HOW MUCH IS THE CHARTER FEE?

The charter/affiliation fee per school is $250.

WHAT DOES THE CHARTER FEE COVER?

- The charter fee affords every student in the school the opportunity to participate in the afterschool club meetings as a paid member. *Teachers/Coaches by school may determine or have additional measures to which students qualify to participate in club meetings and program participation.*
- The charter fee covers access to the full-time staff of the GCCE who are committed to serving schools as a resource in preparation for club/school meetings, program prep, answering any questions surrounding programs, etc.
- The charter fee covers access to password protected resources and training videos posted on our website: georgiacivics.org which is designed to set schools up for success in participation of our program offerings.
- The charter fee allows students and school participants to attend regional and state competitions at a reduced conference fee. Plus, if registration deadlines and submissions are met, it affords attendees to state level competitions complimentary program t-shirts.
- Student financial assistance is always dependent upon money our organization receives from grants and foundations, if/when money is available, we can offer need-based assistance to students seeking to attend educational programs.

HOW ARE GROUPS/SCHOOLS SUPPOSED TO COVER THIS CHARTER/AFFILIATION FEE?

There are various methods to obtaining the necessary funds for paying the charter fee. We will list a few of those below:

1) Charging a per student fee like other school clubs/teams. Ex. If your group has 25 students participating, they can each pay a $10 membership fee.
2) Some administrators assist in getting groups kicked off by covering the first years charter fees via Title I funds, ESSA funds, etc.
3) We provide local schools with a template letter to solicit a community sponsorship to cover these costs. The letters may go to a local Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club, or a local business in the community that is a great partner in education.

ARE THE CHARTERS SOMETHING NEW YOUR ORGANIZATION IS ASKING FROM SCHOOLS?

Seeking collection of charter fees or membership fees is something our organization has been doing since its founding in 1919. Not unlike other clubs or student organizations you will find in schools.

IF I HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS ABOUT THESE CHARTER FEES, WOULD CAN I CONTACT?

We are always happy to assist and answer questions of local schools. Please feel free to email us at info@georgiacivics.org, or call us at (770)455-9622. Thanks for your support! – GCCE Team