



Merit Club Policies and Procedures

- All clubs must be approved by the Director of Students before being implemented.
- All clubs must have a purpose statement that outlines the intent and purpose of the club and the procedures it will follow to fulfill its purpose.
- All club members must be 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.
 - Have an educational component to it and clearly support Utah State standards and curriculum.
 - Clubs should develop Ameritus values and habits of scholarship.
 - Clubs should foster unity and encourage participation of all students
 - 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 of Students.
 - Advanced notice must be given if a club is going to be canceled, 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 of Students.
 - If in doubt, just run it by the Director of Students 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 of Students first.
 - Permission slips may be required for certain activities including movies. Please give advance notice to allow time for that.
 - Parents or legal guardians must sign a permission slip for any and all participation in clubs on campus.
- The Director of Students 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 of Students.

Staff or Volunteers:

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

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

Board Approved: 11/15/22

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: _____