

## **Instruction**

### **STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS AND EQUAL ACCESS**

#### **United Student Association of Visalia (USAV), Organization of**

Pursuant to the provisions of applicable Section of the Education Code and Board Policy, the formation and operation of the student organization to be known as the United Student Association of Visalia (USAV) shall be approved upon the adoption by each high school Student Council for implementation commencing immediately thereafter.

The following Constitution shall govern all activities of the United Student Association of Visalia which shall have purposes supportive of and consistent with the educational programs adopted by the Board of Education. Adoption of supportive bylaws shall be the first order of business of the Executive Board of Officers.

#### **Statement of Purposes and Supervision**

##### **Preamble**

The secondary students of the Visalia Unified School District, in order to form an organization dedicated to improvement of the educational purposes, a better means of creating district-wide student unity and a better means of representing student views to the Board of Education, do hereby establish with the support and approval of each high school Student Council, the United Student Association of Visalia.

##### **Supervision**

The advisor to the United Student Association of Visalia shall be a District Administrator recommended by the Superintendent and approved by the Board of Education.

#### **Statement of Membership and Organizational Leadership**

##### **General Membership**

The United Student Association of Visalia shall be an organization comprised of five (5) students representing each high school operated by the Board of Education.

##### **Executive Board of Officers**

The Executive Board of Officers of the United Student Association of Visalia shall consist of the elected class presidents/ (Senior, Junior, Sophomore, Freshman) or designee from each high school, and the elected Associated Student Body presidents of each high school. The Student Board of Education Representative shall serve as President of the USAV for a term of one year.

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Members of the Executive Board of Officers shall possess one (1) vote per school.

The Executive Board of Officers of the United Student Association of Visalia shall meet at least five times during the school year, starting in September and ending in May.

1. Meetings will be held in the District Office Board Room, unless otherwise indicated, to ensure impartiality.
2. Meetings will be held at a time determined by its members.
3. The Executive Board of Officers, serving as representatives from each school, will present student viewpoints on issues being discussed and considered, after consulting with their respective groups, i.e. student council, senior class, etc.
4. The representatives will vote on issues in a manner which will reflect the ideas of the majority of the students in the group being represented.

**Statement of Financial Structure**

1. The Executive Board of Officers shall reserve the right to receive donations (clothes, food, gas, etc.) for the purposes of supporting district-wide drives or projects in support of student needs.
2. All funds in the treasury of the United Student Association of Visalia shall be deposited in a separate account under the supervision of a district designee.
3. Expenditure of funds in the treasury of the United Student Association of Visalia shall be authorized only upon the unanimous vote of the Executive Board of Officers and upon approval of the USAV Advisor.

*(cf. 9150 - Board Representatives)*

Ref: E.C. Sections 48930-48937

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**Statement of Purpose**

The USAV is an organization dedicated to improvement of the educational purposes, provide a better means of creating district-wide student unity and a better means of representing student views to the Board of Education.

**General Membership**

The United Student Association of Visalia shall be an organization comprised of students representing their high school operated by the Board of Education.

**Executive Board of Officers**

The Executive Board of Officers of the United Students Association of Visalia shall consist of the elected class presidents/ (Senior, Junior, Sophomore, Freshman) or designee from each high school, and the elected associated student body President of each high school . The student representative to the Board of Education shall serve as President for a term of one year.

1. Each school will have one (1) vote.

The executive Board of Officers of the United Students Association of Visalia shall meet a minimum of five (5) times during the school year, starting in September and ending in May.

1. Meetings will be held at the Visalia Unified School District Office, unless otherwise indicated, to ensure impartiality.
2. Meetings will be held at a time determined by its members.
3. The Executive Board of Officers, serving as representatives from each school, will present student viewpoints on issues being discussed and considered, after consulting with their respective groups, (i.e. student council, senior class, etc.).
4. Each representative will vote on issues with their fellow students' best interest in mind.

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**Statement of Financial Structure**

1. The Executive Board of Officers shall reserve the right to receive donations for the purpose of supporting district-wide drives or projects in support of student needs.

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