



CONSTITUTION of Educators Rising-Ohio

ARTICLE I—NAME AND LOCATION

- Section 1: The name of the association shall be Educators Rising-Ohio; hereinafter known as the Association.
- Section 2: Headquarters for the Association shall be maintained in Columbus, Ohio.

ARTICLE II--PURPOSES

- Section 1: This Association shall organize/strengthen local chapters.
- Section 2: This Association shall strive to interest competent young men and women in education as a career.
- Section 3: This Association shall promote scholarship and academic excellence in Ohio schools.
- Section 4: This Association shall provide its members with experiences to develop the qualities and aptitudes basic to effective teaching.
- Section 5: This Association shall foster an understanding of the development and purposes of our Ohio Schools.
- Section 6: This Association shall provide information on professional career opportunities in education and the special competencies required.
- Section 7: This Association shall assist in gaining an appreciation of the contributions that schools have made to citizenship in our democratic society.
- Section 8: This Association shall provide teaching experiences which are both exploratory and developmental in nature.
- Section 9: This Association shall work with its chapters to secure broad community support for education.
- Section 10: This Association shall encourage its members to exercise their rights and privileges as citizens and to willingly accept leadership in civic affairs.
- Section 11: This Association shall adapt to ideals which will enhance progress in education.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

- Section 1: Membership shall include all chapters chartered by the Association Executive Committee state association.
- Section 2: Chartered chapters with membership fees paid for the current year are members of the state association.
- Section 3: Professional membership in the state association shall be confirmed by payment of the required fees. This fee will be set by the state Executive Committee.
- Section 4: Individual student membership in the state association shall be confirmed by payment of the required fees. This fee will be set by the state Executive Committee. Individual memberships are open to those students who do not have a local chapter they can join.

ARTICLE IV—ORGANIZATION

- Section 1: Officers of the Association shall consist of a President, a Vice President of Programs and Regional Representative, a Vice President of Membership and Recruitment, a Vice President of Competitions and Community Service, a Recording Secretary, and Public Relations Secretary.
- Section 2: The Executive Committee shall include up to two Ohio Department of Education liaisons, the six elected students officers, and no fewer than six Teacher Leaders and a treasurer. In addition, a teacher educator from an Ohio college or university on a rotation basis shall sit for a one year term. The liaison from the college or university hosting the state conference may serve in that teacher educator role. The Executive Committee may appoint additional members as necessary to fulfill its mission. Additional members may be either or both teacher leaders or students. Appointed student members shall be given the title of Ambassadors.
- Section 3: This Association shall hold an annual state conference at a time and place established by the state Executive committee.
- Section 4: The state consultants are members of the Ohio Department of Education.
- Section 5: The state Executive Committee shall be responsible for all matters related to the state association.
- Section 6: The House of Delegates (students) shall meet at the annual state conference to approve or disapprove amendments to the constitution and bylaws and to elect state officers. Membership of the House of Delegates shall be set by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE V—STATE MEETINGS

- Section 1: A state conference shall be held annually at a time and place chosen by the state Executive Committee. In order to facilitate the naming of desirable dates and locations of the state conference the Executive committee shall schedule the convention at least one year in advance.
- Section 2: The state Executive Committee shall meet at least nine times a year including the annual state and national conferences. It may be called into session by a state consultant or at the written request of two-thirds of the members of the Executive Committee with the approval of the state consultant.

ARTICLE VI—SUSPENSION

- Section 1: Any provision of this constitution may be suspended by two-thirds vote of the House of Delegates present and voting, provided the intent for suspension is stated before the vote.

ARTICLE VII—AMENDMENTS

- Section 1: Amendments to this constitution may be introduced and acted upon at any regular meeting of the Executive Committee.
- Section 2: Amendments to this constitution shall be submitted in written form by one or more properly affiliated local chapters ninety (90) days prior to the state conference.
- Section 3: The president must submit in writing to the local chapters of the state any amendment at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual state conference.
- Section 4: At the annual state conference, the House of Delegates shall vote on each proposal. To be approved, an amendment must receive a two-thirds vote of the official delegates present and voting.
- Section 5: Amendments to this constitution shall become effective at the close of the state conference where they were adopted.