Constitution of the Jefferson Brigade

**Article 1: Name**

The name of this organization shall be the Jefferson Brigade of Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology.

**Article 2: Objectives and Activities**

Section 2.1 – General objectives of this club shall be:

1. Teach and inspire interest in computer science.
2. Perform civic service through programming.

Section 2.2 – Activities of the club shall be in accordance with its objectives. General activities shall include:

1. Lectures and study of computer science techniques and applications.
2. Work on programming projects given by members of the community.
3. Weekly sessions with other Code for America participants every Thursday from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Article 3: Officers**

Section 3.1 – Officers shall be:

1. Captain
2. Co-captain
3. Secretary

Section 3.2 – Duties of the officers include:

Captain – The captain shall organize the structure of and run meetings, as well as find projects for members to work on. The captain will also create and plan lectures and other instructional material for presentation during meetings.

Co-captain – The co-captain shall assist the captain in all manner of duties. The co-captain will represent and may be considered the captain in the captain’s absence. Both shall be open to communication and will provide help and assistance to members having trouble.

Secretary – The secretary should track the progress of members on their projects and make sure no one is stuck or provide the appropriate help to those having trouble. The secretary shall be open to communication regularly and will relay instructional material to students as well as information and times of special events or activities.

Section 3.3 – Officers shall serve for one year and may be re-elected.

**Article 4: Elections**

Officers shall be elected each spring at a regular meeting with due announcement of 60 days given. Each candidate is recommended to prepare a lecture or discuss a project they have worked on to present to the organization.

**Article 5: Meetings**

The club shall hold one meeting each week at such time and place as shall be determined by the club officers and sponsor.

**Article 6: Ramifications and Amendments**

Section 6.1 – This constitution must be ratified by 2/3 or the club membership present at a duly announced meeting.

Section 6.2 – Amendments may be made to this constitution with a 2/3 vote of the club membership present at a duly announced meeting.

Section 6.3 – Any amendments to this constitution must be proposed, in writing, at a regular meeting or a special meeting called for that purpose, at least one week before any vote thereon.

Section 6.4 – This constitution shall be valid and operative once approved by members and faculty advisor from year to year.

**Article 7: Membership**

Anyone of any grade level is welcome to join.