



CHADD Chapter/Affiliate Principles

1. Just like the national office, each chapter/affiliate exists to support CHADD and its mission.
2. The legal responsibility for the overall management and policies of CHADD rests with CHADD's Board of Directors.
3. Each chapter/affiliate is legally a part of CHADD and is obligated to comply with CHADD policies and procedures.
4. It is the stated policy of CHADD that a key purpose of the national office is to support the local chapter/ affiliates to ensure their success.
5. It is a stated principle of CHADD that it recognizes that each chapter/affiliate is unique in its strengths and also in the type and amount of support needed.
6. Chapters and affiliates are run and staffed by volunteers who are "the face of CHADD" in their community.
 - a. The Board of Directors appreciates these efforts and expects that the CHADD staff treat the volunteers with the respect that they deserve and that the chapters treat the staff with the respect that they deserve.
 - b. Representing CHADD in the local community is an honor and a privilege that carries with it responsibility.
7. Each chapter/affiliate must appreciate the need for its own financial success as well as the overall financial success of CHADD.
8. Effective communication among all parties is critical and a proper understanding of roles is essential to clear communication.
 - a. The Board is responsible for CHADD's strategic direction and policies.
 - b. The national office is responsible for CHADD's operational decisions and policies.
 - c. The Chapter coordinators are responsible for the management of CHADD's chapters consistent with CHADD's policies.
 - d. CHADD's BOD committees make recommendations and provide assistance to the BOD on strategic issues and to the national office on operational issues; a BOD committee has no independent source of authority.