

RHS Student Club Application

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Club Requirements:

- Club Advisor (RSD Staff)
- No Fundraising allowed
- No formal constitution
- No officers
- No competitions
- No Budget

Name of Club: _____

Student(s) Requesting Approval: _____

Description of the Club and its purpose: _____

RSD Staff Advisor (must agree to advise and supervise meetings) : _____

Staff Advisor Signature: _____

Meeting Information:

Days: _____ Time: _____ Location: _____

By signing below and requesting approval, we have read and understand the conditions for starting a club listed on the back of this sheet. We also understand that this approval is only for the current school year and an application must be submitted each year this club is active.

Student Name: _____ **Student Signature:** _____

Club is _____ **Approved** _____ **Not Approved**

Admin Name: _____ **Signature:** _____

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Approval of Club is dependent upon the following conditions:

- 1) The meeting shall be voluntary and initiated by students.
- 2) The school or its staff shall not be a sponsor of the group.
- 3) The meeting shall not materially or substantially interfere with the orderly operation of the school.
- 4) Students shall be responsible for the direction, control, and conduct of the meeting. Guests must be registered and must not be regular participants.
- 5) The use of public funds for other than incidental and/or monitoring costs shall not be permitted.
- 6) The constitutional rights of all persons shall be respected.
- 7) The club must have and RSD staff member advise and supervise all meetings

How to apply for club approval: A group of students who wish to conduct a meeting on school premises must provide an official club application to the principal prior to meeting and must provide the following information:

- 1) Name of each student who is making the request
- 2) Name of the club advisor (must be an RSD staff member)
- 3) Description of the proposed meeting along with a statement of purpose
- 4) Names of any affiliations of non-students (if any) who may be invited
- 5) Statements that:
 - a) Student attendance is voluntary
 - b) Non Students shall not be conducting, directing, or controlling or regularly attending meeting or activities
 - c) The time, frequency, and proposed location of meetings.