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ARPA School Club:

Goal:

To "Educate, Equip and Encourage" the Reformed student base to live out their office as prophet, priest and king by shining the Light of God's Word into the public square.

Suggested Role/Activities - Engage the student base through:

- Petitions about current political and legal issues;
- EasyMail tutorials for the students (with the possibility of a dedicated ARPA Computer Corner);
- **ARPA** Information Billboard, with up-to-date information on action items, pressing issues, and political news;
- An assembly once per school year (e.g. prolife 101; human trafficking; free speech; etc.)
- Inviting a politician to speak to a class/assembly and then engage in a Q&A session;
- Coordinate a Prolife Care Centre Drive (car seats, formula, baby food, clothes, strollers, etc.)
- Create and maintain an ARPA Facebook Group;
- Review the **ARPA** Action List each month with the goal of each member completing one action item each month;
- Host a contest once per school year for the best-researched letter written to an MP or MPP and for the best researched letter published in a local newspaper.

Expectations:

- As with all ARPA groups, success will depend largely on individual initiative and interest. As much as possible, students should follow their passion and work with issues/people/events that they believe is important.
- One teacher or local ARPA leader (adult) must be at all meetings, making an effort to turn the interest and enthusiasm into practical and realistic goals. The adult should also approve each activity before it is done, and ensure that it is carried out as planned.
- Start a group and encourage as many students to join and/or participate;
- Meet at least once a month;
- Establish key roles/responsibilities and assign at least one person for each role (eg care centre drive, information display, guest speaker, letter to the editor contest).
- Encourage training for engagement in the public square (ARPA events, apologetics session, bring in someone from church who has experience in politics, pro-life 101, etc.).

Assistance:

- Phone and email help from ARPA Canada's team (see contact info at top). ARPA staff may be able to visit and speak to the ARPA Club.

- If possible, work alongside the local ARPA group (eg Hamilton ARPA or Equivalent), which can provide people, ideas, events, and encouragement.

Attitude:

Create "Youthful Energy" and use it positively, for the greater good.

Teamwork:

Create a team of young, energetic students, working together on all aspects of the Public Square and holding our public figures accountable to God's Word.

Incentive:

An annual trip, alternating between Queen's Park (or Provincial Equivalent) and or Parliament Hill, for those who are part of the club. (Fundraising by the individuals would be required).