



**East Ridge Middle School  
Jr. Beta Club  
By Laws 2023-2024**

**MEETINGS**

The principal will determine the time and location of the East Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club meetings.

**MEMBERSHIP**

The purpose of this organization is to promote character and leadership through service to our school and community.

**Inductions**

Students may be inducted into the East Ridge Middle School Junior Beta club in either August or January of that current school year by paying the \$30 membership dues within 10 days of receiving the grade card or by the deadline as set by the Beta Club Sponsors.

Students must meet the following criteria to join and remain in the East Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club.

- Achieve and maintain a grade average of 90 or above based on the four academic classes and the related arts (not the extended skills) with no D's or F's.
- Officers must have a 90 average with no C's, D's or F's.
- Students must complete four service projects by the March meeting of the current school year.
- Maintain model behavior by not receiving any more than one (1) type of referral.
- Members are expected to attend all Beta meetings.

**Service Projects**

Members must complete four service projects per school year by the March meeting. Members record each service project on a different form for a total of four (4) forms.

Students who join the Beta Club in January are required to complete two (2) service projects by the March meeting.

**Probation**

Members are expected to maintain membership standards at all times. Members will be placed on probation for the remainder of the grading period for the following reasons:

- Not completing four service projects by the March meeting.
- Not maintaining a 90 overall average.
- Receiving an office referral, a bus referral or out of school suspension
- Three unexcused absences from meetings.

Members may restore their membership to good standing by meeting the following requirement by the end of the probation period:

- Complete two additional service projects.
- Achieve a 90 overall average.
- Attend all meetings.

**NOTE:** Members placed on probation for any reason must continue to attend meetings, complete service projects and maintain high academic achievement.

Members on probation do not qualify to participate in convention activities or field trips.

### **Loss of Membership**

Junior Beta membership will be terminated for the following reasons.

- Not attending meetings while on probation.
- Not completing 2 service projects by the end of the fall semester probation.
- Not achieving a 90 average by the end of the next grading period.
- Receiving a D or an F on a nine week grade card.
- Receiving a second office or bus referral.

Administrators reserve the right to dismiss a Beta from the club for any reason.

### **OFFICER ELECTIONS**

Student officers will serve the East Ridge Middle School Junior Beta Club for one school year.

Officers will be elected by a majority vote by the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade members in the spring semester.

Student candidates must meet the following requirements:

- Be a current 7<sup>th</sup> grade student in good standing
- Grade average equal to or greater than 90 with no C's, D's, or F's.
- Completed application form including all teacher evaluation forms.