

TSA STUDENT AND PARENT INFORMATION SHEET



Dear Students and Parents,

The Technology Student Association (TSA) will be a semester class AND club next year. The class is only open for rising 7th and 8th graders. The club is open to all 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. TSA students are required to work hard and challenge themselves in many different competition categories.

According to the TSA national website, "The Technology Student Association (TSA) is a national, non-profit career and technical student organization (CTSO) of middle and high school students who are engaged in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Since TSA was chartered in 1978, almost 4,000,000 student members have participated through competitions, intracurricular activities, leadership opportunities, community service, and more."

Students interested in joining TSA, must meet these requirements:

- ✓ \$30 club fee (includes state and national affiliation dues and club t-shirt)
- ✓ Excellent behavior during club meetings.
- ✓ Excellent work ethic.
- ✓ Dedication to putting in the time during meetings to complete competitions.

TSA events throughout the year (we will put specific dates out when the new school year begins):

- Club meetings: Wednesdays 3:05-4:30 p.m. (beginning in October)
- Officer elections: October 2020
- Club fee due: November 2020
- Parent Meeting: December 2020
- County Competition: TBD
- State Competition: TBD in Birmingham, AL
- Fundraising throughout the year to assist with travel and entry expenses for student projects

SFMS TSA website: <https://www.bcbe.org/domain/3652>

Alabama TSA website: <https://alabamatsa.rocks/>

National TSA website: <http://tsaweb.org/>

TSA students are not required to attend the county competition. If a student does enter the county competition, they may only enter one competition. For students attending the state competition, they may enter in a maximum of four competitions. If you have any questions or comments about TSA participation, please contact one of the TSA sponsors below:

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SFMS TSA APPLICATION

What is TSA? TSA stands for Technology Student Association. TSA is a national student organization created to develop skills in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics as well as business education. TSA aims to develop leadership, academic, and business management skills in the workplace among students and leaders within the community.

Who can join the team? The club is open to all 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students, however, the class is only available to rising 7th and 8th graders. By filling out this application and choosing this elective, you must commit to all club activities – including after school club meetings (Wednesday's from 3:05 – 4:30) and competitions (county and state – in Birmingham).

How do I join? Fill out the information below. You must get two teacher recommendations.

This page of the application is due to Ms. Samry in the room 24 by the end of the day on Thursday, March 5th. Late applications will not be accepted! The other pages must be given to recommending teachers by Thursday, March 5th. The teachers will then give the form to Ms. Samry. Please be sure to look over the SFMS TSA webpage the letter given with this application.

Name _____ Homeroom Teacher _____

Why do you want to join TSA? _____

Where you in TSA last year? (Circle one) YES NO

How would you rank your academics?

_____ Excellent _____ Good _____ Average /Fair _____ Struggling

How would you rank your behavior/reputation?

_____ Excellent _____ Good _____ Average /Fair _____ Struggling

TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM: *Students, please fill out the top section below and give to any teacher you would want to write a recommendation for you. The teacher will give it to Ms. Samry.*

Student's Name _____

Name of teacher writing recommendation: _____

On a scale of 1 (lowest) to 5 (highest), please rate the student on the following qualities:

Responsible/reliable 1 2 3 4 5

Hard-working 1 2 3 4 5

Completes tasks on time 1 2 3 4 5

Cooperative 1 2 3 4 5

Do you think this student would be an asset to our TSA Chapter?

Teacher Signature _____

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