

TECHNOLOGY STUDENT ASSOCIATION
KENTUCKY STATE CHAPTER

CONSTITUTION
(Adopted 4/3/92)

ARTICLE I - NAME

Section 1. The official name of this organization shall be the "Kentucky State Chapter of the Technology Student Association" and may be referred to as "KTSA".

ARTICLE II - PURPOSES

Section 1. The general purposes of this organization are:

1. To assist local chapters in the growth and development of TSA.
2. To assist local chapters in the development of leadership and citizenship in social, economic, scholastic and civic activities.
3. To increase the knowledge and understanding of our technological society and the needs of industry.
4. To assist technology education students in the making of informed and meaningful occupational choices.

Section 2. The specific purposes of this organization are:

1. To develop, through group action, the ability of members to plan together, organize and carry out worthy activities and projects.
2. To explore technology and technological civilization.
3. To promote high standards of quality, scholarship and safety.
4. To provide good leisure-time and recreational activities and hobbies.
5. To encourage students in creative expression.
6. To develop consumer knowledge in students.
7. To instill desirable habits and attitudes toward the American way of life in students and foster a deep respect for the dignity of work.
8. To provide occupational information and instruction pertaining to a broad range of occupations, including training requisites, working conditions, salaries or wages, and other relevant information.
9. To provide exploratory experiences in classrooms, laboratories, and observations in business or industry to acquaint students with jobs in the occupations.
10. To assist in providing guidance and counseling for students enrolled in technology education programs in making informed and meaningful choices related to their future.
11. To prepare individuals for enrollment in advanced or highly skilled vocational and technical programs.
12. To expose students to the responsibility of representing a large membership.
13. To provide individual students with opportunities to develop self-esteem and confidence in their personal abilities.

ARTICLE III - ORGANIZATION

Section 1. The Kentucky Technology Student Association is an organization of local chapters, each operating in accordance with a charter granted by TSA, Inc.

Section 2. The Kentucky Technology Student Association will be responsible for all operational activities above the level of the local chapter and will be overseen and advised by the state advisor and an appointed representative of the state department of education (state director).

Section 3. The KTSA State Advisor will assist the State Director and State Officers under the direction of the Executive Committee.

Section 4. The administration of KTSA interests will be vested in the Executive Committee for the state chapter.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Membership in KTSA shall be through chartered local chapters. Each chapter will consist of individual members as described in the Bylaws.

Section 2. A local chapter may become a member of KTSA upon meeting requirements for a chapter as defined by the national association.

ARTICLE V - VOTING

Section 1. Member chapters shall exercise their voting privileges through voting delegates at the annual meeting of KTSA. Apportionment of the number of voting delegates shall be determined annually as described in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS

Section 1. A state KTSA conference will be held each year with the time and place to be designated by the state KTSA Executive Committee.

Section 2. Parliamentary procedure for all meetings of KTSA will be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised.

ARTICLE VII - STATE OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers of KTSA shall be elected by majority vote of the voting delegates present and voting at the state KTSA conference and will consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant-at-Arms, and Reporter as described in the Bylaws.

Section 2. Individuals elected as state officers at the annual meeting will hold office until the close of the next annual meeting.

ARTICLE VIII - FINANCES

Section 1. Local chapters will be responsible for national and state dues as determined by the Board of Directors of TSA, Incorporated, and the KTSA Executive Committee.

Section 2. The KTSA Executive Committee will manage KTSA finances and will furnish an annual report to each associated chapter.

ARTICLE IX - EMBLEM AND COLORS

Section 1. The emblem is a rectangular shape with three parts. The middle section is the largest section and contains the letters "TSA" in a very large, bold print. The letters are white on a blue background. Below these letters and about one third (1/3) their size is the name of the association - Technology Student Association - in white letters on a red background. The top portion of the emblem is a red rectangular shape, the same size as the bottom area. This portion contains the name "Kentucky" in white letters on a red background.

The logo is a modern futuristic symbol that represents the association's commitment to technology and its impact on the future.

Section 2. The colors of KTSA shall be scarlet (red), white, and blue.

- A. Scarlet (red) - represents the strength and determination of the Technology Education students and teachers to obtain their goal.
- B. White - represents the high standards, morals, and religious beliefs we hold.
- C. Blue (navy) - represents the sincerity of the Technology Education students and teachers in obtaining a greater knowledge of our technical world.

ARTICLE X - MOTTO AND CREED

Section 1. The motto of the Kentucky Technology Student Association will be, "Learning to Live in a Technical World."

Section 2. The creed of the Kentucky Technology Student Association will be:

"I believe that Technology Education holds an important place in my life in the technical world. I believe there is a need for the development of good attitudes concerning work, tools, materials, experimentation, and processes of industry.

"Guided by my teachers, artisans from industry, and my own initiative, I will strive to do my best in making my school, community, state, and nation better places in which to live.

"I will accept the responsibilities that are mine. I will accept the theories that are supported by proper evidence. I will explore on my own for safer, more effective methods of working and living.

"I will strive to develop a cooperative attitude and will exercise tact and respect for other individuals.

"Through the work of my hands and mind, I will express my ideas to the best of my ability.

"I will make it my goal to do better each day the task before me and to be steadfast in my belief in my God and my fellow Americans."