

PRE-APPROVAL FOR 2022-23 ACADEMIC CLUB REIMBURSEMENT

1. Club Name: ProStart Competition

2. Club Advisor: Lois J. Lewis

3. Criteria for Club Membership:

- Students who have taken or are taking ProStart I or ProStart II classes.
- Students who have maintained an A or B grade in ProStart classes.
- Students who show an interest in or affinity for culinary arts and restaurant management.
- Students who have signed up for participating in a state competition.
- Students who have exhibited positive behaviors.

4. Goals and Objectives:

- To promote student leadership and responsibility.
- To reinforce classroom learning through participation in a hands-on competition.
- To assist students in applying culinary arts and restaurant management knowledge.
- To develop speaking and presentation skills.

5. Budget:

This amount is yet to be determined, but previously the costs of practices (supplies, groceries, etc.) and chef jackets or shirts were covered through fundraisers or donations and grants from organizations such as Hospitality MN. This is also the plan for this year. However, the district vehicle was used to take students to the competition and hotel rooms would need to be booked for one or two nights. I would want the district to pay for the vehicle and hotel rooms and the cost of my time after school and at the competition. The students and I would pay for any meals while away.

6. Planned Club Activities:

- Creating a menu for competition and costing the recipes to obtain menu prices.
- Meeting with a chef for guidance about food presentation and menu planning
- Practicing preparation of the food items chosen and reviewing presentation skills.
- If participating in the restaurant management competition, preparing a concept, a floor plan, decorating plan, menu, and marketing materials.
- Assessing, evaluating, and refining the menu as practices continue.
- Gathering equipment and ingredients and packing them carefully for transport to competition.

7. Frequency of Meetings:

Meetings will be held after school up to two times per week for 6-8 weeks prior to the competition, which is in the Twin Cities at the end of February this year.

8. Number of Students:

There are eight students in ProStart this year, but there may also be students who would like to go to the competition that weren't able to attend last year who could be asked to participate.

The competition is based on strictly volunteer participation. Teams are usually made up of 4 students, although we have taken some smaller teams in the past.

9. Outside Activities:

I do not anticipate any outside activities of this club other than possible fundraisers and then, of course, the competition.