

Sample TDP Club Constitution

ARTICLE I – Name

Section 1 – The name of this club or organization shall be The Disinformation Project of XXXX High School.

ARTICLE II – Objectives and Activities

Section 1 – General objectives of this club shall be:

- a. To bring awareness to how disinformation, mostly through social media, drives division, erodes public faith in institutions, fosters civic discord, and damages mental health, through manipulation with lies, fear, and emotion.
- b. To teach the importance of applying critical thinking skills while consuming information.
- c. To develop and implement strategies for young adults to recognize and protect themselves from the consequences of domestic and foreign state-sponsored disinformation campaigns.
- d. To provide a forum for informed high school students to share their experiences with disinformation and its negative mental health impacts.

Section 2 – The activities of the club shall be in accord with its objectives. General activities shall include the following:

- a. Monthly meetings
- b. Special events to include guest speakers and informative messaging campaigns

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ARTICLE III – Officers

Section 1 - This organization shall have a president, vice president, secretary, and a treasurer.

a. The president shall preside at all meetings and direct the activities of the organization.

b. The vice-president shall assist the president and assume his/her duties in his/her absence.

c. The secretary shall keep (maintain) the minutes of all meetings, correspondence for the organization, and keep all records of the organization, including a roster of members.

d. The treasurer shall collect and disperse all funds of the organization and shall keep written accounts thereof, and shall maintain a list of the physical assets, if any, of the organization.

e. The election of officers shall be by a majority vote of the members. The president shall be elected first, followed by the vice-president the secretary, and the treasurer, in that order. The election, if possible, shall be held for the forthcoming year at the last meeting of the preceding year.

f. An officer can be impeached (tried) for cause, upon a written request signed by ten (10) members or one-third of the members, whichever is fewer. The president shall preside at any impeachment, unless he/she is impeached, in which case the vice-president will preside. It shall take a two-thirds vote at a regular meeting to remove an officer.

g. If the president resigns or is removed, the vice-president will become the president and a new vice-president will be elected.

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Section 2 - Faculty Advisor

- a. The members shall select a faculty advisor to be approved by the principal.
- b. The faculty advisor shall interpret the school rules and regulations to the organization and shall be the principal's representative to the organization.
- c. The faculty advisor shall have veto power over actions of the organization. If the officers of the organization disagree with the veto, they can appeal in writing to the Assistant Principal for instruction furnishing a copy of the appeal to the faculty advisor.

Section 3 – Each officer shall serve for one year and may be re-elected.

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ARTICLE IV – Elections

Section 1 – Officers shall be elected each spring at a regular meeting with due announcement of 15 days given.

ARTICLE V - Meetings

Section 1 – The club shall hold at least one meeting a month at such time and place as shall be determined by the club officers and sponsor.

Section 2 - Meetings shall be conducted according to Robert's Rule of Order.

ARTICLE VI – Ratification and Amendments

Section 1 – This constitution must be ratified by 2/3 or the club membership present at a duly announced meeting.

Section 2 – Amendments may be made to this constitution with a 2/3 vote of the club membership present at a duly announced meeting.

ARTICLE VII – Membership

Section 1 - Membership is open to all students in any grade level.