



Harriton High School Technology Student Association Membership Form

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Your child has expressed an interest in becoming a member of the Technology Student Association (TSA) at Harriton High School. The Technology Student Association fosters personal growth, leadership, and opportunities in technology, innovation, design, and engineering. Members apply and integrate science, technology, engineering and mathematics concepts through co-curricular activities, competitive events and related programs. TSA members have the opportunity to enhance their leadership skills, become part of a team, and compete at exciting Regional, State and National TSA Conferences.

2011-2012 TSA Conference Schedule

Regional:

February 11th, 2012 (Snow Date Feb 25)
Quakertown, PA
Strayer Middle School (\$40)

State:

April 18th- 21st, 2012
Champion, PA
Seven Springs Resort (\$300 estimate)

National:

June 21st- June 25th, 2012
(Overlaps with the first day of LMSD Summer School)
Nashville, Tennessee
Gaylord Opryland Convention Center (\$500-\$600 estimate)

Total registration & travel expenses for the year for all three conferences are estimated to be \$900.00 or higher per student.

2010-2011 Season Highlights

Harriton TSA crowns first National Champion!

It's been a record setting year for the Harriton Technology Student Association. Most recently, the Harriton Chapter of TSA returned from their National Conference with five top ten finishes; the most in Harriton history. Most notably, Dhruv Pillai placed first in the Prepared Presentation event! Phil Hayes ran a great campaign for National TSA President, but unfortunately was not elected. Congratulations to all Harriton TSA members for their hard work and dedication. The TSA members represented Harriton High School with grace and professionalism throughout the entire season. The LMSD community should be very proud. There is no better opportunity in the LMSD schools than TSA for our students to experience such a broad range of critical life skills. Our TSA members not only compete in a wide range of STEM events, they also participate in leadership sessions and hold critical positions at the state and national levels.

TSA National Conference Results:

1st Place: Dhruv Pillai, Prepared Presentation

4th Place: Jessica Herrmann, Career Comparisons

5th Place: Liza Atillasoy, Future Technology Teacher

6th Place: Ally McLaughlin, Essays on Technology

10th Place: Phil Hayes/Dhruv Pillai, Debating Technological Issues

National TSA Presidential Candidate, Phil Hayes

Season Highlights;

Five of the eight seats on the 2011-2012 PA State Officer Team are Harriton TSA members.

President- Phil Hayes, Harriton HS, Lower Merion SD

Vice President- Dhruv Pillai, Harriton HS, Lower Merion SD

Secretary- Sabrina Sayoc, Harriton HS, Lower Merion SD

Reporter- Ben Hewitt, Harriton HS, Lower Merion SD

Historian- Liza Atillasoy, Harriton HS, Lower Merion SD

17 Top 10 Finishes at the state conference (Harriton Record)

23 Top 10 finishes at the regional conference (Harriton Record)

TSA members demonstrate STEM concepts through robotics at Gladwyne Elementary School's National Lab Day.

Other

- 1st Place at the 2010 Pennsylvania TSA State Conference in Career Comparisons
- 1st Place at the 2009 Pennsylvania TSA State Conference in Biomedical Research
- 2nd Place at the 2010 National TSA Conference in Baltimore, MD
- 5 of 8 Pennsylvania State Officer Positions are currently held by Harriton TSA members.
- Statewide "Green" Initiative started and run by Harriton TSA member.
- Several Regional Championships since 2005.

If you agree that your child is a match for TSA:

- Please return page 4, and a check in the amount of \$40.00 made out to “Harriton High School”. This check covers supplies, a club T-Shirt, and registration for the Regional Conference in February.
- This amount is nonrefundable so make sure your child is committed to TSA Membership.

Please return this document with all signatures and information (Page 4). Your signature confirms that you:

- give permission for your child to join the Technology Student Association at HHS
- understand the late bus and pick up policy
- give consent for photographic and name inclusion on the www.harritontsa.com website
- understand that your total expenses for 3 conferences are estimated to be \$900.00 per member.

A student’s signature indicates that the student is aware of the rules and agrees to follow them.

- The student must work on TSA events while attending.
- Students will demonstrate appropriate school behavior at ALL times.
- Students will not allow TSA to interfere with academic grades.
- Students will not use any tools or equipment until they have received training and they have also obtained permission from Mr. Lehman.

***The cost of attending the National Conference will be reduced based on fundraising success**

