

AMHERST ORCHESTRA BOOSTERS CONSTITUTION

Mission Statement:

The Amherst Orchestras Boosters (AOB) is an organization composed of students, parents, and business community leaders who have a vested interest in the success of the Amherst Orchestra Program (AOP). The AOP consists of the 5th grade beginning orchestra at Walter J. Nord Middle School, the 6th-8th grade program at Amherst Junior High School, and the 9th-12th grade program at Marion L. Steele High School.

The primary purpose of the AOB is to assist the Amherst orchestra directors in the development of excellence in music education, performance skills, and leadership in our students. The AOB accomplishes this by providing financial, logistical, and moral support in a balanced fashion to all of our programs.

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be "AMHERST ORCHESTRA BOOSTERS".

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization shall be:

- To provide financial and moral support for the operation of the Amherst School's Orchestra program and for the students who are enrolled in that program.
- Encourage enrollment in the orchestra programs.
- To promote the interest of parents of orchestra students in the orchestra program.
- To cooperate with and assist school officials in maintaining a high quality orchestra program.
- To campaign for, receive, and apply funds, gifts, bequests, and endowments, or the proceeds thereof, for any of the purposes herein described, and in general, to do what may be required to effect and carry forward the purposes of the organization.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall consist of any adult individual interested in supporting the Amherst Schools' Orchestra. Any parent or guardian who has a child enrolled in any Amherst School Orchestra is automatically a member of the Amherst Orchestra Boosters.

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

- The officers of this organization shall be:
 - President
 - Vice-President

- Secretary
- Treasurer

- The executive board shall consist of the above listed officers and all current orchestra directors.

ARTICLE V - TERMS

- The executive board officers shall be elected for a one year term.
- No member shall keep the office of president for more than two (2) consecutive terms.
- All unexpired terms shall be filled by action of the executive board.

ARTICLE VI - MEETINGS

- The organization shall meet on the second Monday of each month with no meeting held during the month of December. If considered necessary, a regular monthly meeting date may be changed by a simple majority vote of the board.
- A quorum for organizational meetings shall consist of three (3) voting members.
- Executive board meetings shall be held prior to each regular meeting and as necessary to conduct urgent or special business.
- A quorum for Executive board meetings shall consist of three (3) members of the executive board.

ARTICLE VII - ANNUAL MEETING

- The organization shall conduct an annual meeting on the second Wednesday of April.
- Officers and the Board of Trustees shall be elected at the annual meeting.
- Constitution and Bylaws shall be reviewed and revised bi-annually (even numbered years) at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS

- The constitution may be amended at any meeting provided that notice of such amendment has been given at the previous meeting.
- An amendment shall become part of the constitution if passed by majority of the members present at the regular meeting.