

Establishing a club

The Establishment and Operation of Student Clubs: Blue Ridge Community College maintains that extracurricular activities complement the academic programs. Students are encouraged to participate in all phases of the student activities program as long as such participation is consistent with sound educational practices.

The following criteria must be considered by clubs who seek recognition as an official student organization at Blue Ridge Community College:

1. The organization must serve an area of student activity need. .
2. The membership provisions must not exclude anyone because of their race, color, religion, gender, national origin, age, disability or sexual orientation.
3. The organization must agree to abide by the regulations and policies of the College.
4. The organization must at all times reflect positively on Blue Ridge Community College.
5. The purpose must be compatible with the philosophy and educational objectives of the College.
6. Organization meetings will normally not be scheduled during any class time for members, and members are not granted excused absences to attend.

The procedures for the establishment and recognition of student organizations at Blue Ridge Community College are as follows:

- A. The organization seeking recognition must present to the Coordinator of Student Life a completed Application for Recognition of Organization.
- B. The Application will be reviewed and voted upon by the Student Government Association (SGA).
- C. If the Application is approved by SGA all materials of the proposed organization shall be reviewed by the Coordinator of Student Life for initial approval and then presented to the Director of Enrollment Management.
- D. The Vice President of Student Services shall review the petition and make a recommendation to the Leadership Team of the College.
- E. If approved by the college Leadership Team the College President will make a final decision and notify the Vice President of Student Services.
- F. The organization advisor shall serve as the liaison between the organization and the Coordinator of Student Life. The organization advisor shall exercise supervision over membership, operation, and activities of the organization. Blue Ridge Community College reserves the right to suspend the activities of any student organization when its activities are considered to not be in the best interest of the College.