

Removal of Membership

A member of this chapter of the National Beta Club may be dropped from membership if he/she is absent without a justifiable reason for 2 consecutive meetings.

A member of this chapter of the National Beta Club may be dropped from membership if yearly dues are not paid in a timely matter as designated by the sponsor(s).

A member of this chapter of the National Beta Club may be dropped from membership if his/her scholastic record falls below the required level for membership for 2 consecutive terms.

However, no member may be dropped from membership for scholastic deficiency without being accorded a probationary period of one semester to raise his/her record (grade) above or to the minimum required for membership.

A student so dropped from membership for scholastic reasons may be reinstated provided he/she meets the requirements laid down by the Constitution and By-Laws of this chapter of the National Beta Club. Dues will be required if not yet paid.

Any member that is suspended from school will be automatically dropped as a Beta member. Any students placed in ISS for more than 1 day will be placed on disciplinary probation. If a second offense of 1 or more days of ISS occurs, the student will be removed from this organization. Periods of ISS are cumulative and do not have to occur consecutively.

Any member accused of cheating by a member of the Elba High School faculty must appear before a committee made up of the sponsor(s) and administrative staff. The committee has the authority to retain or remove the accused member.

Infractions of the by-laws pertaining to attendance at meetings and service projects by Junior Beta members will result in a one-year delay of induction into the Senior Beta Club.

If and when a member is dropped from membership, a record of this action shall be relayed to the National Beta Club immediately.

SENIOR BETA CLUB CONSTITUTION



ELBA HIGH SCHOOL

PREAMBLE

Believing that credible student effort and achievement should be encouraged and rewarded and seeking to cultivate the ideals of service and leadership in the citizens of tomorrow, the governing body of the Elba Senior Beta Club has instituted this organization for the promotion of these ideals and those stated in the Beta Creed among elementary and secondary school students. To implement this purpose, the following articles have been adopted.

I. Name

The name of this organization shall be the Elba Senior Beta Club.

II. Purpose

The purpose of this organization shall be to promote the ideals of honesty, service and leadership among elementary and secondary students, to reward meritorious achievement, and to encourage and assist students in continuing their education after high school.

III. Membership

The Elba Senior Beta Club shall consist of members as provided for in the Bylaws.

IV. Officers

The Elba Senior Beta Club shall have officers as designated in the Bylaws. The qualifications of officers, the methods of their selection, and their respective powers and duties shall be set forth in the Manuals.

BYLAWS

Meetings

The Elba Senior Beta Club shall hold regular meetings in accordance with Elba High School's Club Day schedule.

Committees

The sponsor(s) shall set up such organizational committees as shall be necessary for the proper supervision and direction of the affairs of the organization.

Certificate

In all cases, certificates for membership must be signed by the principal and by the sponsor.

Membership

Membership will be open during the Fall semester of each school year. Transfer students may transfer membership at the time of entry into Elba High School. Qualification for membership shall be that students must maintain a 90% or higher numerical GPA (unweighted) and be enrolled in advanced courses.

Effective Fall 2016: 9th grade students wishing to join Sr. Beta may do so if they maintained all A's and/or B's during their 7th and 8th grade years. At the completion of their 9th grade year through graduation, students must maintain an unweighted GPA of 90% or higher and be enrolled in advanced courses.

Disqualification

Since the Elba Senior Beta Club is a merit organization, members who fail to maintain a credible record, or who have evidence of personal conduct unbecoming members of this club may be disqualified from membership. The sponsor(s) may at any time and for reasons which appear to be sufficient, disqualify a member from the

club. The following will result in disqualification:

1. Falling below the academic requirements of the club.
2. Cheating which results in ISS to include but not limited to stealing a test, plagiarizing, and changing grades.
3. Any other behavior which the sponsor(s) believe undermines the ideals of the club.

Reinstatement

Members may be reinstated after a probationary period for grade violations. Members will not be reinstated for a cheating offense which results in ISS or suspension. All other reinstatements are left to the discretion of the sponsor(s).

Service Projects

As soon as possible after school begins, this chapter of the Beta Club will undertake a program of service, which will be of benefit to Elba High School and the Elba Community. These projects will be decided upon with approval of the executive head of the high school. Each member is required to participate in a specified number of such projects. Failure to do so will result in the member being placed on probation for one semester. During the probationary period the member is required to complete preapproved independent service project(s). Failure to complete this independent service will result in permanent loss of membership. Seniors who do not complete the required service projects will not receive the Beta Seal on their diploma or Beta Stole for graduation.

Local Dues and Assessments

The local dues of this chapter of the National Beta Club shall be \$15 per year. Dues for new members are \$18 which includes membership in the National Senior Beta Club as required by the club.