

# Constitution of the Troutman Youth Athletic Association (TYAA)

## Article 1 Name

The name of this organization shall be Troutman Youth Athletic Association., Inc. ;  
hereinafter referred to in the remainder of this document as TYAA.

## Article 2 Purpose

**Section (a)** To sponsor and develop a complete athletic program for the many rather than the few,  
with a major emphasis on teaching sportsmanship, competition and teamwork.

**Section (b)** To develop strong boys and girls who will grow to be good, clean, healthy, law abiding  
adults.

**Section (c)** To develop individual competencies for our local youth through the practice of  
individual skills and to develop a child's ability to understand how to work as part of a  
team.

**Section (d)** To teach the rules of various sports and games.

## Article 3 Sites of Principle Operation

The principle operation site of the TYAA shall be in the Troutman District, Iredell  
County, State of North Carolina.

## Article 4 Powers

This association shall have the following powers in addition to the powers expressly or  
implicitly conferred on it by law:

**Section (a)** To make and enforce rules and regulations to govern itself on a local basis but  
consistent with and not contrary to any rules and regulations promulgated by the  
TYAA, Iredell County Rec. Department and any and all sports conference(s) in  
which the organization plays.

**Section (b)** To make and enforce rules and regulations to govern the conduct of coaches,  
players, coordinators, cheerleaders, and spectators at practice sessions and all athletic  
events, or any public forum.

**Section (c)** To operate as a non profit organization and to solicit contributions to be used to  
maintain the organization in a non profit manner.

**Section (d)** To hold and own property for the purpose of staging events to aid in the improvement of TYAA's image; said property may be used for fund raising events.

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## **Article 5 Membership**

**Section (a)** The TYAA shall be a representative legislative and executive body. Its Board membership shall be composed of parents of children participating in TYAA programs, coaches approved by the Executive Board or Board of Directors, and other interested parties who have joined the association. Any persons engaged in any activities not for the betterment of TYAA will have their membership taken away and will be suspended from the voting process for a period not to exceed five years. This will take place after investigation by the Board of Directors and a vote by the Board of Directors requiring a two thirds (2/3) majority.

**Section (b)** When it is the judgment of the Board of Directors, a person is delinquent in their duties of their position, they may removed by a two thirds (2/3) vote of the Board of Directors. This stipulation also includes coaches. Any elected officer or director who misses more than three (3) consecutive regular meetings will lose their status as an officer or director until re-elected by the membership. Absences due to sickness, death or other emergencies of like nature shall be regarded as approved absences and shall not affect their status except in the event of a long illness or other cause for prolonged Absences, wherein the officer or director may be replaced. If a Director chooses to terminate membership, he/she must notify an Executive Board Member.

## **Article 6 Officers and Directors**

**Section (a)** The officers shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Pro Tem.

They will known as Executive Officers and will form the Executive Board. They are also a part of the Board of Directors. The executive Board will rule on non-controversial day to day decisions.

**Section (b)** No less than eight (8) members constituting the Board of Directors shall be elected.

The Board of Directors will be comprised of such persons as the Sport Coordinators and heads of committees.

Elected Board Members will be elected in a voting process held by the former Board.

Any person may make nominations for elected positions.

#### **Article 7 Committees**

The President, with the approval of the Board of Directors, shall appoint any and all

committees deemed necessary for the smooth and efficient operation of TYAA. In

emergencies, the President, with permission of a majority of the Executive Board, by

meeting, phone or email, may make decisions that the majority of the board deemed

necessary. These decisions should be reported to the complete Board of Directors at

the next meeting.

#### **Article 8 Meetings and Quorum**

**Section (a)** Regular meetings will be held monthly, or more often as deemed necessary.

**Section (b)** The annual meeting in August will be held within the first week of August.

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**Section (c)** At least five (5) members of the Board of Directors is necessary to establish a quorum.

**Section (d)** All meetings of the TYAA will be open to the general public for at least the first

fifteen minutes of the meeting being in session. Only members of the TYAA Board

will be able to vote on issues or policies.

#### **Article 9 Amendments**

This constitution may be added to, altered, amended or repealed by a two thirds (2/3) vote of the Board Membership

at any regular meeting.