

Chapter Starting Guide

Thank you for dedicating yourself to Growth Against Adversity and expressing commitment to aiding in education all over the world. By creating a GAA chapter, you're starting to support the learning journeys of children globally, and in your community.

Leading a Growth Against Adversity chapter means bringing our mission (growthagainstadversity.org) to your school, region, or state. With joining our international family, you're upholding what we started in a 7th grade classroom.

We hope this guide will explain the steps to create a successful chapter.

Thank you for choosing to bring new opportunities to youth in your area.

Love,

The Growth Against Adversity Team

Starting a Chapter

What is a GAA chapter?

A GAA chapter is a branch of our nonprofit that consists of a group of people striving to support students in their journey towards their dream career. Even if a chapter is small or large, it's important towards making an impact in the world. A chapter may be a school club, community group, or state-wide initiative.

Chapter Interview Application

There are two sections in the approval process. First, is submitting a chapter interview application, which will be reviewed by the executive team and decided upon. If you don't receive an email in two weeks, please don't be dismayed. It doesn't mean that you're not good at what you do: it's only because we can't take every application. Then, is the interview process, in which we will send an email regarding a certain date. On that date, you'll be joining a zoom meeting with the executive team and asked questions.

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Leadership Positions

After being approved, you'll require a leadership board of some sort. You can create positions however you see fit, from social media managers to volunteer directors. It's important that responsibilities are defined at the beginning to ensure everyone is aware of their roles. A few are important, listed below.

President: in charge of the chapter's strategic planning, oversees all other leaders and activities, communicates and updates the GAA team monthly.

Treasurer: oversees all the financial things, the club's budget and funds, keeps record and proof of all purchases.

Other positions, such as secretaries, or fundraising heads, are helpful as well.

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Requirements

Chapters should ensure they follow up with the holiday campaigns from their area. Other ideas include fundraisers, workshops for foster kids, and much more. Be sure to let the creative juices flow, and let other use what their best at (ex. engineering, writing, painting, etc) to help out fellow students that don't have opportunities.