Holy Trinity Catholic School National Junior BETA Club ByLaws

ARTICLE I: TIME AND PLACE OF MEETINGS

The time, day, and place of meetings of National Junior Beta club will be decided upon only after consultation with, and upon the approval of, the principal of Holy Trinity Catholic School.

National Junior Beta club meetings are at Holy Trinity Catholic School, after school from 3pm to 4pm. The meetings will occur every quarter of the school year.

ARTICLE II: QUORUM

A quorum of this organization shall be constituted by a majority of the membership. No action may be taken which is binding upon the membership unless a quorum is present. However, certain matters—such as a discussion of means of taking in new members, the presentation of a program, etc.—may be carried on at a regular or special meeting without a quorum being present.

ARTICLE III: STANDARDS OF MEMBERSHIP

Standards of membership in the Holy Trinity Catholic School National Junior Beta club must conform to the general features as laid down in the National Constitution, and in all cases must be approved by the principal of the school.

The grade levels from which members may be drawn are 4th and 5th grades.

All students must be performing at or above grade level in order to be eligible for membership. The academic requirements for membership in the National Junior Beta club are to maintain all “A's" in all subjects (exception for advanced level courses must maintain a 90 or above) and to have scores in the “meets or exceeds grade level” on MAP testing. All students must also exhibit exemplary morals and character.

The service requirements for membership in the National Junior Beta club are five (5) hours per school year.

The character and behavioral requirements for membership in the National Junior Beta club are to abide by all school rules, conduct themselves in a Christian manner at all times (both on and off campus), and be respectful to adults and peers at all times.

ARTICLE IV: INDUCTION OF MEMBERS

The induction of new members into this National Junior Beta club will be one of dignity appropriate to the ideals of the organization. Any pre-induction initiation activity must be submitted to and approved by the principal of Holy Trinity Catholic School. It must not be of a nature to cause physical pain or mental embarrassment to the initiate.

ARTICLE V: LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP

A member of this National Junior Beta club may be put on probation or dropped from membership for the following reasons;

- If he/she is absent without a justifiable reason from two regular consecutive meetings.
- If his/her academic record falls below all As (exception for advanced level courses must maintain a 90 or above).
- If he/she fails to attain at least five (5) service hours without a justifiable reason.
- If his/her character and behavior record has two (2) or more disciplinary actions and/or detentions in a school year.

If and when a member is put on probation, they have the opportunity to be added back on the active school roster. If and when a member is dropped from membership, a record of this action shall be relayed to the National Office of National Junior Beta immediately.

If and when a member is put on probation for one of the reasons listed above, the member will have one school quarter to make corrective action. If sufficient corrective action isn't made within the quarter, then the member will be dropped from membership, a record of this action shall be relayed to the National Office of National Junior Beta immediately.

ARTICLE VII: LOCAL DUES

National Beta is for qualifying students in grades 4-12. There is a national fee for each division:

- Elementary (grades 4-5) - $16
- Junior (grades 6-8) - $24
- Senior (grades 9-12) - $32

The local dues of this club of National Junior Beta shall be $15 per year. Local dues are used for costs to run and maintain the National Junior Beta Club at Holy Trinity Catholic School. The cost of local membership in the club will be kept at an absolute minimum, so that no worthy student is unable to become a member for financial reasons.

ARTICLE VIII: AMENDING THE BYLAWS

The bylaws of this National Junior Beta club may be amended by a majority vote of the membership, provided such proposed amendment is placed before the club at a previous meeting.

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