STUDENT ORGANIZATION MANUAL

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO RUN A SUCCESSFUL STUDENT ORGANIZATION



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Section I: Student Life Student Organization Manual

This manual serves as a resource for the members, officers, and advisors of Recognized Student Organizations (RSOs). This manual is intended to serve as a guide to general policies and procedures that impact student organizations. All forms referenced in this book can be found in the appendices and are bolded throughout the contents of this manual.

There are many variables, which make each group and situation unique, issues may arise throughout the course of the year that are not addressed in this manual. At first, it may seem overwhelming to manage a student organization. This handbook is your guide to running a successful organization. Whether you are an organization member needing to make copies of a flier, or the president of your organization planning an executive board retreat, this handbook and Student Life are your resources. If you cannot find information or need clarification, please contact the Activities Program Manager. Parkland College reserves the right to make changes to this manual without prior notice. Please note that at times we find it necessary to update policy or procedure. If that occurs, all Registered Student Organizations will be notified.

We look forward to serving you! Please stop by Student Life to learn more about the support services, resources, materials, and student development opportunities available to your RSO.

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Student Life is part of the Parkland College Student Services Division. As such, we operate under the following mission:

Mission Statement

The Student Services Division enhances the educational mission of the College by providing a welcoming and supportive environment in which all students may study, grow, and succeed. We advance student learning and development by engaging students in meaningful activities outside of the classroom designed to promote our students' academic, social, personal, and professional growth.

We fulfill this mission by:

- Valuing Diversity
- Promoting Respect and Understanding
- Improving Persistence
- Collaborating with Colleagues
- Embracing Change, Evaluation, and Accountability
- Providing Support Services
- Engaging and Challenging Students to Become Responsible Leaders and Productive Citizens

Enriching Learning Developing Leaders Growing Communities

Bylaws and Policies

This manual is a compilation of the rules set forth by the Parkland College Policies and Procedure Manual, the Student Handbook (located in the appendix of the P & P), and all other Parkland College and Student Life rules and regulations set specifically for clubs and organizations. Some of the policies that may be of interest to student organizations include:

Policies & Procedures Manual

- 1.02.03 Civility Statement
 3.01 Prohibition of Sexual Discrimination, Harassment, and Misconduct
 3.18 Travel
 3.27 Solicitation by Non-College Personnel
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Section II: Chartering & Registration of Organizations

Recognized Student Organizations Purpose

Student Organizations are one of the best ways to build supportive communities on campus. Student Organizations are designed to afford students with experiences that have educational value for them as individuals, in their social relationships, and in the exercise of their responsibilities as citizens. These organizations are considered to be the workshop in which many classroom concepts are put into practice. Student Organizations enrich the cultural, recreational, and co-curricular dimensions of Parkland College. Student Organizations help students find a place to belong, support their academic pursuits, and provide opportunities for leadership experience and personal growth.

Benefits of Recognized Student Organizations

- Membership solicitation on campus.
- Use of College facilities and equipment as approved.
- Raising funds on campus for an identified educational purpose to benefit the organization.
- Meetings and social functions on campus.
- Use of College printing facilities, mail services, and accounting services for organization needs.
- Publicizing activities on campus.
- Participating in College events and activities.
- Opportunity to request funds from Student Programming Board in order to attend educational conferences and/or plan an educational, social, or civic campus-wide event for the student body.

Membership

Membership in a recognized student organization shall be open to all Parkland College students, faculty, and staff who meet the stated qualifications of that organization. Officers of student organizations must be currently enrolled Parkland College students (defined as 3+ credit hours). All students having an interest in such activities shall have the opportunity to participate accordingly. The college prohibits all forms of discrimination and harassment, including those that violate federal and state law, or college policy. It will not discriminate on the basis of sex/gender, race, color, age, creed, national or ethnic origin, physical or mental disability, veteran status, pregnancy status, religion, genetic information, gender identity/expression or sexual orientation in its employment practices or educational programs and activities.

Student Organization Categories

Co-Curricular: Co-curricular organizations are student organizations that are associated with Parkland academic programs and departments, honor societies, or other national organizations.

Multi-Cultural: Multi-cultural organizations are student organizations that are founded around a certain culture, identity, or belief.

Recreational: Recreational Organizations are student organizations that are based around a common interest or activity.

How to Start a Student Organization

Student Organizations (RSO's) at Parkland College must support the mission of the College and meet a need currently not being met by an existing organization. The existing student organizations are listed on the Parkland College website. You may find there is already a group on campus doing exactly what you want to do. It is often more effective to combine forces than duplicate efforts, which can create competition for human and financial resources as well as membership.

If, however, there is not an existing organization, and the organization you are proposing to start supports the mission of the College, then we encourage you to follow the steps below.

In order to start a new organization:

- Pick up an Application for Recognition and Renewal from Student Life.
- Select an Advisor(s) for your organization. They must be a currently employed staff or faculty member (part-time or full-time) of Parkland College.
- Find a minimum of 6 students who are interested in joining the organization.
- Draft a constitution. There is a **Sample Constitution** in the appendix of this manual.
- Turn in your completed **Application for Recognition and Renewal** to the Activities Program Manager.
- The Student Government Association and the Dean of Students will review the **Application for Recognition and Renewal** and determine if your organization will become officially recognized. You will be notified regarding your proposed RSO's approval.
- Once your RSO is approved, then you should proceed to the next step.
- Meet with the Activities Program Manager and your Advisor to discuss policies and best practices for RSOs. You will receive a copy of Student Life Manual, your RSO budget line, and other forms necessary to effectively organize an RSO.
- Hold an organizational meeting to approve the constitution and formally elect officers.

At first, the process to form a new student organization may seem overwhelming, but our office is here as a resource to help you. If you need assistance with any of these steps, contact the Activities Program Manager.

Maintaining a Charter

For an organization to maintain its charter, the group must:

- Submit the **Planning Document** and updated **Application for Recognition and Renewal form** at the beginning of each academic year.
- If your constitution has not been reviewed/updated in more than three years, your organization will need to submit an updated copy which includes the date reviewed and any updates needed. Failure to return these forms by the specified date may result in the organization being blocked from continuing organization business.
- Submit the required **Results Form** including a proposed organization budget, co-curricular assessment, and year-end report by the date specified.

For an organization to remain active and in good standing the organization must:

- Have a President and Treasurer, who attend treasurer training annually. If there is a change of officers during an academic year, this training needs to be completed by the new officers.
- Have Parkland College Faculty or Staff advisor who attends the annual Student Life advisor training.
- Submit a completed **Planning Document** and updated **Application for Recognition and Renewal** once per academic year.
- Meet with the Activities Program Manager once per semester.
- Submit a completed **Results Form** at the end of every academic.

Revocation of Charter/Re-Chartering

A group's charter may be revoked for any of the following reasons:

- Inactive for two years .
- Violations of Parkland College policies, state, national, or local law.
- Non-compliance with any and all rules set forth in this manual.
- Disciplinary action; student organizations are subject to disciplinary actions as explained in the Student Code of Conduct.
- Noncompliance with organization registration procedures and constitution requirements.
- Falsification of any registration information.
- Misuse of funds, overextension of organization funds, or misuse of requested funds re ceived from Student Life.

When a student organization fails to meet the expectations set forth in this manual, they may be in jeopardy of losing their charter. When this occurs, Student Life will work with the organization's student leadership and Parkland College advisor to develop a plan intended to help the organization meet their obligations to remain in active standing.

When an organization fails to meet its obligation:

- The organization's advisor and leadership will be notified of errors.
- Student Life will work with the advisor and organization leadership to develop a plan to correct issues.
- Subsequent errors may lead to penalty up to and including probation or revocation of charter.

Final decision to revoke a student organization charter will be made by the Director of Student Life, Dean of Students and VP of Student Services.

If an organization charter has been revoked, the group must first correct behavior or actions that resulted in the loss of charter and then reapply for charter following all procedures and regulations outlined in this manual . If a charter is revoked, organizational funds will no longer be available.

Role of the Official Student Organization Advisor

Student organizations are required per Parkland College policy 8.17.01 to have an approved advisor, either a full-time or part-time faculty or staff member of Parkland College who provides support and guidance to officers and members. The primary function of this role is to actively advise, counsel, and serve as a resource person and assist the students in achieving a degree of mature thinking and considered action that will strengthen the organization and help it to fulfill its objectives.

The advisor serves as a representative of the group in an official capacity and as a student advocate. An advisor is one who gives ideas, shares insight, provides a different perspective, and encourages organization members.

Student Life serves as a resource for any questions, concerns, or comments that you as a student organization advisor may have regarding your organization. We are happy to assist you in your role as an advisor.

Advising a student organization can be a very rewarding experience. Working with students outside of the classroom allows faculty and staff to share information and resources and encourage leadership and skills development. These attributes are invaluable to students when they leave Parkland College.

Responsibility to the Student Organization

Every student organization is required to have a full-time or part-time faculty or staff member of Parkland College serving as an advisor. Locating and asking a faculty or academic staff person to be an advisor is the responsibility of the organization. Student Organizations are encouraged to seek out more than one advisor when possible. This allows more flexibility to the organization and eases the additional time commitments on an individual who wishes to support students through an advising role.

The scope of an organization's activities, the effectiveness of its officers, the time commitments of the advisor and several other factors determine the nature of an advisor's involvement with the organization. Organizations should recognize the value of having a good advisor and use that advisor as a resource person. In short, a good advisor plays an essential role in an organization's success.

An advisor's function is fourfold:

- To be a consultant and to help with the organization's growth and development.
- To provide continuity to the organization.
- To act as an authorized and responsible agent of the organization.
- To ensure compliance with all College policies and procedures.

Per the college policy: The Parkland College employee who serves as the club or organization advisor shall be present whenever the organization does the following :

- a. Conducts an election of officers.
- b. Conducts a meeting at which a guest of the College will speak.
- c. Conducts any activity which is considered an official organizational function. Functions are considered official when organization or College funds are used in any way sponsoring the event; when the activity is planned as a scheduled meeting either on or off campus; or when the activity is held under the name of the organization, and all members are extended either a written or an oral invitation.

Choose your advisor well. Discuss with your organization and with your advisor what you want the advisor's role to be. Take into consideration the advisor has to maintain a liaison role between the organization and Parkland College. An advisor is a consultant and should be a stabilizing source when you need help. It is the advisor's duty to ensure officers are aware of the policies and regulations established for RSOs. Both the advisor and the organization should understand the advisor is there to help the organization, and the advisor is chosen and retained at the organization's discretion. Organizations should realize an advisor has the right to resign. The key role of the advisor is to serve as a resource for the organization. Therefore, it is important to spend time establishing expectations of both parties to develop the best collaborative and supportive relationship.

Students can expect their advisor to:

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- Assist the group in developing realistic goals and strategic plans for the academic year. This will contribute to the education and personal development of the students involved. The advisor must take an active role, rendering advice and counsel as circumstances dictate.
- Act as a liaison to other Parkland student organizations, departments, and programs. The Advisor is key in helping students collaborate with other groups, broaden networks, and share resources.
- Be aware of all plans and activities of the group and inform the group of institutional policies that may affect these plans. The advisor should see that the group and its officers know where policies are listed, what the policies are, why they exist, and the channels to be followed for changes, revisions, or exceptions to policies. Advisors should also participate in the planning/review of each activity.
- **Be available to organization officers/members and regularly meet with the organization.** Being visible is one key aspect of being an advisor. When members feel like they can talk to their advisor about issues within the organization or other things that are bothering them, an organization will be better off.
- Encourage less involved students to take initiative. Eager leaders often provide strong leadership more often than necessary. This can lead to resentment by some or pressure others into silencing themselves. The advisor can help provide a balance by pointing out such concerns in a one-on-one setting with the students or the organization leadership.
- **Provide continuity** within the group and be familiar with the group's history and constitution. Membership turnover in student organizations is high and often the only link with the immediate past is the advisor. Serving as the group's memory and continuity link, the advisor can help new officers build on history and develop long-term plans for the future of the organization.
- **Offer ideas for projects and events.** The advisor will perform his/her greatest service by providing opportunities for the students to exercise initiative and judgment and to enjoy a proper measure of autonomy in self-directed social, educational, recreational, and cultural activities. Advisors should not dominate the program planning process. However, advisors should ensure that the group understands a program's complexity and has discussed the necessary steps in order for the program to be successful. The advisor should remember that it is the task of the active members to operate the organization.
- Assist the group in evaluation. This includes evaluating individual programs as well as doing a complete evaluation at the end of the academic year. The advisor must be willing to give constructive criticism when necessary and offer words of praise for work well done.

- **Sign documentation** that requires an advisor's approval, such as requisitions.
- **Must be present at scheduled meetings and official social functions** of the organization from the beginning to the conclusion.
- Assist the treasurer in formulating an annual budget and in maintaining accurate accounting procedures.

Responsibilities of the Organization to the Advisor

The organization has some definite responsibilities to its advisor. The following are guidelines to assist in building a healthy organization/advisor relationship:

- Meet with your advisor at least one day before your meeting to go over the agenda and topics to be discussed at the meeting.
- Plan meetings and special functions at a time the Advisor is able to attend.
- Keep the advisor posted on the progress of the organization.
- Your advisor is your primary source of support from the college. The better informed they are about all aspects of the organization, the more effective they will be in supporting your efforts.

Advisors can expect student members to:

- Inform and update them regularly of organizational issues and accomplishments.
- Provide them with meeting minutes.
- Provide them with event information (date, time, and location) and changes.
- Have open and honest communication.
- Have mutual respect.
- Be committed to the organization.
- Establish written goals and objectives for the semester.
- Maintain accurate record keeping.
- Be present at all programs and meetings.
- Be committed to a smooth officer transition between each semester and each year.
- Thank them for a job well done. Advisors should be shown appreciation and respect for the work they do on behalf of the group.

In most instances, advisors are graciously volunteering their time to serve the organization and promote student development. It is important to spend time establishing expectations of both parties to develop the best collaborative and supportive relationship.

Organizations can recognize their advisor by nominating them for the Advisor of the Year award, given annually during the Student Life Banquet. During the spring semester, organizations can obtain an Awards Nomination Form from Student Life.

Responsibility to the Individual Group Members

• Help the students find balance between their academics and their co-curricular activities. Student leaders often have the tendency to take on many responsibilities and can overextend themselves. The advisor has a unique opportunity to remind students of their academic obligations and personal needs.

- Encourage each individual to participate in and plan group events. Some students fade into the background if not effectively encouraged. Being a member of a student group can provide students with valuable interpersonal and/or leadership skills, but these will not develop if the student is not involved.
- Encourage students to accept responsibility for specific roles within the group. The advisor should help them realize the importance of these roles. From officer positions to committee members, each student should feel invested in and accountable for their specific role.
- Nominate students for the either the Officer of the Year or Member of the Year Award. These awards are an exemplary way to recognize the hard work, commitment, and success of students.

Responsibility to Parkland College

- Act as Parkland College's representative to the Student Organization. The Advisor must be active and involved in the student organization to ensure it follows Parkland College policies and local, state, and federal law. The Advisor must be present when the student organization elects officers, hosts a guest of the College, and conducts any official function including meetings, social events, and travel.
- Attend Parkland College's Student Life sponsored training activities. Although some advisors have been an advisor before, it's important that advisors attend all training sessions created for them. New things happen in Student Life, and we want to keep advisors as up to date as possible.
- Work with the group, but not direct its activities. Although the advisor's role is not regulatory or disciplinary, the advisor has a responsibility to both the institution and the organization to keep their best interests in mind. At times, the advisor may need to remind the organization of institutional policies. The advisor may also work with the organization's officers to establish and maintain internal group standards and regulations.
- Serve as a point of contact between a student organization and Student Life. An Advisor needs to remain in communication with Student Life to ensure that student organizations are fully informed of upcoming events, deadlines, and requirements.
- Help during an emergency. Although this type of intervention is rarely necessary, the advisor's good judgment can be the saving grace in the event of mishaps, internal conflict, or personal crisis. Assisting the organization's President as a spokesperson or serving as the main contact for the College can help in these cases.

Advising Tips

The following is adapted from University of South Florida's Advisor Handbook.

Every student organization will differ and may require a different approach by the advisor. The following information can serve as a starting point.

- 1. In the beginning of the advising relationship, agree on clear expectations about the role of the advisor and the role of the student organization. Discuss philosophies and reach a consensus.
- 2. Read the constitution of the group, get to know the members, attend events, and generally make yourself seen so that they know who you are.
- 3. Assist in the establishment of responsibilities for each officer and member.

- 4. Develop a strong relationship with the president or chairperson and other officers. This is key because these students will be your main contact with the group.
- 5. Remember: praise in public, criticize in private. Discuss concerns with an officer's performance in a one-on-one setting. Whenever someone does something extremely well, be sure to let others know.
- 6. Maintain a sense of humor
- 7. Be honest and open with all communication. The students need to feel that you are just in our dealings with them.
- 8. Realize that you have the power of persuasion, but use this judiciously. The students ometimes need to learn how to fail.
- 9. Help them see alternatives and provide an outside perspective.
- 10. Find a balance between being the strict naysayer and the laissez-faire friend. The students ust feel that you are supportive of them and yet that you will hold them accountable.

Advising Expectations

Given the myriad of purposes, activities, and objectives of various student groups, the role of the advisor will vary in some degree between groups. As groups vary in their expectations and needs, it is important that you, as an advisor, develop an understanding with the organization you are to represent as to the nature of your involvement. The advisor and the group should agree on a set of expectations of one another from the onset.

Some Initial Questions You May Want to Ask the Organization:

- 1. How much involvement is expected or needed?
- 2. How often does the group meet?
- 3. How many major activities does the group plan per semester?
- 4. How experienced are the student leaders?
- 5. How do your skills match the needs of the organization?
- 6. What are some of the problem areas that your organization specifically needs advisory assistance in dealing with? Ask for past examples.
- 7. What are some of the ways the advisor can be more helpful to the group?
- 8. Will the advisor be a silent observer at meetings or an active participant?
- 9. Should you interrupt during meetings if you think the group is getting off track? How? When?
- 10. If things get unruly, should you interrupt or remain silent?
- 11. Is the advisor expected to give feedback? How? When?
- 12. Are there areas of the organization that are "hands off" to the advisor?
- 13. Does the national organization (if applicable) require an affiliated advisor? If so, what is their role?

Officer Transition

One of the most important functions of an advisor is to assist in the transition from one set of organization officers to the next. As the stability of the organization, the advisor has seen changes, knows what works and can help maintain continuity. Investing time in a good officer transition early on will mean less time spent throughout the year nursing new officers through the semester.

The key to a successful transition is making sure new officers know their jobs BEFORE they take office. Expectations should be clearly defined. There are a number of ways to conduct the officer transition. The following examples demonstrate two commonly used methods.

The Team Effort

The team effort involves the outgoing-officer board, the advisor, and the incoming officer board. This method involves a retreat or series of meetings where outgoing officers work with incoming officers on:

- Past records/notebooks for their office and updating those together.
- Discussion topics should include:
 - Completed projects for the past year
 - Upcoming/incomplete projects
 - Challenges and setbacks
- Anything the new officers need to know to do their job effectively

The advisor's role may be to:

- Facilitate discussion and be a sounding board for ideas.
- Organize and provide the structure of a retreat.
- Offer suggestions on various questions.
- Refrain from telling new officers what they should do.
- Fill in the blanks.

If an outgoing officer is unaware of how something was done, or does not have records to pass on to the new officer, you can help that officer by providing the information they may need.

The structure of a team effort retreat can take many forms. The advisor's role in this process is to provide historical background when needed; help keep goals specific, attainable, and measurable; and provide advice on policies and procedures.

One-on-One Training & Advisor with Officers

While it is ideal to have the outgoing officer team assist in training the incoming officers, often it is left up to the advisor to educate the incoming officers. In that situation, there should be a joint meeting of the new officers. After that meeting, the advisor should meet individually with each officer and examine the notebook of the previous officer (or create a new one). Things to include in a new notebook:

- Any forms the officers may need to use.
- Copies of previous meeting agendas.
- A copy of the organization's constitution and bylaws.

Talk about what the officers hope to accomplish in the forthcoming year. Assess the officer's role in the organization. What are the expectations of each position? What are the student's expectations of the position and his/her goals?

Liability and Risk Management

As an advisor of a student organization, you are the College's representative regarding the organization's activities. As such, you are expected to give reasonable and sound advice to your organization about such things as programs, use of facilities, and operational procedures. If you have reason to question an action taken by the organization, express your concern directly to the organization in writing, including the date, a suggested alternative to the questionable action, a warning, etc.

The risk of liability can be limited through taking appropriate measures, knowing and abiding by regulations, and using common sense. If you are confronted by a situation that you feel may be risky, please do not hesitate to contact Student Life and ask.

Here are a few things that your organization can do to identify and reduce risk:

- A. Identify specific risks involved in the event. These could include physical risks (such as an event with physical activity) and liability risks (such as events involving alcohol, minors, or travel).
- B. Identify options for reducing risks including, but not limited to:
- C. Assess the capability of the group to manage risk.
- D. Identify the challenges in managing risk, as well as resources to assist in your planning.
- E. Develop a plan of action in reducing risk.
- F. Communicate with everyone involved (officers, members, advisors, participants, facilities staff, etc.)
- G. Be aware of/have access to Parkland College's policies and procedures involving student organizations.

Section III: Organizational Operating Procedures

Student Organization Financial Policies and Procedures

Allocations

Each student organization receives a small annual allocation per academic year after completing the necessary advisor and treasurer trainings and supplying Student Life with all required paperwork. Additional funds can be obtained through RSO fund-raising activities as well as applying to the Student Programming Board for funding of RSO activities.

Student organizations are encouraged to plan organizational activities in advance, know their budget needs in order to conduct the annual business and activities of the organization and make requests for funding their activities through the Student Programming Board as detailed below.

Student Programming Board

The Student Programming Board is comprised of six members: three representatives from Student Government Association (SGA) and three from Student organizations with equal voting powers. At it may be necessary for the board to request additional information and hold a second meeting of the programming board to reach a decision. In the event of a tie, a non-club advising faculty member will serve as the final vote on funding decisions. These individuals will serve for an entire Academic year. The Student Programming Board's main purpose is allocate financial resources to RSOs for programs, events, and trips.

To request funds RSOs must submit a funding request to the Programming Board a minimum of two weeks prior to the Programming board meeting. The funding request will include the amount requested, a budget, name of the organization requesting funds, a point of contact, an advisor's signature, and a statement of how students will benefit from this event.

The Student Programming board will meet in September, October, November, February, & March. It is required that the point of contact is there to answer questions and explain the proposal. The board has authority to fully fund the proposal, partially fund the proposal, conditionally fund the proposal, or deny the proposal, however it is highly unlikely that any request will be funded 100% by the programming board. The board can also request more information from the RSO to make its decision. Student Organizations should allocate enough time to make event/travel arrangements and secure additional funding after receiving final decision from the Student Programming Board.

Funding priority will be given to requests that meet the following criteria:

- Submitted many months before the event (demonstrate pre-planning)
- Collaboration with other student groups or academic departments
- Demonstrate a significant benefit to Parkland College students

Funding Requests

Registered Student Organizations wishing to request funds from Student Life must complete a **Request for Program and Travel Funds form** accompanied by an up to date **Financial Transaction Log.**

These forms and budgets should be submitted to the Activities Program Manager and are reviewed by the Student Programming Board. Organizations are notified if their petition has been approved and the amount of funding awarded.

Funded program and funded travel must provide the student body with educational, cultural, entertainment, or recreational programming which uses funds consistent with the educational goals and purposes of the institution and has a significant impact upon and appeal to the student body. The amount of money awarded will vary from year to year as the College budget changes.

Organizations who are allocated funds may not use those funds for:

- Financial support for political programs, parties, individual political candidates, or direct lobbying efforts.
- Support and/or contributions to any private person, group, association, or business except to pay for goods and services rendered.
- Payment for employment of faculty or staff unless authorized because of unusual circumstances.
- Payment of faculty or staff professional dues.
- Gifts for advisory and participating members.
- Payments of debts and expenditures incurred from any previous fiscal year except under special circumstances.
- Purchase of alcohol.
- Sales tax (RSO Advisors may obtain a tax-exempt letter from the Parkland College Business office)
- Merchandise

For more information regarding the request for funds process, contact Student Life.

Funds must be spent in accordance with College, Board of Trustees, and funding board guidelines. Any violation of federal, state or local laws or funding board guidelines may result in immediate termination of funding.

Student Organization Account

Each Student Organization has a budget line dedicated to them. This account line will be used when depositing money, reimbursing funds, paying for printing, and for all other organization business. Student organizations cannot open or have any checking, savings, or financial accounts besides the Parkland account line. If you are unsure of your organization's account line number, please contact the Administrative Assistant of Student Life.

In order to access student organization accounts the organization must have completed advisor and treasurer trainings and be in active status with good standing.

Organization Budget Guidelines

All student organizations are expected to operate within their budget. Each fall the officers and advisors are encouraged to develop a budget for the year. This will allow the group to make plans and commit to any necessary fundraising. Groups are responsible for all bills incurred in their name. All bills should be paid in a timely fashion. Overspending and/or not taking care of bills in an appropriate and prompt manner may be grounds for revocation of the organization's charter.

Purchasing

All purchases a student organization makes needs to be voted on and approved by the student organization. Funds should be used to promote the organizational mission, help with the growth and development of the organization and their members, and fulfill the student services mission of the college. There are limitations on what can be bought with Student Organization funds and all purchases for Parkland College are tax exempt. If you are unsure if you are allowed to purchase something please contact the Activities Program Manager.

All organization financial transactions need to be recorded on the Financial Transaction Log and will be submitted at the end of the semester. It is important to maintain this log because the amount of funds available may be different the amount of funds in your organizational account due to a delay in processing checks and payments.

Student Organizations can purchase items through one of three ways:

- 1. Student Life can make a purchase on behalf of a student organization with a Parkland College Purchasing Card (P-Card) with funds from the RSO account line. Requests for this must be received a minimum of two business days in advance.
- 2. Student Organizations can submit a Check Requisition for Parkland College to issue a check with funds from their account line (see appendix for details for how to fill out a check requisition)
- 3. Student /Advisor purchases it out of pocket and is then reimbursed from the Student Organization account line. This will again require a Check Requisition to be submitted to Student Life.

Treasurer Training

Treasurer Trainings are offered multiple times at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters. These trainings cover how to fill out a check requisition, what can and cannot be purchased, mandated reporting for financial transactions, and information about your student organization account. Student Organizations must attend Treasurer Trainings to remain active and in good standing. All organizations are required to send their treasurer to this training annually in the fall and are encouraged to attend additional treasurer trainings throughout the year to refresh their knowledge of financial policies for organizations. If your organization's treasurer leaves the organization or a new person becomes the treasurer, contact the Administrative Assistant for Student Life to schedule an individual training.

Fundraising Events & Cash Handling Guidelines

The College permits controlled sales campaigns and solicitations on College property by officially registered student organizations. Student organizations must request permission and register their fundraising event no less than 10 business days in advance with the Activity Program Manager for Student Life. Approved fundraisers should follow the guidelines below:

- All expenditures for the fundraising event must be done through the organization's Fund 10 account following related and appropriate College policies and procedures for expenditures.
- All deposits must be made to the organization account daily through the Cashiers Office and adhere to all related and appropriate College policies and procedures. If fundraising event extends into evening and/or weekend hours, deposits must be done the following business day.
- Checks must be made out to Parkland College. (The organization name or event name may be noted in the memo.)
- If a third party vendor is being utilized for the fundraiser, the contract(s) must be submitted to Student Life for review and processing as early as possible, but no less than 15 business days prior to the beginning of the event. Organization members and/or advisors are NOT allowed to sign contracts on behalf of the organization or College.
- No less than 2 organization members (or advisors) must be present when payments of any type are being accepted. Student Life reserves the right to require an advisor (or other pre-approved advisor substitute) be present depending on the location and type of fundraising event.
- If the fundraiser or club activity involves food items, proper food handling guidelines must be followed, up to and including Champaign Urbana Public Health District guidelines.
- All organizations collecting dues, fees, and/or assessments must deposit the collected monies with Student Life within one business day of receiving the funds. The organization will be given a receipt at that time and the money will be deposited through the appropriate office at the College.
- Separate bank accounts for individual organizations may not be maintained.
- All expenditures listed on a **Request for Program & Travel Funds Form** must be authorized by the organization's advisor and the Program Manager of Student Life. Funds will not be disbursed without receipts or invoices. This is in compliance with College policy.
- No organizations may charge any mandatory fees for membership other than state or national dues and associated costs.
- All organizations will maintain the highest standards during sale/operation. This includes but is not limited to: accounting, cleanliness, cooperation with the Office of Student Life and other Parkland College Departments.
- Student Organizations can request petty cash from Student Life in order to facilitate financial transactions. This money will be returned to Student Life once the fundraiser is ended.
- Student organizations and advisors must always work through Student Life when dealing with contracts and outside vendors, guest lecturers, performers, etc. All contacts related to Registered Student Organizations must go through the Director of Student Life.

Donating

Student Organizations are encouraged to be civic minded by engaging with and serving the community. Student Organizations can donate money to support non-profits under specific conditions. When a student organization wishes to make a donation to an external source, the funds must be secured through a fundraiser which clearly states the intent to raise money to be donated and the name of the organization where donations will go. Student Organizations are encouraged to donate to non-profits that serve the 505 District.

Use of College Facilities

All requests for the scheduling of events, activities, or College facilities should be initiated with Student Life by submitting an RSO Event Request Form. Student Life will assist in planning an activity and in arranging services and facilities as necessary. It is important **RSO Event Request Form** are submitted in a timely fashion and must be submitted 10 business days before the event. Submission of this form will also result in your event being promoted through the weekly Student email.

Please note the following requests and the number of days' notice needed in order to process your request. Below are the minimum days required. Planning in advance is greatly appreciated and ensures we can have your requests available.

- Requests for Rooms allow a minimum of 5 business days
- Tables in the Student Union or College Center allow a minimum of 10 business days
- Audio/Visual Equipment allow a minimum of 15 business days
- Special Set-up allow a minimum of 15 business days

These guidelines are in accordance with College-wide scheduling policies and may be subject to change.

Events in which an organization is contracting with an outside agency, expecting an audience of over 75 participants, or inviting the general community should be planned far in advance to ensure Parkland College departments can accommodate your request.

Student organizations who have scheduled the use of College facilities are expected to use those facilities on the date and time requested. If a student organization will be unable to utilize requested facilities, it is required they notify Student Life at least 24 hours in advance.

Room/Space Reservation

Whenever a Student Organization uses a space at Parkland College they need to reserve the room through 25Live. This will avoid any scheduling conflicts and will publicize your events on Parkland's website. Advisors should submit an online request in 25live at least 10 business days prior to your event. The earlier you submit your request the more flexibility there is to resolve any scheduling conflicts.

Physical Plant Request

If a Student Organization needs assistance from Physical Plant for a meeting, program, or event, advisors should place an online **Physical Plant Request** 10 business days prior to your event. The Physical Plant can assist with event set-up and other services.

Equipment Request

Student Life has a variety of equipment and materials you can request to support your events. This includes but is not limited to plates, silverware, serving utensils, balloons, tablecloths, coolers, whiteboards, and more. To use this equipment, you must fill out Student Life's **Special Event Items Request Form** at least 10 business days prior to your event. Student Organizations are responsible for replacing any items that are lost, damaged, or broken.

A/V Equipment Request

To reserve the use of any A/V equipment advisors may submit an online A/V Event Support **Request Form** at least 15 business days prior to your event. Additional technology is available to be borrowed through the Parkland Library.

Mail

All student organizations may have official business mail sent to the Student Life Office. If you are expecting mail, contact Student Life. Student Organizations can use the Parkland Mailroom to send mail and can order envelopes from Reprographics. The purpose and content of your mailing will have to be approved by the Activities Program Manager in order to utilize official Parkland letterhead

Telephone Use

Telephones are located in the RSO/SGA Office, room U-117, and may be used to conduct the business of the organization. Only local calls may be placed.

Press Release

Organizations interested in having a press release for an event should submit information to the Activity Program Manager for Student Life, who will submit the request to the Marketing department. All requests should be submitted at least 15 business days prior to the event, if appropriate.

Performance Rights

In order to screen a film or play music at an event the public performance rights need to be purchased. Contact the Activities Program Manager for more information about performance rights.

Catering Services

Parkland College encourages, but does not require, the use of Betsy's Bistro for catering events on campus. Student Organizations can place an order by emailing <u>cateringparkland@hendrickhouse.com</u>. Betsy's Bistro will send an invoice directly to Student Life and it will be paid from your organizations account.

Posters and Fliers

All Student Organization posters and fliers and advertisements must be approved by and submitted to Student Life to be posted. Posters will only be posted for two weeks and must adhere to college policies. Postings are not allowed to be placed "around the college" on tables, ledges, shelves, car windows, etc. without permission from Student Life. Student Organizations can submit 8 posters to Student Life to be posted on Student Life Bulletin Boards.

Digital Promotion

To have your posters placed on the TV monitors around campus and on the my.parkland.edu slide show you must submit a Digital Promotion Form.

Student Life Weekly Email

Student Life sends a weekly email to all Parkland student to keep them informed of events and activities happening on campus. Submit a **RSO Event Request Form** at least 10 days prior to be added to this email. Organizational meetings will not be included in this email.

Printing Services

Organizations may utilize the services of the Print Shop for organization printing needs. Student organizations may submit orders to be placed through Student Life. Student organizations are responsible for the costs of printing. Print jobs will be charged to the RSO account.

Please consider that instructional materials for the College will take priority at all times. Allow additional time for printed materials at the beginning and end of each semester and discussing projects before starting is helpful so we can provide guidelines that will give the results you want.

Raffles

Groups that are interested in the sale of raffle tickets must contact Champaign County at https://champaigncountyclerk.com/services/raffle to ensure that all local laws are followed. Groups conducting raffles are required to obtain a raffle license from the cities/counties in which they will sell raffle tickets. Raffle license applications must be submitted by the Office of Student Life at Parkland College. The timing of this request is critical, as to allow for processing and approval by local officials.

Temporary Food Service License

Any organization wishing to give away or sell food to the general public must turn in a RSO Event Request Form registering their event with Student Life. Depending on the nature and the location of the event, it may be required for the organization to secure a temporary food service license from the Champaign Urbana Public Health District. Organizations must submit a copy of their food service to Student Life. Visit https://www.c-uphd.org/temporary-food-events.html for more information.

Section IV: Student/Advisor Development & Recognition

Student Leadership Opportunities

Students have opportunities to get involved at Parkland College and demonstrate their leadership abilities. Leadership opportunities available to students include:

- Student Programming Board
- Student Government Association provide a voice for students on campus. The SGA president also represents the student voice at Parkland College Association. SGA members also serve on grade appeals and student conduct hearings
- Student Trustee serves as voting member of the Board of Trustees and represents Parkland College in the community
- Trained student leadership for student conduct hearings and grade appeals
- Participation in the Student Leadership Academy

Student Life Banquet and Awards

Parkland will award up to the equivalent of ten full in-district tuition waivers annually (allocated in full or in part) to those students who participate in Parkland College Student Life activities. These tuition waivers will be allocated to students participating in The Prospectus (student newspaper), Student Leadership Academy, and Parkland registered student organizations.

Every April, Student Life will host a banquet to recognize the hard work, dedication, and accomplishments of student organizations. During the banquet the Student Organization Awards will be announced. The Student Organization Awards are a way to celebrate and recognize the outstanding work done by advisors, students, and organizations. Two 50% in-district scholarships will be awarded to members who demonstrate strong leadership as an officer or student organizational member and will be continuing for at least one additional academic semester (fall or spring).

Advisor of the Year: This award recognizes an advisor who shows outstanding dedication, commitment, and involvement with a student organization.

Officer of the Year: This award is to recognize any officer (President, Vice President, Treasurer, etc.) in a student organization. This person should be an exemplary leader, supportive and welcoming to all members, and committed to improving the student organization.

Member of the Year: This award is to recognize an outstanding member of a student organization. This student should have excellent attendance and involvement in organizational activities and meetings, demonstrate a high level of responsibility, and serve as an example of how being in a student organization is beneficial for students.

Collaborative Program of the Year: This award recognizes a program or event that exemplifies the importance of collaboration. This could be between two organizations, between an organization and a Parkland Department, or with an organization and community organization.

Community Service Program of the Year: This award recognizes a program or event that a student organization planned or participated in that bettered the 505 District.

Educational Program of the Year: This award recognizes a program or event that exemplifies Parkland's mission to engage the community in learning.

Co-Curricular Organization of the Year: This award recognizes an outstanding co-curricular organization.

Multi-Cultural Organization of the Year: This award recognizes an outstanding multi-cultural organization.

Recreational Organization of the Year: This award recognizes an outstanding recreational organization.

New Organization of the Year: This award recognizes an outstanding new organization. New organizations are defined as having started in the past or current academic year.

Section V: Travel

Student Organization Travel

Official events are considered those that include all travel outside of District 505 and those in District 505 where student organization funds are utilized, official business is conducted for the student organization, or when the activity/services the student group will participate in are determined (by the Director of Student Life, Dean of Students, and VP for Student Services) to require an advisor presence due to the nature of the activity.

All official events constitute a Parkland College sponsored event, therefore all College policies apply. All students traveling or representing themselves as a Parkland College group, team, etc. are expected to adhere to College policies regarding student conduct. This expectation is to be upheld regardless of the source of funding.

Failure to comply with the travel policies outlined in this manual will lead to immediate revocation of organization charter by the VP of Student Services.

Student groups are not allowed to travel unless they have received approval from Student Life. Group traveling without approval from Student Life may have their charter revoked.

Advisor and student use of alcohol and/or illegal substances is strictly prohibited. "Student" is defined as anyone registered for credit classes at Parkland College, regardless of age. "Advisor" is defined as a Parkland College faculty or staff member who has been approved by Student Life to serve as an advisor to an organization. If a scheduled activity includes travel, advisors are required to accompany the student group. Student groups cannot travel for official events without a Parkland College faculty or staff advisor accompanying them.

All student groups wishing to travel should review the Student Life Group Travel Guidelines found in the following pages. These guidelines outline the steps and necessary documentation that must be completed in order for a student group to receive approval for travel. All students traveling are required to submit a Student Life Group Travel Application requesting permission to travel. Before departure, all release forms and contracts must be turned into Student Life for approval prior to any monies being issued to the student organization. This includes monies from organization accounts (Fund 10) or monies received from Student Life.

Travel Forms

Assumption of Risk and Release Forms must be signed and dated by all student participants. Minors under the age of 18 must have a parent or legal guardian sign their travel forms. Student Life will provide these forms for your organization. All students traveling must complete these forms prior to departure date: (Samples of each form may be found in the Appendices.)

- 1. Parkland College Assumption of Risk and Release
- 2. Off-campus and Overnight Travel Contract
- 3. **Field Trip Form** (Must have a copy on file at Public Safety, Student Life & Dean of Students Office)
- 4. **Van Driver Information Form** (Must have a copy on file at Public Safety) only necessary for drivers

Group Travel Guidelines

Purpose of Student Life Group Travel Program:

- All Student Life group travel must support the mission of the sponsoring organization and the overall mission of the College.
- Traveling advisors must be employees of the College and approved in advance by the Director of Student Life or their designee.
- All students traveling on behalf of the College must be in good standing.

Student Life Group Travel Approval

The assigned trip advisor has primary responsibility for developing and executing the travel program in compliance with all Student Life guidelines, Board Policies and Procedures, and state and federal laws. Prior to travel, organizations must submit the Student Life Group Travel Application and all supporting documentation at least three weeks prior to travel.

The Director of Student Life must approve all group travel applications and travel budget prior to any organization travel.

A copy of all forms will be kept in Student Life, the Dean of Students Office and Public Safety.

Transportation

- Parkland College vehicles should be used for student organization travel. Only current Parkland College faculty and staff members are allowed to drive Parkland College vehicles. Students are not approved drivers regardless of age. There is a limited supply of Parkland Vehicles so advanced planning is recommended for reserving vehicles.
- Parkland College vehicles transport up to five adults. These vehicles are used at no cost to the organization and Parkland College Public Safety will supply a gas card for travel.
- Parkland College Busses have the ability to transport larger groups. The 15-passenger vans may be driven by Parkland College faculty and staff. The group will be charged the current federal mileage reimbursement rate. Check with Public Safety for the most current reimbursement rate.
- Parkland College also has 24 and 30 passenger busses which require a Parkland College faculty or staff driver with a Commercial Driver's License (CDL). The student organization is required to pay the driver (arranged through Human Resources), the federal mileage reimbursement rate, and provide the driver with directions to the travel destination, provide the driver's meals and hotel accommodations (if applicable). Required drivers do not constitute an "approved advisor".
- In rare instances students may need to request exceptions to the above mentioned transportation options. Travel exceptions must be requested using the travel exception form and must be approved by the Dean of Students or VP for Student Services.
- If a Parkland College vehicle is not available, a Student Organization can rent a vehicle. It is preferred that Student Organizations work with the Activity Program Manager to make these reservations through the college corporate account. The cost of vehicle rental will be charged to the student organization account.
- Payment of any ticket issued to the driver of a College vehicle is the responsibility of the driver.
- Report any accidents or damage to vehicles to Public Safety, Director of Student Life,

and Dean of Students immediately upon occurrence.

While traveling a Student Organization should prioritize the use a Parkland College vehicle, rented vehicle, or public transportation. Compliance with Board policies/procedures and legal mandates:

- Trip advisors will ensure participants are informed about related Board policies and procedures and Federal and State laws pertinent to their individual responsibilities.
- Trip advisors and participants must conduct themselves in a professional manner in accordance with all applicable federal and state laws, as well as Board policies and procedures.

Access and Participation

Students or participants involved in Student Life group travel must be a member of a Parkland College organization and be a currently enrolled Parkland College student.

Individuals may be denied participation in a program if their participation is deemed dangerous to the applicant or the other participants. Trip advisors are to inform Student Life in advance when a student's behavior or other circumstances warrant denial of participation in a Student Life group travel program.

Trip advisors need to document special student needs and agreed-upon accommodations and submit a copy to Student Life.

Minors under the age of 18 must have a parent or legal guardian sign their Conditions of Participation form.

Emergency Situations

The trip advisor is to submit a written incident report of all emergency situations, participant's dismissals, or other unique incidents, as soon as possible to Student Life. If necessary, reports may be emailed or faxed.

In case of an emergency evacuation, missing participants or in case of repatriation (death of participant), contact the local police. As soon as the group is secure contact Public Safety, Director of Student Life, and the Dean of Students.

Program Cancellation

Student Life group travel may be cancelled due to acts of God and other unforeseen events.

The VP of Student Services, Dean of Students and/or Public Safety will authorize cancellation of a travel program.

Fiscal Accountability

Student Life group travel budgets must be approved in advance by Student Life. Trip advisors must provide required receipts and other documentation for expense reporting.

Responsibilities of Traveling Advisor

- Advisors are required to accompany the student group in all official travel and in all activities scheduled once the destination is reached. In rare circumstances a Parkland College faculty or staff member other than the approved advisor may travel with an organization with the approval of the VP of Student Services. In such circumstances, the acting advisor is held to the same expectations as an advisor.
- If an approved Parkland College faculty or staff member is not able to accompany the student group then the organization is not allowed to travel regardless of the source of funding.
- The advisor must attend all official off-campus activities or conferences, and is expected to travel with the student group. The College suggests the ratio be a minimum of one advisor per ten (10) students.
- In case of a medical emergency, the advisor shall notify 9-1-1 (or equivalent immediately). The advisor should accompany the student to the hospital emergency room if at all possible.
- A copy of each students' emergency contact information shall be kept with the advisor at all times during the course of the trip. A copy of all required travel forms should remain in the Student Life Office in the travel folder.
- The advisor can instill a curfew or other rule(s) to be attended to by all students participating in the excursion/event for all official Parkland College travel.
- Advisors are strictly prohibited from using alcohol and/or illegal substances while traveling with students.
- Should a student be found with alcohol and/or illegal drugs, the advisor should contact/notify the Dean of Students and local authorities. Consequences and/or punishment could include anything from possible banishment from the activity to criminal charges. This is a student conduct code violation which should be discussed with the Dean of Students as soon as possible.

Responsibilities of Traveling Students

- It is the student's responsibility to provide complete information to family members and to provide a telephone number where they can be reached in case of emergency.
- It is advised students should not participate in a special activity or an excursion if their grades are in question.
- Students must remember at all times they are representing Parkland College. They are expected to behave with decorum and respect other students, conference attendees, hotel guests, etc.
- If the College is paying for travel expenses, students are expected to participate in all seminars, lectures, presentations, or any other activities for which the purpose of the event or excursion is intended. Failure to do so could subject the student to disciplinary measures as determined appropriate by the faculty advisor or Dean of Students.
- Once a student commits to attending an event or excursion, they can withdraw only with a reasonable excuse approved by the advisor. An unexcused absence could result in the student reimbursing Parkland College for his/her cost of the trip.
- Upon arriving at the destination, students are not allowed to leave the premises without prior approval from the advisor.
- When traveling as part of a Parkland College excursion, students are not allowed overnight guests. In addition, roommate assignments are final and cannot be changed without advisor approval.

- No student may consume alcohol and/or use illegal substances, regardless of age.
- If a student be found with illegal drugs, the advisor should contact/notify local authorities. Consequences and/or punishment could include anything from possible banishment from the activity to criminal charges. This is a student conduct code violation which should be discussed with the Dean of Students as soon as possible.

Failure to uphold the aforementioned guidelines, policies, and/or procedures may cause a traveler to be sent home immediately from the event or excursion at the travelers own expense. The action may be reviewed and, depending upon the severity of the offense, the traveler may be removed from office or membership by the organization, by the Director of Student Life or Dean of Students.

Appendix:

Organization Assessment Forms

Planning Document for Student Organizations Results Document for Student Organizations Event Evaluation Form

Organization Business Forms

RSO Application for Recognition and Renewal Check Requisition RSO Event Request Form Request for Travel or Program Funds Budget worksheet: Request for Travel or Program Funds RSO Budget Transaction Log Special Event Request Form Sample Constitution and Bylaws Travel and Expense Voucher

Organization Travel Forms

Group Travel Application Off-Campus & Overnight Field Trip Travel Contract Assumption of Risk and Release Driver Information Form Travel Exception Waiver Field Trip Form

Online Forms – All forms available through MyParkland.edu

Physical Plant Request Form Print Shop Order Form A/V Event Support Request Form

Planning Document for Student Organizations

To maintain status as a Registered Student Organization and be eligible for funding, your organization will need to submit the **Planning Document** as well as a **Membership Roster** at the beginning of each academic year and the **Results Document** and updated **Membership Roster** at the end of each academic year. Student Life will send information regarding these documents prior to the start of the fall semester.

Name of Student Organization:

Purpose or Mission:		
President's Name:		dvisor's ame:
Person		
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Is membership to this organization open to all enrolled students? \Box Yes \Box No

Current number of members: _____ At the start of academic year:

Program Goals

Program goals are statements that describe initiatives for improving the organization. Choose at least one program goal that your organization wishes to pursue this year (*example: increased attendance at yearly event, hosting a successful regional event, increase fundraising by 50%*) At least one program goal is required.

Program Goal #1 (required):		
Action steps/timeline for meeting this goal:		
How will you measure your results?	 Survey/Questionnaire Review of Records Resource Analysis 	□ Other (define):

Program Goal #2 (optional):			
Action steps/timeline for meeting this goal:			
How will you measure your results?	 Survey/Questionnaire Review of Records Resource Analysis 	□ Other (define):	

Learning Outcomes

Learning outcomes are statements that specify what learners will know or be able to do as a result of a learning activity. Choose at least one learning outcome/goal that your organization wishes to pursue this year (example: students will plan Landscape & Garden Day) At least one learning outcome is required.

Learning Outcome 1 (required):	
Action steps/timeline for meeting this outcome:	
How will you measure your results?	 Reflective Journals Other (define): Survey/Questionnaire Interviews
This learning outcome aligns with which Strategic Priorities?	 Helping Students Learn Meeting Student and Other Stakeholder Needs Knowledge Management & Resource Stewardship
This learning outcome aligns with which General Education Goals? (<i>see attached</i>)	 1 Communication 2 Reasoning 3 Responsibility

Learning Outcome 2 (optional):	
Action steps/timeline for meeting this outcome:	
How will you measure your results?	 □ Reflective Journals □ Other (define): □ Survey/Questionnaire □ Interviews
This learning outcome aligns with which Strategic Priorities?	 Helping Students Learn Meeting Student and Other Stakeholder Needs Knowledge Management & Resource Stewardship
This learning outcome aligns with which General Education Goals? (see attached)	 1 Communication 2 Reasoning 3 Responsibility

Learning Outcomes

General Education Goals

Goal#1: Communication

Associate degree graduates have the ability to transfer information, concepts, or emotions to an audience through written, oral, symbolic, aesthetic, and/or nonverbal communication methods that successfully align with their purpose.

Goal#2: Reasoning

Associate degree graduates identify and solve problems, analyze new information, synthesize and evaluate ideas, and transform ideas into a course of action by using critical, creative, and/or analytical skills.

Goal#3: Responsibility

Associate degree graduates understand the implication of choices and actions, demonstrate appropriate behaviors in academic/professional contexts, and contribute constructively within the context of community.

Strategic Priorities

- Helping Students Learn
- Meeting Student and Other Stakeholder Needs
- Knowledge Management and Resource Stewardship

Results Document for Student Organizations

This form is an opportunity for campus organizations to share their organization results for the academic year. Please provide detail for all questions. This form must be completed by the organization in order to be eligible for future funding or to maintain your status as a registered student organization.

Name of Student Organization:		
President's Name:	Advisor's Name:	
Person Completing this Form:	Email and Phone:	

Membership

Please fill out the following information regarding membership and attach current membership roster.

Is membership to this organization open to all enrolled students? \Box Yes \Box No		
Current number of members: For the past academic year, indicate:	At the end of academic year:	
	Number of members have left	
Number of new members	or become inactive	

Meetings

Please fill out the following information regarding your organization's meetings.

Were meetings held regularly?	How often were meetings held?
Did the president preside over the meetings?□ Yes □ No	If no, who led the meetings?

Leadership

Please fill out the following information regarding the leadership of your organization.

Did officers have executive board meetings?□ Yes □ No	
Officers completed full terms? □ Yes □ No	If no, why did officers resign?
Do you have an established officer transition plan? □ Yes □ No	If yes, please describe the plan:

Programs and Events Evaluation Form

Please fill out the following information regarding your organization's programs and events.

Total service hours performed by members:	List community organizations your group worked with/for:	
Did you hold community service events? □ Yes □ No	If yes, please list and describe:	
Did you hold fundraising events? □ Yes □ No	If yes, please list and describe:	
Did you hold educational events for Parkland students? □ Yes □ No	If yes, please list and describe:	
Did you hold social events for Parkland students? □ Yes □ No	If yes, please list and describe:	
Did you hold events to connect Parkland students with the community? □ Yes □ No	If yes, please list and describe:	
Program Goal #1 (required):		
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How did you measure your results?	 □ Survey/Questionnaire □ Other (define): □ Review of Records □ Resource Analysis 	
Describe your results:		
How will you use these results for future planning?		

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Program Goal #2			
(optional):			
(optional).			
How did you measure	□ Survey/Questionnaire	\Box Other (define):	
your results?	□ Review of Records		
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	□ Resource Analysis		
Describe your results:			
Describe your results.			
How will you use these			
results for future			
planning?			
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Learning Outcomes

Learning Outcome 1 (required):			
How did you measure your results?	 Reflective Journals Survey/Questionnaire Interviews 	□ Other (define):	
Describe your results:			
How will you use these results for future planning?			

Learning Outcome 2 (optional):			
How did you measure your results?	 Reflective Journals Survey/Questionnaire Interviews 	□ Other (define):	
Describe your results:			
How will you use these results for future planning?			

RSO APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION AND RENEWAL

Name of Organization		Date
		Date
Parkland College ID#		
Proposed Purpose and Objecti	ves of the Organizati	on
Are two copies of your propos	ed constitution and b	bylaws attached?
Outside Affiliations (All affilia Student Life.)	ations with outside o	rganizations will be approved by the Director of
•	e	with which you plan to be affiliated.
		l, state, local organization with which you plan
Name of Organization		
Complete Address		Phone
C. Attach a copy of the proposidrawn up by the local, state, or		on with the Parkland College organization as
		I approve of the above affiliation:
Dean of Students	Date	
We the undersigned Parkland	College students are	interested in becoming members of the

organization:

Organization Meeting	s will b	e held:				
Day of the Week	Μ	Т	W	Th	F	
Time of Day						
Frequency	Weekl	У	Bi-wee	kly	Monthly	Other:

Officers of the Organization: (please print) CREDIT HOURS

Office Held	Credit Hours	GPA	Phone
	Office Held		

I am familiar with the duties of an advisor and will be glad to serve as an advisor to the organization for the 20_{-20} academic year. Remarks:

Action on the above petition by Student Government:	Aye	Nay	Date
Comments:			

Approved by: _____

Dean of Students

Date:

Notification to organization officers and advisor on _____(date) By: _____(Student Life Activities Program Manager Initials)

Check Requisition

Purpose: This form is used to reimburse students and advisors for purchases or to have Parkland College write a check for the Student Organization.

Content:

ATTN: Business Office	QUISITION	Please attach all availab supporting document	
Name of payee VENDOR OR STUDENT'S FULL NAME	Social Security STUDENT ID #		Requisition date DATE YOU FILLOUT FORM
Street address CURRENT ADDRESS (ON FILE)	Amount of check	:k	Date check needed
City CURRENT ADDRESS (ON FILE)	State	Zip code	Date requisition received
Explanation — Please be specific.		Footed and ve	arified by LEAVE BLANK
Detailed description behind purchase: Purchase of food for meeting or event Purchase of supplies for event, table in Colle *Please include dates for events/meetings	oe Center. Disolav o	Accounting dis	stribution codes
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Originated by LEAVE BLANK

Approved LEAVE BLANK

RSO Event Request Form

Link to form: <u>https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=TxMkewFgLkOm0Z_8SOVp-</u>xTPnKa9HGFGrTEk48_42qVUMDJQQ1ZKUDhOSzJGVFNEUkZaVFVTV05CWC4u

Screenshot:

Questions	Responses				
Event Request Form					
Student Organizations need to fill this form out at least 1 travel. Student Organizations do not need to fill this out					
1. What is your name? *					
Enter your answer					
2. What is your Parkland email address? * Enter your answer					
3. What is your student organization? *					
Enter your answer					
4. Who is your advisor? *					
Enter your answer					

5.	What	is th	e title	of the	event?
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Enter your answer

6. Add a brief description and purpose of the event

Enter your answer

7. When will the event be held?

Please input date in format of M/d/yyyy

8. What is the time for the event?

Enter your answer

9. Where will the event be held?

Enter your answer

Submit

Request for Travel or Program Funds

Organization Name: _____

Amount Requested: _____

Respond to the following for each program request form.

1) Please provide a description and purpose of requested travel/program:

2) Dates of travel/program:

3) Travel/Program destination (city, state):

4) What are the registration or admission costs associated with this travel/program per person?

5) How many travelers will this budget request support?

6) What other funding sources will be used to support this travel/program?

Funding Type	Description	Amount

7) Does this organization charge dues? If yes, what is the total amount collected annually?

8) How will this travel benefit the Parkland College community? Are there other communities (groups outside of Parkland College) served by this travel or program?

- 9) Will this travel/program include collaboration with other campus clubs/organizations or academic units? If so, who will be included? What role will each of the collaborators have in the program/travel?
- 10) What strategies have or will the organization pursue to control costs associated with this travel/program?
- 11) If the organization does not receive funding or only partial funding, will travel/program still occur?

- 12) Name of advisor who will be traveling with the student organization or overseeing the program (must be a current Parkland College faculty or staff member).
- 13) How does this activity support the mission of the College?

Individual submitting this for	m:	
Individual's position within th	ne student organization:	
Phone:	Email:	

Return this form along with the **Budget Form**, **Learning Outcomes** document, and organization **meeting minutes** documenting a group vote on the proposed program or travel to Programming Board Mailbox in Student Life Office, Room U-11.

To be considered for funds, the student organization must have a fundraiser by October 15 for fall semester and February 15 for spring semester.

All trips, meetings, and outings (on-campus or off-campus) need paperwork filled out. Failure to do so could result in an inability to access Fund 10.

Budget Worksheet Request for Travel or Program Funds

Organization Name:	Fiscal Year
organization rame.	

Budget Category	Budget	Description	Requeste d	Approve d
Contractual (registration, entry/admission				
*Travel (vehicle, hotel, airfare, car rental, fuel/mileage, taxi, parking, public transportation)				
*Commodities/Printi ng(misc. supplies, food/drink, printing)				
Income-Money the organization is contributing (fundraising, dues, department funding, gifts, co- sponsorship, other)				
Grand Totals				

*Exclusion: hotel tax and meal tax

RSO Budget Transaction Log

Organization Name:

Month:

Account Number:

Starting Balance:

Date	Item	Cost	Balance

Advisor Signature:

Date:

Date:

Treasurer Signature:

SPECIAL EVENT ITEMS REQUEST FORM Student Life U-111

Reset Form

	TODAY'S DATE	
ME OF ORGANIZATION	DATE OF EVENT	
	CONTACT'S PHONE	
DCATION OF FUNCTION	DATE/TIME ITEMS WILL BE PICKED UP	
To confirm the please contact the Office of Stude	availability of requested items, nt Life at 351-2492, three days prior to your event.	
EASE INDICATE QUANTITY NEEDED:		
Pizza Boats	Chafers	
Bowls (12 oz. foam)	Small Coffee Maker	
6" Plates	Coffee Urn for Coffee	
9" Plates	Coffee Um for Hot Water	
Foam Cups	Vases	
Napkins	Votive Candle Holders	
Plastic Forks	Ballot Box	
Plastic Spoons	Table Skirts:	
Plastic Knives	White	
erving Utensils (type and quantity)	Green	
	Green Parkland	
Food Handler Gloves	White tablecloths:	
Coolers	Round or Square (will fit round tables)	
Punch Bowl and ladle	Rectangle	
Serving Platters	Green Tablecloths:	
Baskets	Rectangle	
Pitchers	Balloons: (first 20 at no charge then 25 cents each)	
Serving Bowls	Total quantity	
Cash Box	unidate? use no quantity	
	weights? yes no quantity	
Sign Stand		
Popcom Machine	weights must be returned	

NOTICE By receiving this order, I understand and agree that picking up, cleaning (with the exception of the linens), and return of these items, is the responsibility of our department, program, or unit, and not that of the Office of Student Life or Physical Plant. I further agree that all items will be returned to Room U-111 within 24 hours of the date of the event, unless previous arrangement have been made.

ITEMS RECEIVED BY:_

PRINT NAME

For office use only: Date:

Order filled by:

ALL ORDERS ARE TO BE PICKED UP IN STUDENT LIFE OFFICE, U-111

Sample Constitution and Bylaws

New and emerging student clubs can use this example when developing a constitution and bylaws specific to their club needs. Established clubs can use this when updating or changing their bylaws.

ARTICLE I: NAME & PURPOSE

Section A: Name – The name of this club shall be [name of club].

Section B: National Affiliation – If the club is a member of a national or state organization, add the following statement and attach a copy of the national constitution as it will become part of this document: "The rules and regulations of the National Constitution shall be followed when not inconsistent with the rules and regulations of CSM."

Section C: Purpose – The purpose of this club shall be:

1. [List in detail the purposes and objectives of the clubs.]

- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP & DUES

Section A: Eligibility - Membership shall be open to [define membership qualification, i.e., majors in a particular academic area, etc.] upon payment of the dues as outlined in Section C.

Section B: Dues – Dues shall be \$_____ per year. [List national and state dues separately if applicable].

ARTICLE III: OFFICERS

Section A: Officers – The officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. [These are general officers, add officers specific to the needs of the club, if necessary.]

Section B: Eligibility – Officers must be_____ [full-time students, carrying at least 1 credit, etc.]

Section C: Election – The officers shall be elected by ballot at the last meeting of the spring semester by a majority of the vote cast for that office.

Section D: Term – The officers shall serve for one year and their term of office shall begin at the commencement of the fall semester.

Section E: Vacancy – If a vacancy occurs in the office of President, the Vice-President shall assume the office for the remainder of the term and vacancies in any other office shall be filled by a special election.

ARTICLE IV: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section A: President – it shall be the duty of the President to:

- Preside at meetings
- Vote only in case of a tie
- Represent the club
- Appoint committee chairpersons subject to the approval of the Executive Committee
- Serve as an ex-officio member of all committees except the nominating committee
- Perform such other duties as ordinarily pertain to this office

Section B: Vice-President – It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to:

- Preside in the absence of the President
- Serve as chairperson of the Program Committee

Section C: Secretary – It shall be the duty of the Secretary to:

- Record the minutes of all meetings
- Keep a file of the club's records
- Maintain a current roster of membership
- Issue notices of meetings and conduct the general correspondence of the club

Section D: Treasurer – It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to:

- Receive all funds and process Request for Payment, Deposit Slip, and Officer Signature Forms.
- Keep an itemized account of all receipts and expenditures and make reports as directed

ARTICLE V: MEETINGS

Section A: Meetings – Regular meetings shall be held monthly during the regular school year.

Section B: Special Meeting – Special meetings may be called by the President with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Section C: Quorum – A quorum shall consist of [example: two-thirds (2/3)] of the membership. [The number required should be small enough to ensure that a quorum will usually be present but large enough to protect the club against decisions being made by a small minority.]

Section D: Parliamentary Authority – Robert's Rules of Orders, shall govern this club in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these bylaws.

ARTICLE VI: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section A: Responsibility – Management of this club shall be vested in an Executive Committee responsible to the entire membership to uphold these bylaws.

Section B: Membership – This committee shall consist of the officers as listed in Article III and the faculty advisor.

Section C: Meetings – This committee shall meet at least once between regular meetings of the club to organize and plan future activities.

ARTICLE VII: ADVISOR

Section A: Selection – there shall be a faculty/staff advisor who shall be selected each year by the membership.

Section B: Duties – The responsibilities of the faculty advisor shall be to:

- Maintain an awareness of the activities and programs sponsored by the student club.
- Meet on a regular basis with the leader of the student club to discuss upcoming meetings, long range plans, goals, and problems of the club.
- Attend regular meetings, executive board meetings as often as schedule allows.
- Assist in the orientation of new officers.
- Explain and clarify campus policy and procedures that apply to the club.
- Maintain contact with the Student Life Office.
- Provide direction in the area of parliamentary procedure, meeting facilitation, groupbuilding, goal setting, and program planning.
- Assist the club treasurer in monitoring expenditures, fundraising activities, and corporate sponsorship to maintain an accurate and up-to-date account ledger.
- Inform club members of those factors that constitute unacceptable behavior on the part of the club members, and the possible consequence of said behaviors.

ARTICLE VIII: COMMITTEES

Section A: Program Committee – A program committee composed of the Vice-President as chairperson and four other members shall be appointed by the President before the end of spring semester, whose duty shall be to plan the overall program of the club.

Section B: Other committees – [List other committees germane to the club such as finance, publicity, membership, professional relations, social, etc.]

Section C: Special Committees – The President shall have the authority to appoint any special committees, with the approval of the Executive Committee, from time to time as need demands.

ARTICLE IX: AMENDMENTS

Section A: Selection – these bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the chapter membership.

Section B: Notice – All members shall receive advance notice of the proposed amendment at least five days before the meeting. [The time may be extended to the following meeting.]

Group Travel Application

Please type or print clearly.

Paperwork Deadlines:

- Day Trips are due three weeks before departure. •
- Travel with overnight stay is due six weeks before departure. •

Organization name:	Date submitted:

Advisor who will be traveling with students (required):

Advisor office number:

Phone number where you can be reached when traveling:

Date of travel:

Description of travel:

Overview and importance/relevance to organization (how does this support the mission of the College):

Current organization balance (as of date of application): _____ Total

number of student travelers: _____ Number of advisors: _____

Attachments required:

- Group Travel Application Form 1.
- Flier of conference or event. 2.
- 3. Copy of hotel information.
- Copy of conference registration which includes registration fees. 4.
- 5. Off-Campus & Overnight Field Trip Travel Contract for each student who is attending (after reviewing this application)

Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

PARKLAND COLLEGE

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND RELEASE

I,_____(name), acknowledge that I am a student/visitor participating in the following activity sponsored by Community College District No. 505 (Parkland College):

Department: Student Life Date of Activity: July 22, 2016

Description of Activity: Leadership Conference in Addison,

I desire to participate in the activity described above. As a participant in the activity, I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury inherent in participating in the activity. With full knowledge of the facts and circumstances surrounding this activity, I voluntarily undertake this activity and I agree to assume all responsibility and risk from my participation in this activity, including all risk of any injuries, damages, or loss which I may sustain as a result of participating, in any manner, in the activity described above.

To the extent permitted by law, I release Parkland College, and its Trustees, officers, employees and agents, from any liability for personal injuries, property damage, or any other claims whatsoever arising out of my participation in the activity. I further agree to fully defend, indemnify, and hold harmess Parkland College, its Trustees, officers, employees and agents from and against any claim, expense, cost or liability of any nature (including attorney's fees) arising out of or resulting from my negligence or conduct while participating in the activity.

I understand the nature of the activity in which I will be participating and have read and understand the Assumption of Risk and Release.



Parent Signature

Student's Signature

(If participant is under the Age of Eighteen (18), a Parent or Legal Guardian

MUST Sign) Date: _____

Date submitted:	
Student's name:	_ Age:
Home phone #:	_Student ID #:
Organization:	_Date of trip:
Trip to:	-
IN CASE OF EMERGENCY, CONTACT:	
Name:	Relationship:
Address:	City:
State:Zip:Home Phone	#:
Business Phone #:	

Off-Campus & Overnight Field Trip Travel Contract

In order to safeguard my physical health and safety and that of my fellow students, and to protect the good name and reputation of Parkland College while on this field trip, I agree to:

- 1. Observe all federal, state, and local laws as well as Parkland College policies and regulations at all times.
- 2. Conduct myself in a professional and responsible manner, keeping in mind that I am representing my student organization and Parkland College.
- 3. Observe all rules of the host institution or agency which apply to visitors or the general public.
- 4. Attend all activities, meetings, or sessions during the conference/trip unless the trip advisor gives prior approval otherwise. Alternate arrangements should be made in advance with the RSO advisor and Parkland College prior to departure on the trip.

Parkland College requires organization/organization advisors to travel with students on overnight trips, Parkland College expects all students to act as ambassadors of the College and abide by our policies and regulations. Noncompliance with College policies may result in disciplinary action as outlined in the Parkland College Student Handbook & Parkland College Policies and Procedures Manual, and additional travel for the organization or organization also may be denied.

(over)

Parkland College reserves the right to disallow, discontinue, and cancel any participant's trip with reasonable cause. Alcohol consumption, use of illegal substances, disruptive, abusive, and inappropriate behavior are prohibited and may result in my being sent home. If I am asked to leave, I understand that I must reimburse the organization and Parkland College for any expenses they covered for my participation in the conference.

I have read and understand the terms of this contract, and I agree to abide by them.

Date

Parent's Signature (If student is under 18, a Parent or Legal Guardian MUST sign)

Driver Information Form

Return vehicle form, vehicle keys, credit cards, and receipts to Public Safety at A160 as soon as your trip is completed. We request that you pick up all garbage in vehicle before returning paperwork.

Driver's Name			Phone	Number
Driver's License Number		State IL		Exp Date
Driver's Name			Phone	Number
Driver's License Number		State		Exp Date
Trip Advisor			Phone	Number
Department		Account N	lumber	(van/bus only)
Destination	City/State			# of Passengers
Date/Time of trip	Return Date/T	ìme		

The completion of this form for every trip is mandatory. This form along with all keys, credit cards, and gas receipts must be immediately returned to Public Safety, A160. If there are any issues with the vehicle, notify us at 351-2369. Anyone driving the vehicle must be included on this form and approved by Public Safety. Failure to notify the proper party of any incidents, or failing to return the vehicle on time may result in loss of college vehicle privileges. Parkland vehicles are intended for Parkland College personnel to include, staff, students, and persons of legal age. By signing this form, you agree to the terms listed here and in the Vehicle Use Policy.

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For Public Safety Use

Set 1	Set 2	Set 3	Set 4	Set 5	
11	15A	15UL	15C	22	30

Signing Out	Checking In
DLN Valid Yes [] No [] ^{**Must have correct} level CDL for 22 and 30	Number of Cards
Date Checked	Date Checked
Issuer	Issuer

*Must have this form completely filled out, along with an up to date Field Trip Form and trip itinerary in order to check out vehicle

Parkland College Off-Campus Travel Exception Waiver

<u>Section 1</u> (To be completed by Parkland Staff)

- Group: Parkland College ______
- Event Location(s): _____

<u>Section 2</u> (*To be completed by field trip participant*) I understand that transportation to and from Event______ on Date ______ is being provided by Parkland College, but I have chosen to

_____ Ride with my parents/guardian in private transportation (either to, from, or to and from the event) and I hereby release The Board of Trustees of Parkland College, its officers, agents, employees and assigns from liability from any and all claims arising out of or in any way connected with the use of my own transportation for this game.

_____ Use an alternate form of transportation, (train or bus) either to, from, or to and from the event and I hereby release The Board of Trustees of Parkland College, its officers, agents, employees and assigns from liability from any and all claims arising out of or in any way connected with the use of my own transportation for this game.

_____ Other (requires Director approval) Please describe request: ______

I understand there are certain inherent risks associated with using private transportation, including but not limited to, injuries associated with automobile accidents.

I am competent to sign this consent release and waiver and have read and understood all the provisions contained in it.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT:

Name (printed)

Signature

SIGNATURE OF Parkland Representative:

Name ((printed)
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Signature

(Date)

(Date)