**Signal Mountain High School**

**Mu Alpha Theta**

**Constitution**

**Article One:**

The name of this organization shall be the Signal Mountain High School Chapter of Mu Alpha Theta. The chapter shall be affiliated with both the national and the state organizations.

**Article Two: Purpose**

The purposes of Mu Alpha Theta shall be:

1. To promote enthusiasm and involvement in advanced mathematics courses at Signal Mountain High School.
2. To provide tutorial help to Signal Mountain High School students and others with their math classes.
3. To support the Signal Mountain High School math teams as they compete in various mathematics tournaments.

**Article Three: Membership**

Section 1: Mu Alpha Theta is an honor society and all members must be enrolled in at least one honors math class each year. A prospective member must also have the recommendation of his/her math teacher.

Section 2: A minimum weighted average of 93 for all high school classes is required to become a Mu Alpha Theta member. The student must also maintain a minimum letter grade of “B” in his/her current math class(es). Grades will be checked every semester. A student’s overall average may fall below 93 for one semester only. If the student’s overall average falls below 93 for a second semester *while enrolled in high school*, the student will forfeit his/her membership in the club. Similarly, a student may only have one math grade below “B” for one semester. The second grade below “B” while enrolled in high school will result in forfeiture of membership.

Section 3: Annual dues will be collected at the beginning of the school year. Members joining later in the year will pay the same dues when they join.

Section 4: Members may resign at any time. A written resignation is to be given to and accepted by the club sponsor. Resignation is then final.

Section 5: Ninth graders who are enrolled in an honors math class who desire to join Mu Alpha Theta may join as apprentice members. At the end of the first semester, they may become regular members if they meet all the membership criteria. Other students may be admitted to regular membership any time during the school year if they meet all the membership criteria.

**Article 4: Removal**

Removal will be by two-thirds vote of the club officers in conjunction with the Sponsor’s

approval. Each question of removal shall be decided on a case-by-case basis. Members are

subject to removal from the club for any of the following reasons:

1. Failure to be enrolled in an honors mathematics class.
2. Disciplinary violations:

All members are expected to follow school rules. Any action which results in suspension or seriously calls into question the honor of the member will be reviewed by the officers and the Sponsor and may result in membership suspension or removal from the club. Cheating shall result in a one-year membership suspension; subsequent cheating shall result in removal.

1. Failure to be active in chapter activities.
2. Failure to maintain adequate grades as defined in Article 3 Section 2.
3. Failure to adhere to club policies.
4. Being on probation for more than one reason-academics, honor violation, attendance at club activities, or any other probationary offense.

**Article 5: Officers**

Section 1: To be an officer, a member must be attending classes at Signal Mountain High School on a daily basis. Members who are in early admissions or dual enrollment status and attend school at another educational institution may not serve as officers. Members who are on current probation may not serve as officers. If a position becomes vacant because an officer is on probation, the President shall appoint a replacement in accordance with Article 6 Section 2 (see below). If no member of the senior class meets the requirements to be President or Senior Vice-President, the Sponsor will designate members of a lower-level class (mathematics or year, as appropriate) who may serve in these offices. An election will then be held to fill these positions. All officers must attend all scheduled club meetings.

Section 2: The officers shall be:

President

Senior Vice-President

Junior Vice-President

Section 3: The President must be a senior and enrolled in the most advanced math class (IB HL Math Year 2) at Signal Mountain High School. The President will reside at all meetings, be in charge of the general welfare of the club, and will fill vacancies as described below. The President will cast the deciding vote in the case of ties in elections or other club decisions.

Section 4: The Senior Vice-President must be a senior and enrolled in the most advanced math class (IB HL Math Year 2) at Signal Mountain High School. The Senior Vice-President will maintain tutoring records for all members. He/She will assume the office of President if that office becomes vacant, and will preside at meetings when the President is absent.

Section 5: The Junior Vice-President must be a junior and will be in charge of coordinating the induction ceremony which is held each spring.

Section 6: The Sponsor(s) may create one or more temporary administrative positions to aid in completing club projects. The Sponsor, after consulting the President, shall appoint member(s) to fill these positions.

**Article 6: Elections and Amendments**

Section 1: General elections will be held each year on a date determined by the Sponsor and current club officers. Members running for office may not be on probation at the time of the election. If any election results in a tie (especially after a run-off ballot), the President, after consulting with the Sponsor, shall cast the tie-breaking vote.

Section 2: If any office other than the President’s becomes vacant, the President, with the approval of the Sponsor, shall appoint a replacement. If both the offices of the President and Senior Vice-President become vacant, a special election shall be held to fill those two offices.

Section 3: This Constitution, upon recommendation of the Sponsor and officers of the club, may be amended by a simple majority of members present at a regular club meeting.