

Application for Charter

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To:  
 Dr. Hazel Frost, National Adviser  
 Future Homemakers of America  
 623 Mills Building  
 Washington 6, D. C.

We, Beverly Gordon, President, Rachel Maxey, Secretary,  
 and Minnie Lee Stoker State Adviser, officers of the Mississippi  
(state)  
 organization of pupils studying homemaking in junior and/or senior high schools, hav-  
 ing at present 175 chapters and 5,870 members, and being empowered to act  
 for this organization, do hereby make application to be chartered as an Association  
 of the Future Homemakers of America.

We are attaching to this application the following:

1. A complete list of local chapters, with statement of total membership of each.
2. A remittance to cover membership dues at date of application for charter.\*
3. A copy of the proposed constitution and by-laws.
4. A copy of the current program of work.
5. A remittance of \$5.00, to cover cost of issuing charter.

The names and addresses of our State Officers are as follows:

President Beverly Gordon Fulton, Mississippi  
(name) (address)  
 Vice President (s) Jean Onkst, Pape School, Batesville, Miss  


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 Secretary Rachel Maxey, Taylorville, Miss  
 Treasurer Jeryl Taylor, Clarkdale School, Meridian, Miss  
 Adviser Minnie Lee Stoker, M.S.C.W., Columbus, Miss

If granted a charter, we promise to comply with the national constitution and  
 by-laws of the Future Homemakers of America and to work for the success of the organ-  
 ization.

We certify that the information given in this application and attached hereto is  
 correct.

Signed: Beverly Gordon  
State President  
Minnie Lee Stoker  
State Adviser

rec'd 5.00  
 2/18/46

\* Unnecessary if dues have been sent previously.

## PROPOSED CONSTITUTION

This is the proposed constitution of the Mississippi Association of F.H.A. During the annual meeting at State College last summer the committee developed the framework for this constitution. The state executive council met on February 2 at M.S.C. and completed the constitution. It will be voted upon at the annual meeting this summer. Will you please study it carefully at one of your meetings. Make notes of changes you would like, and vote if you wish, to accept it.

A copy of this constitution is being submitted to the national office with the application for the Mississippi Association charter.

### CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

#### ARTICLE I - NAME AND PURPOSES

Section A: The name of this organization shall be the Mississippi Association of Future Homemakers of America. Members are hereinafter referred to as "Future Homemakers of America" and the letters "F.H.A." may be used to designate the chapter, its activities, or members thereof.

Section B : The Purposes:

1. To create a strong youth organization so that it is recognized throughout the state.
2. To work for good home and family life for all people.
3. To encourage a closer relationship between the organization and home, school and community.
4. To provide wholesome, individual and group recreation for all age groups.
5. To further interest all members in homemaking as a profession.
6. To develop creative leadership through democratic practices in the home, school and community living.
7. To prepare ourselves to be worthy home members.
8. To develop leadership as well as learn to follow.
9. To promote international good will.
10. To provide opportunity for development of personality and social graces.

#### ARTICLE II - ORGANIZATION

Section A: The Mississippi Association of F.H.A. is a chartered organization composed of local chapters.

Section B: The Association accepts in full the provisions in the constitution

and by-laws of the national organization of F.H.A.

Section C: Local chapters shall be established in schools offering homemaking at the junior or/and senior high school level.

Section D: Local chapters shall meet and organize, elect officers, adopt a constitution and plan a program of work and apply to the state association for membership.

#### ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section A: Membership of this organization shall be of two kinds: (1) active and (2) honorary.

Section B: Active membership - Any local chapter that affiliates with the state and national association and whose membership is made up of school pupils who are and have been enrolled in homemaking classes in the junior or senior High School is eligible for an active chapter and shall participate in local, district, and state programs.

Section C: Honorary membership - Honorary membership shall be conferred upon homemakers and other leaders in the field of homemaking or related fields who exemplify the purposes of the association and who show unusual interest in the organization.

Honorary membership shall be of two types: (1) in local chapters and (2) in state association. Honorary membership in the state association shall be limited to one a year, except for the first year which shall not exceed four. Conferring of state honorary membership shall take place at annual state meetings. Honorary membership for local chapters shall be limited to one member a year.

Section D: Local chapters shall affiliate with the state organization by sending affiliation dues, state and national, the name of the chapter, its officers and adviser, to the State Adviser of the state organization or to the person deputized to transact dues.

Section E: Active members in good standing may vote on all business matters brought before the chapter. To be in good standing active members shall:

1. Attend local chapter meetings with reasonable regularity.
2. Participate in the activities of the chapter.
3. Pay dues regularly.

#### ARTICLE IV - EMBLEM

Section A: The emblem of the Future Homemakers of America shall be the emblem of the state association and local chapters.

Section B: Emblems used by the members shall be uniform and shall be officially designated by the national organization of the Future Homemakers of America.

#### ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

Section A: The officers shall be a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, parliamentarian, historian, reporter, song leader, and an adviser.

The term of office shall be from one annual meeting to another.

Section B: The officers shall be elected from chapter members present at the state meeting and from chapters that are affiliated. Officers shall be elected by the majority votes of the house of delegates assembled at the annual meeting.

Section C: The local adviser shall be the homemaking teacher in the school and shall serve as the administrative officer for that chapter. Adults shall not vote nor hold any office except within advisory boards.

Section D: The president shall appoint a nominating committee. The committee shall submit the slate of officers to the state association at its annual meeting. This shall take place one-half day before the house of delegates assemble to elect officers.

Section E: The state adviser shall be appointed by the state supervisor from her staff and she will comply with the policies of the state and national organization. The state adviser shall be the administrative officer of the Mississippi Association of F.H.A.

Section F: The state supervisor of homemaking education shall give general guidance to the organization.

#### ARTICLE VI - EXECUTIVE COUNCILS

Section A: The officers of the Mississippi Association of F.H.A. shall constitute the state Executive Council.

Section B: The duty of the Executive Council shall be to transact necessary business for the state association.

Section C: The Executive Council of local chapter shall be composed of officers and others designated by the chapter.

#### ARTICLE VII - ADVISORY BOARDS

Section A. There shall be a Mississippi Association F.H.A. advisory board composed of:

- (1) State Supervisor of Homemaking Education
- (2) State advisor, F.H.A.
- (3) Director of Vocational Education
- (4) State Superintendent of Education,
- (5) District advisers, F.H.A.
- (6) Others designated by state supervisor and state adviser.

The advisory board shall serve in an advisory capacity to executive council on the general direction of the state organization.

Section B: Advisory board for local chapters shall be designated by the chapter.

#### ARTICLE VIII - MEETINGS AND CONVENTIONS

Section A: The Mississippi Association of the F.H.A. shall meet annually at the place and time designated by the Executive Council upon the approval of the advisory board.

Section B: The attendance at annual meetings shall consist of two voting delegates and one representative from each chapter with a membership of thirty or less. Chapters with thirty or more members shall be entitled to one

representative for each fifteen additional members.

Section C: Attendance at local, county and District Meetings shall be open to all affiliated members. Affiliated chapters shall be entitled to elect one voting delegate for each twenty members to cast the chapter's vote on important business matters.

Section D: Local chapters shall meet monthly or more often throughout the calendar year. Time and place of meeting shall be decided upon by the chapter executive council.

Section E: The order of business at meetings shall be conducted according to "Robert's Revised Rules of Orders" in the following manner:

1. Call to order by the president
2. Reading of minutes and roll call by secretary.
3. Reports of committees
4. Reports of new chapters over previous year.
5. General Business.
6. Election of officers.
7. Program
8. Adjournment.

ARTICLE IX -- Dues

Section A: The annual state and national dues of the Mississippi Association of F.H.A. shall be 20¢ per member. Dues shall be paid to person deputized to transact dues. Dues shall be paid prior to January 1. Early payment of dues entitles chapters to full benefits from state and national organization.

Section B: Dues for local chapters shall be fixed by chapter executive council subject to a majority vote of the membership of that chapter.

ARTICLE X -- AMENDMENTS

Section A: This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of chapters represented at the regular annual meeting or a called session of the Executive Council.

BY-LAWS  
ARTICLE I

Such by-laws as are necessary for the work and development of the Association and in harmony with the purposes of the organization as stated in Article I of the constitution may be adopted by the Association at any time needed when voted on by two-thirds of the members present at the meeting.

ARTICLE II

Duties of the Officers of Mississippi Association  
F.H.A.

Section A: The president, vice president and treasurer shall assume duties usually pertaining to their offices. The President, in addition to her usual duties, shall be chairman of Executive Council; shall appoint all committees with the help of the state adviser and Executive Council.

The vice president shall assume duties usually pertaining to her office, and in addition, shall serve as chairman of the program of work committee.

The secretary shall keep the minutes of the association and, in addition to her usual duties, shall serve as chairman of the membership committee.

The treasurer shall assume the duties pertaining to her office, and in addition shall serve as chairman of the Finance Committee.

### ARTICLE III

#### Duties of the Advisory Board of the Mississippi Association of F.H.A.

Section A: The general duties and responsibilities of the advisory board shall be as follows: (1) Serve in an advisory capacity to the Executive Council, (2) help determine policies, (3) Advise with state adviser on the work of the Assn. (4) help determine place and time and program for district and state meetings.

#### STATE PROGRAM OF WORK

During the annual meeting at State College last summer a committee worked on our state program of work. A copy of the national program of work reached the state in September. One copy was sent to each school immediately. At a recent meeting of the Executive Council the national program of work and the theme - "Future Homemakers of America Build for tomorrow" was adopted for the Mississippi Association of F.H.A. program for 1945-46.

The Executive Council voted to give special emphasis to the following:

1. Improve grooming and health.
2. Develop leadership ability.
3. Develop personality and manners.
4. Improve family relations.
5. Submit to state adviser an original song that is appropriate for a state song.
6. Study the proposed Mississippi Association constitution and submit changes before adopted at annual meeting.
7. Contribute to the community canning for war relief program.
8. Assist with red cross activities.
9. Learn to use correct parliamentary procedure.
10. Increase our knowledge of the state and national organization.
11. Help promote a good nutrition and health education program in the local schools and communities with special emphasis on the school lunch program.
12. Work toward the goal - an affiliated chapter in every school in Mississippi with a homemaking program.
13. Promote further study of homemaking through contributing to an F.H.A. scholarship fund.

How many chapters have already accomplished at least three or four of these goals or activities? Let's see how many we can reach and really work to make the state program of work a success. Use the national program of work as your guide.

AFFILIATED CHAPTERS AS OF FEBRUARY 14, 1946

<u>Chapters</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Chapters</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Chapters</u>	<u>Members</u>
Alcorn AHS	20	Crowder	27	Ringsgold	20
Mars Hill	31	Pascagoula	104	Kilmichael	69
Ethel	61	Bay Springs	38	Arlington	45
McAdams	16	Heidelberg	23	Dixon	28
McCool	20	Louin	36	Forest Dale	20
Sallis	25	Kossville	20	Philadelphia	34
Zama	38	Rose Hill	28	Zephyr Hill	19
Ashland	49	Stringer	18	Hickory	22
Hickory Flat	65	Union Church	33	Nowton	9
Benoit	25	Bassfield	53	Union	22
Cleveland	27	Carson	28	Lacon	33
Shelby	21	Prentiss	33	Longview	18
Fig Creek	35	Moselle	15	Maben	23
Eruce	63	Shady Grove	36	Starkville	64
Calhoun City	36	Ellisville	18	Sturgis	19
Vardaman	19	Cleveland	36	Black Jack	23
Houlka	10	DeKalb	16	Pope	47
Okolona	20	Porterville	25	Savannah	18
Woodland	34	Taylor	29	New Augusta	24
Ackerman	35	Oxford	27	Richton	48
Carmichael	56	Yocona	33	Beaumont	23
Enterprise	30	Lumberton	22	Johnston	36
Pachuta	33	Purvis	32	Magnolia	24
Quitman	40	Sumrall	34	Progress	44
Pheba	39	Clarkdale	25	Scru	37
West Point	91	Collinsville	69	Pontotoc	53
Crystal Springs	79	Lauderdale	20	Randolph	30
Hazlehurst	32	Monticello	22	Booneville	41
Union	16	Silver Creek	31	Jungertown	27
Gallman	20	Edinburg	20	Marietta	22
Collins	61	Lena	15	Pelehatchie	27
Seminary	39	Madden	31	Puckett	20
Williamsburg	14	Walnut Grove	20	Forest	25
Hernando	15	Cedar Hill	12	Lake	43
Horn Lake	35	East Tupelo	30	Harrisville	15
Petal	35	Mooreville	46	Mendenhall	36
Brooklyn	82	Shannon	22	Pinola	30
Hattiesburg High	40	Sherman	30	Mize	83
Hattiesburg Jr. Hi	71	Tupelo	20	Raleigh	15
Hattiesburg Dem. School	15	Itta Bena	23	Taylorville	28
Lucedale	85	Morgan City	29	White Oak	30
Rocky Creek	43	Schlater	16	Linn	30
Broom	16	Bogue Chitto	31	Beuna Vista	34
Gore Springs	25	Erookhaven	81	Charleston	58
Grenada	25	Enterprise	18	Ripley	25
Eyram	27	Ruth	30	Walnut	37
Jackson	24	Caledonia	24	Tishomingo	38
Forest Hill	66	New Hope	75	New Albany	40
Terry	19	Canton	54	Myrtle	35
West	18	Farmhaven	25	Lexie	22
Isola	35	Bunker Hill	41	Culkin Academy	29
Fulton	144	Columbia	15	Leland	26
Tremont	30	Hub	22	Beat Four	32
Moss Point	25	Aberdeen	18	Bucatunna	21
Cumberland	18	Becker	25	Clara	38
Anding	38	Smithville	40	Camp Ground	17
Benton	48	Noxapater	30	Coffeerville	30
		Satartia	24	Jeff-Davis	18
		Yazoo City	17	Oakland	46