monitor who ensures that school policies are not violated but who does not participate in the club.
- d. Non-school persons (i.e., persons who are neither students nor employees of the Anchorage School District) shall not direct, control, conduct or regularly attend the meetings or activities of student-organized extracurricular clubs.
- e. The activities of a student-organized extracurricular club shall take place only during non-instructional time.
- f. The school shall not expend public funds to the student-organized extracurricular club beyond the incidental cost of providing the space for meetings.
- g. Student-organized extracurricular clubs are expressly prohibited from the following: interfering with the orderly conduct of the educational purpose and activities of the school; promoting, encouraging, or sanctioning activities that are unlawful; abridging the constitutional rights of any person; or compelling a school agent or employee to attend a meeting that is contrary to the beliefs of that agent or employee.
 1. The school principal retains the right to prohibit activities and meetings and to disband clubs which engage in the above-listed conduct.
 2. Student-organized extracurricular clubs may appeal to the School Board if a school administrator orders that the club be disbanded.
- h. Student-organized extracurricular clubs must have a club purpose statement and constitution which is approved by the school principal prior to initiation of club activities. School administration will provide a standard format, requirements and advice on production of the purpose statement and constitution. All statements in the constitution must be correct and factual. The statements of purpose and constitution may not:
 1. Exclude students from membership.
 2. Propose unlawful or violent acts.
 3. Propose or otherwise entail a violation of any of the criteria set forth in School Board Policy 347.1 or any other policy of the Anchorage School District.
- i. A student-organized extracurricular club may raise and expend funds for purposes only endorsed in the club statement of purpose and constitution.
- j. The School District does not endorse or sponsor the meeting or activities of student-initiated clubs. Student clubs exist as an expression of individual rights and are the sole responsibility of the membership.