



Merit Club Policies and Procedures

- All clubs must be approved by the School Director before being implemented.
- All club members must be between 12 and 18 years old and enrolled at Merit to be a part of the program.
- All clubs must meet these requirements:
 - Have student interest. Staff or volunteer in charge of a club must be able to prove that students have shown interest in having this club: petition, survey, etc.
 - Be open to the whole school. No prerequisites are allowed for clubs.
 - There must be something for every member to do. No child may be sitting on the side lines and not participating because they aren't "qualified" to do the club.
 - Have an educational component to it and clearly support Utah State standards and curriculum.
 - Clubs should develop Ameritus values and habits of scholarship.
 - Clubs are not based on individual identity.
 - Staff or volunteer in charge must be able to prove that there is an educational purpose to the club
 - Staff or volunteers are in charge of overseeing recruitment for their clubs.
- Any decisions or changes made to the club must be cleared by the Director.
 - Advanced notice must be given if a club is going to be cancelled, end early, or moved to a different day.
 - Staff or volunteers must get activities that are not usually a part of their club approved by the Director or Assistant Director
 - If in doubt, just run it by the Director to be safe.
- All materials and information in clubs must be age appropriate and meet school standards. Any material that is questionable must go through the Director or Assistant Director first.
 - Permission slips may be required for certain activities including movies. Please give advance notice to allow time for that.
- Director reserves the right to discontinue a club if it seems resources and time are not productive or in alignment with this policy and the school's mission and vision.
 - Scheduled or unannounced observations will be conducted by the Director or Assistant Director.

Staff or Volunteers:

- Must be employees, if not an employee then they must have a background check and be interviewed by the Director before beginning work.

*If you are interested in starting a club at Merit please submit your request to Mr. Dalton;
jacob.dalton@meritacademy.org. Your written proposal should meet the above requirements.

Merit Preparatory Academy

Club Application

Type of Club / Name: _____

Club Description: _____

Supervising Teacher / Volunteer Name: _____

Anticipated meeting day(s): _____

Meeting locations: _____

Educational component: _____

Materials to use: _____

Office use only

Volunteers: _____ Approved? _____

Club approval: _____ Date: _____