



## Club Request

To whom it may concern,

We would like to start a First Priority Club at our school. First Priority is a student-led club where we can develop skills, like leadership, integrity, character, teamwork, time management, event planning, organization, social skills, and public speaking through Christian principles.

Our goal is to be leaders who make a positive impact in our school and invite others to do the same. Everyone will be welcome to attend, and there is no fee. We also want to partner with other clubs and projects that make a positive difference in our school.

Our plan each month is a four-week rotation of club meetings. Each week has a different focus on how to be a leader, such as practical tools, training, group questions and activities, how to develop our story, ways to serve the school, and how to connect with others.

Thousands of schools across America have First Priority Clubs. Therefore, we will have the opportunity to get resources, develop leadership training, and connect with Student Leaders from other schools and cities across America who are making a positive difference in their schools.

We have asked a teacher to allow us to use their classroom. We have also provided our names, along with the day, time, and room where we can meet.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Student Names:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Room:

Day:

Time:

Teacher Sponsor:

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# Constitution and By-Laws

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## **Article I - Name of the Club**

The First Priority Club of \_\_\_\_\_ School.

## **Article II - Purpose of the Club**

1. To encourage friends to understand the importance of living in relationship with God, serve as a resource to help students enhance their spiritual lives, and provide an opportunity to integrate beliefs into daily living.
2. To provide members the occasion to grow in their faith and for them to develop into dynamic leaders on the campus and in the community.
3. To increase the self-esteem and moral foundation of peers, while discouraging premarital sex, substance abuse, bullying, violence, suicide, and more, so that each member will develop a greater respect for the authority placed over them and pursue a lifestyle consistent to that outlined in the Bible.

## **Article III - Qualifications of the Members**

Club membership is open to any student in this school who agrees with and is able to comply with the stated guidelines in this Constitution/By-Laws, provided there is no attempt by them to disrupt the meeting.

Membership is equated to consistent attendance and participation in the club.

## **Article IV - Student Leadership**

- Our club may or may not have individuals holding positions of office, depending on our school's requirements.
- Our team of officers/student leaders carries out the following duties, including, but not limited to: being greeters; promoting First Priority Club; being a club leader for a specific week; speaking publicly; teaching, as able; securing guest speakers; leading or co-leading small groups and skits; making announcements; and serving refreshments.
- Any candidate for leadership must be a devoted follower of Christ, avoiding disqualifying behavior that Scripture forbids (Galatians 5:19-21, 1 Corinthians 6:9-10), and setting a positive biblical example: "in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity." 1 Timothy 4:12, c.f. Galatians 5:22-25

## **Article V - Meetings**

1. Our meetings are student led, in accordance with the Equal Access Act (20 U.S.C. 4071-74), passed by Congress in 1984.
2. Our meetings occur weekly and are coordinated with our faculty sponsor.
3. Our meetings provide students the opportunity to discover and develop leadership skills they will use the rest of their lives.

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4. Our four week rotation of meetings provides students with the opportunity to grow, apply their personal faith, and enhance their relationships with friends and family.
5. Our meetings encourage students to invite their peers to be a part of an exciting club that assembles in a respectful and friendly atmosphere

***Article VI - Affiliation***

1. Our club is affiliated with First Priority, a not-for-profit ministry that resources clubs to succeed in their stated purpose.
2. First Priority connects a community volunteer to attend club meetings as an invited guest to help student leaders fulfill their assigned tasks.

***Article VII - Amendments***

Amendments to this Constitution/By-Laws may be proposed by any member. Amendments shall become effective, if approved by two-thirds of the members and faculty sponsor. This Constitution/By-Laws is agreed to by School, on the date of \_\_\_\_\_.

Submitted by the following students:

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- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.