

**ARIZONA TEEN AGE REPUBLICANS
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

(Please Print in Black or Blue Ink)

First Name

MI

Last Name

Street Address

Apt#

City /State /Zip

Phone Number

Other/Cell Number

Email Address

High School Name

Expected Date of Graduation

Club Name

Advisor

Birth Date

Current Age

Grade

Legislative District

Congressional District

Precinct

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Chairman Signature: _____

Date: _____

Adviser Signature: _____

Date: _____



CLUB REGISTRATION FORM

CLUB NAME: _____

On /Off Campus: _____ Home School _____ Name of School: _____

Month & Year Club Started _____ Annual Club Elections: _____

CLUB ADVISOR

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ (W) Tel# _____ Cell: _____

CLUB OFFICERS INFORMATION

(HSG=Year of High School Graduation)

Club Chairman: _____ HSG: _____ Email _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Vice Chairman: _____ HSG: _____ Email: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Secretary: _____ HSG: _____ Email: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Treasurer: _____ HSG: _____ Email: _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Other Club Officers: *(Please list TAR Members on other side)*

Name _____ HSG _____ Email _____

Club Title: _____ Address _____ Zip _____

Name _____ HSG _____ Email _____

Club Title _____ Address _____ Zip _____

DOES YOUR CLUB HAVE A WEBPAGE?: Y/N http:// _____

TEEN-AGE REPUBLICANS
CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

PREAMBLE

We the Teen-Age Republicans of the state of Arizona, in order to develop in young men and women a sense of political awareness and to encourage the future of a stronger Republican Party, shall through the Teen-Age Republican Club of _____, _____, Arizona, enable Republican youth to speak out in politics and to develop the leadership skills necessary in the political field.

Article I: Name

Section I: The name of the organization shall be the _____ Teen-Age Republican Club (TARS), hereafter referred to as the Club.

Section II: Any member or group without consent shall not use the name of the Club.

Article II: Purpose

Section I: The general purpose of the Club is to learn, promote, and to advance the principles of the Republican Party in _____, the county of _____, state of Arizona, and in the United States; to aid and cooperate with regularly established precinct, county, state, and national organizations of the Republican Party; to promote government that upholds the Constitution and instills a sense of individual obligation to the Club members' school, community, state, and nation.

Article III: Membership

Section I: The membership of the Club shall be unlimited in number and include young men and women who pledge their time and effort to support the general purpose of the Club.

Section II: Members shall be current students of _____ who have paid annual dues, and who, therefore, have voting privileges at Club meetings.

Section III: Members who miss more than three consecutive meetings shall be placed on an "Inactive List". Members on the inactive list, providing that all dues have been paid and all necessary club services have been completed, can return to "active" status only after approval by the Membership Committee chairman.

Article IV: Officers and Elections

Section I: An elected officer of the Club shall have been an active member for one calendar school year prior to the election

Section II: The elected officers shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, Reporter, and Treasurer. Each shall be voted on, one at a time, as previously listed.

Section III: The officers named in this article shall hold office for a term of one school calendar year to be elected at the last general membership meeting of the Club before the Club's annual year-end banquet.

Section IV: Members seeking an Officer Position must:

- i. Submit a candidate application
- ii. Pass a written test with a 75% or higher score on TARS Information
- iii. Be interviewed by a "Nominating Committee".

Section V: Nominating Committee Shall:

- i. Be comprised of a panel of advisers, alumni, and other prominent Republicans in the Community.
- ii. Shall not be of familial relation to any applicant for office with the exception of the club's adviser.
 - a. In the event the club's adviser is related to an applicant for office, he/she will recuse themselves from comment and discussion on the performance of that applicant in the interview portion of the nomination process.
- iii. The Nominating Committee shall nominate a minimum of two eligible and qualified person's for each office, ranked in order of their scores and performance through the testing and interview process.
- iv. After the Nominating Committee has made their recommendations, they will refer their nominations to the General Membership for a vote.

Section VI: Voting Procedure

All voting is to be conducted by secret ballot. A majority of 50% plus 1 shall determine the winner. If there is no winner determined by the first round, the top two (2) vote earners shall enter a run-off vote.

Section VII: The Club advisor and if necessary an appointed volunteer or alumnus with no stake in the election shall count the ballots and keep the results unannounced until it is made at the Year End banquet.

Section VIII: Each candidate shall be given no more than five minutes for campaign speeches before the Members of the General meeting preceding the vote.

Article V: Officers' Duties

Section I: The Chairman shall:

- i. Serve as an ex-officio non-voting member at all meetings.
- ii. Preside at all weekly Executive and Club meetings
- iii. Initiate the development of Club policies
- iv. Appoint special committee chairman when deemed necessary with a majority approval of the voting membership body present.
- v. Attend all meetings of the State Executive Board as a voting member.
- vi. Serve as Club representative at the Inter-school Club Council (ICC)
- vii. Serve as the Club's official spokesman.

Section II: The Vice Chairman shall:

- i. Assist the Chairman in his duties.
- ii. Serve as Chairman in his absence.

- iii. Monitor the reports of committee chairmen.
- iv. Serve as liaison to the executive board from all committees.

Section III: The Secretary shall:

- i. Record minutes of all membership and Executive board meetings
- ii. Maintain all files and records of the Club.
- iii. Create meeting agendas with the guidance of the President and distribute it at each meeting.

Section IV: The Reporter shall:

- i. Be responsible for all correspondence of the Club.
- ii. Maintain the monthly calendar of events.
- iv. Handle all press releases and requests for information.
- v. Document and record the club's activities and maintain an accurate account of its history.

Section V: The Treasurer shall:

- i. Collect and Maintain records of all membership dues paid.
- ii. Deposit money only upon authorization of the Executive Board or the Membership
- iii. Write all purchase orders
- iv. Maintain all financial records
- v. Submit a detailed financial report at each meeting of the Executive Board and at each membership meeting.
 - a. Each weekly report should include the itemized account of all earnings and expenditures
- vi. Oversee all fundraising events and activities.

Article VI: Executive Board

Section I: The executive board shall consist of the elected officers and the chairmen of the Club's Standing Committees. Each of these individuals, except the acting President, shall only have one vote at meetings of the Executive Board, even if an individual holds more than one position.

Section II: The board shall make all policy decisions as they become necessary between Membership meetings. All decisions are subject to ratification by the Membership at the next regular meeting.

Section III: The board shall call regular meetings of the Membership once a week during the school year. All regular meetings shall be held at a day, time, and place convenient to the Membership, and once set will be the same all year, unless the majority of the Membership has a conflict.

Section IV: The Club's Members and Executive Board shall not endorse any Republican candidate prior to a Republican primary election, nor do so as a group after a primary without the creation of a Political Action Committee (PAC) as per Arizona State Law.

Section V: The Executive Board shall meet once a week to make plans for the general Membership meeting.

Section VI: A quorum for a meeting of the Executive Board shall consist of a majority (50% plus 1) of duly qualified Members.

Article VII: Impeachment

Section I: If an officer is not satisfactorily performing his/her duties, a complaint may be presented in writing to the Executive Board. If 2/3^{rds} of the Executive Board vote on the complaint and find it valid, the officer will be given a two-week probationary period. If after the probationary period the officer does not correct his mistakes, the Executive Board will ask him/her to resign from the office or remove him by a 2/3^{rds} vote.

Article VIII: Amendments

Section I: This Constitution may be amended by a vote of two thirds of the entire Membership at a general meeting. An amendment must be proposed at a general membership meeting. Written notification of such proposed amendments shall be provided to the Membership at least one week prior to the consideration of such amendments.

BYLAWS

Article I: Dues

Section I: Annual dues of the Club shall be \$5.00 per school year. This amount includes a member's State dues of \$3.00 with the remaining \$2.00 being retained by the Club.

Article II: Standing Committees

Section I: The following shall be deemed Standing committees and shall have a chairman voted on by the voting body present. There shall be such other interim committees as the Club decides w/a simple majority vote.

A. Scrapbook Committee:

1. Should be Chaired by the Club Reporter if at all possible.
2. Will take pictures of club members at meetings and at club events.
3. Collects material for the scrapbook.
4. Assembles a scrapbook for every school year.

B. Community Service Committee:

1. Plans and organizes community service projects
2. Encourages participation in community service projects.

C. Fundraising Committee:

1. Plans and organizes fundraising activities
2. Encourages participation in fundraising activities

D. Membership Committee:

1. Recruits members.
2. Works to keep members active.
3. Records scholarship points for each "active" club member.

E. Events and Social Committee:

1. Arranges and organizes programs for special speakers
2. Plans and organizes social events.
3. Plans and organizes educational events and/or field trips.
4. Supplies and makes arrangements for refreshments at the club meetings.

H. Campaigns and Elections Committee:

1. Plans, promotes, and organizes activities to support Republican candidates for Local, State, and National elections.
2. Serves as liaison to Republican Campaigns and Candidates.

Article III: Voting Procedures

Section I: All votes on any issue shall be in person by the Member casting his vote. No proxies are permitted.

Article IV; Membership Behavior

Section I: The behavior of any Member of the Club must comply with the _____ Code of Conduct while on campus and at any Club event.

Section II: If any Member of the Club does not comply with the _____ Code of Conduct, the Executive Board will place him on a two - week probation in which time he can correct his behavior. If, after the two week probationary period, the Member does not correct his behavior the Executive Board will ask him to resign from the Club.

Adapted from the Constitution and Bylaws of the Saguaro High School TARS.