



Student Chapters

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Fostering Excellence in Electronics Through
Certification Since 1978

Why form a student or local chapter of ETA International?

Forming a local or student chapter of ETA International (ETA) benefits both the student technician and the field of electronics, as a whole. Chapter formation helps the educational institution overcome the impossible task of teaching a subject that has proliferated in two dimensions. The increasing complexity and expansion of hardware has left many schools struggling to cover the basic principles, eliminating time to train technicians on specific products. Chapters provide additional time for members to explore the specifics and the diversity of electronics. Chapter members develop a sense of 'belonging,' often improve their person-to-person abilities and learn to work together in an organization.

ETA's motive is to extend the benefits of our professional organization to all technicians. Establishing a chapter provides the most efficient means for our organization to reach new technicians. In addition to contributing to a worldwide network of technicians, chapters gain better access to certification programs, awards, membership, conferencing and career opportunities.

How do I form a chapter?

Students interested in forming a chapter should first consult with a faculty advisor. The advisor can then help students pool together resources, recruit members, organize and register. Many schools will budget for chapter expenses and the faculty advisor will often help with this. Technicians, not affiliated with a particular school, may also start a local chapter. The member designated as the chapter's main contact, should complete the same responsibilities listed above for faculty advisors. Chapter applications may be requested by phone or email and may also be completed online at www.eta-i.org. Elections for officers (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) may be held prior to registration, so that ETA International may officially record elected officers.

Once the application is received, chapters will be recorded and issued a laminated wall certification. Chapters will receive an ETA establishment kit containing their certificate, banner, wall clock, pens, pencils, brochures and other information regarding ETA. New chapters will be posted on our website and in ETA's bi-monthly publication of *The High Tech News*.

After receiving an establishment kit, chapters should function as an active constituent of ETA. By-laws, many of which are merely a revision of ETA's, should be created, along with meeting schedules, agendas, events, guidelines and missions. In addition, we encourage all chapters to stay current, updating ETA of any changes, events or news, which may be featured in upcoming issues of *The High Tech News* and on the ETA website.



New York City College of Technology Student Chapter #145
and Scott Bachrach, Vice Chairman of ETA

How can you become more active as a chapter?

- Notifications of changes to contact information will foster efficient communication between both ETA and chapters. In addition, those searching for information concerning local chapters will be able to access correct information on the ETA website
- With updated contact information, your chapter will be able to receive the latest newsletters and emails from our organization
- Notifications of elections, contests, new members and awards or current events may be featured on our website or bi-monthly publication of *The High Tech News*, reaching a number of electronic technicians world-wide

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