

# COLORADO AUTOMOTIVE TEACHERS SOCIETY

## CONSTITUTION

### Article I - Name

The official name of this organization shall be "Colorado Automotive Teacher's Society" and may be referred to as CATS.

### Article II - Purposes

- Section 1: To develop leadership through active participation of its membership for all automotive programs in Colorado.
- Section 2: To unite all automotive programs in the State of Colorado in a common bond for establishing and achieving realistic vocational goals.
- Section 3: To foster an understanding of all programs in the State of Colorado through the exchange of ideas, methods, and techniques.
- Section 4: To create among its membership a sincere interest for the improvement of all automotive programs in the State of Colorado.
- Section 5: To help new teachers attain materials and methods needed in achieving their program goals.
- Section 6: To promote high standards in trade ethics, workmanship, and safety for the entire automotive industry.
- Section 7: To breed a true sense of professionalism for the CATS membership.
- Section 8: To appoint a political action committee to represent CATS and to act as a liaison to government and industry.
- Section 9: Form a committee to assist automotive programs in dealing with program certification (i.e. NATEF, Program Review, etc.)

### Article III - Organization

- Section 1: The Colorado Automotive Teacher's Society shall be affiliated with TRADE AND INDUSTRY education in the State of Colorado.
- Section 2: The administration of the association shall be vested in its officers. Officers shall be elected for a one-year term. Officers shall be members as outlined in Article IV.

### Article IV - Membership

- Section 1: Voting membership in this association shall be limited to teachers in the trade area of automotive repair in the State of Colorado. (Credentialed / Licensed by the State of Colorado)
- Section 2: There will be a non-voting membership available to anyone interested in supporting the CATS association.
- Section 3: Dues of the membership shall be \$10.00 annually by calendar year.

## **Article V - Voting**

- Section 1: CATS members shall have the right to cast one vote concerning all association business and election of officers. (Membership shall be according to article IV.)
- Section 2: A quorum shall consist of 1/3 of the voting membership. Members must be present to vote.

## **Article VI - Meetings**

- Section 1: There will be two regular meetings a year. (The first Friday in March, to coincide with the ASA Trade Show and the first Friday in October)
- Section 2: Dates, locations, and the time of the regular meeting for the fall will be determined at the previous meeting.
- Section 3: Robert's rules of order shall be accepted as final rule of matter not otherwise defined in the constitution.

## **Article VII - Officers**

- Section 1: Officers of the association shall consist of president, president-elect, secretary, treasurer, and each shall exercise the usual duties of the office to which elected.
- Section 2: The officers of the association shall be nominated and elected by ballot at the Spring Conference each year. A majority vote of the members present shall be necessary to elect.

## **Article VIII - Amendments**

- Section 1: To amend this constitution, the proposed amendment must be presented in writing by a voting member to the president at least 1 week before the next scheduled meeting. The president will present the amendment to the membership, where it must be approved by a majority vote (2/3 of the voting membership) for adoption.