

Students Demand Action

Bylaws

Article I

Name and territorial limits

Section 1: The name of this club shall be James S Rickards High School chapter of students demand action

Section 2: The territorial limits of this club shall be the territory designated as James S. Rickards High School, Leon County, Florida

Article II

Objects

Section 1: The objects of this club shall be:

- a) Promote further understanding of weapon safety and common-sense gun legislation among the student body.
- b) Create a connection between both local and state government, and the student body as an opportunity for students to be further involved in decision making and providing input, when it comes to gun control legislation.
- c) Provide an opportunity for students to attend events, such as city council meetings, Leon County advocacy day at the capital, and school board meetings.

Article III

Members

Section 1: There shall be two categories of members in Rickards SDA: Active General Members and Individuals on the officer board

Section 2: All paying members of Rickards SDA may participate in general meetings, attend all club events, and run for a position on the officer board

Section 3: Admission to membership:

- a) All students must pay their dues in order to become a member of SDA

- b) The officer board will decide on the price of Club dues and inform all interested students

Article IV

Officers

Section 1: Elected Officers on the Officer Board shall include the positions of: President, Vice Presidents of Organization, Secretary, and Historian

Section 2: All perspective officers must be paying members before running for a position

Section 3: After elected, an officer shall serve one full school year in their given position, after that they must run again the following year to regain the position

Section 4: If an officer should fail to complete their assigned duties, reflect poorly upon the club, or cause any significant issues regarding SDA, their position as an officer shall be revoked and given to another worthy candidate.

Section 5: Specific Officer Duties

a) President:

- The president shall make necessary executive decisions on behalf of the club
- They shall serve as the main liaison between Rickards SDA, and the international organizations of Students Demand Action, Moms Demand Action, and Everytown gun safety.
- The president has final executive say in all terminations of officers or vetoes unless unanimously voted against by the rest of the officer board.

b) Vice Presidents:

- The vice presidents of organization shall take the primary role in organization of events, fundraising, and meetings.
- They shall run meetings in an orderly and efficient manner, in absence of the President
- They shall share the responsibilities of the president as needed, to be determined by the President
- The Vice presidents shall take a primary role in establishing the amount and necessity of dues

c) Historian:

- The historian shall compile records of major achievements made by the club year by year
- The historian shall take the primary role in running the social media accounts for the club
- They shall design posters, and advertisements for any club events or fundraisers

- d) Secretary:
 - The secretary shall be responsible for recording minutes at each meeting, containing any important topics, dates, or upcoming events discussed
 - They shall actively promote the club, communicate with the student body, and reach out to the club members about general meetings, etc.
- e) General officer board member responsibilities:
 - Officers shall attend all general club meetings unless previously communicated with the president
 - Officers shall attend all officer meetings unless previously communicated with the president
 - Officers shall attend all club events unless previously communicated with the president

Article V

Elections

Section 1: Election Process

- a) Elections for positions on the officer board will be held at the end of each school year
- b) Any member who is interested in running for a position must notify the board of their intention of running or fill out a provided perspective officer interest form
- c) If an officer is unable to fulfill the duties of their position at any point throughout the year, a special election will be held to replace that position
- d) All students who are paying members of the club shall be able to vote in all elections
- e) All elections for officer positions will be decided by a popular vote of all due-paying members of the club

Article VI

Meetings

Section 1: Officer Board Meetings

- a) Unless otherwise ordered by the president, officer board meetings will be held once a month
- b) The date of the following officer board meeting shall be determined at the end of the prior officer board meeting

Section 2: General meetings shall occur biweekly/weekly during lunch on a day chosen by the officer board

Section 3: Special Meetings shall be offered on an as needed basis to be determined by the officer board

Article VII

Dues

Section 1: Dues

- a) There shall be a yearly membership due of most likely \$15 (this is subject to change by decision of the Vice presidents of Organization)
- b) Club dues are subject to change based on the discretion of the officer board
- c) Dues shall only be put towards payment for club shirts unless allocated to another purpose as decided by the officer board

Article VIII

Amendments

Section 1:

- a) The bylaws for Rickards SDA can be amended through unanimous vote of the officer board approved by the president.
- b) An amendment to the bylaws can be submitted to vote by the officer board during an officer board meeting or by calling a special meeting