



STUDENT COUNCIL APPLICATION 2023-2024

Student Council is a group of highly motivated students who strive to better the school through exemplary leadership and dedication to improve our school's environment. It's a year-long commitment that requires involvement in and out of school. This includes, but is not limited to: attending ALL Student Council sponsored events, participation in a leadership portfolio, active class participation, and a good attitude. Student Council members are held to a high standard and represent Schoolhouse Preparatory inside and outside of school.

HOW TO APPLY FOR STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

1. Carefully read the information on this page and the Student Council By-Laws posted on the Schoolhouse Portal <http://schoolhouseportal.com/student-council.html>
2. Complete the Student Council Application Form. Late applications will not be accepted.
3. You will need two letters of recommendation from teachers. Please use the attached form for the recommendation.

Campaign Deadlines

October 13 th	Applications are DUE
October 16 th – November 3 rd	Campaigning Period
November 6 th	Presidential Debate and Election
November 7 th	Election Day

POSITIONS OPEN FOR CANDIDACY

EXECUTIVE BOARD – OPEN ONLY TO SENIOR CLASSMEN

These positions include President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

CLASS REPRESENTATIVE

One representative will be elected from the Freshmen, Sophomore, Junior, and Senior class. Each class will elect a student to represent them in the student council.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Student Council will meet the 2nd Thursday of Every Month in Mrs. Harripaul's classroom. Students will learn how to apply leadership skills to a variety of situations. An emphasis will be placed on learning specific life-long leadership skills such as problem solving, decision-making, parliamentary procedure, goal setting, communication, time-management, and human relations.

STUDENT COUNCIL SPONSOR

The Schoolhouse Preparatory Student Council is sponsored by Mrs. Jacqueline Harripaul. Should you have any questions, please email her at harripaul@schoolhouseprep.com.

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SCHOOLHOUSE PREPARATORY CHAPTER CAMPAIGN GUIDELINES

Congratulations on choosing to run for an officer position. The campaign guidelines will be explained to the potential officer candidates at an informational meeting. Candidates will be allowed to put up campaign posters, pass out flyers, and they will video tape a one-minute speech to be aired on SPN and on the Schoolhouse Portal. The campaign will last 3 weeks.

VIDEO CAMPAIGN

- Video recording for speeches from President and Vice President candidates – Maximum 1 minutes each
- Video recording for speeches from Secretary and Treasurer candidates – Maximum one minute each
- Video recording for speeches from Class Representative Candidates – Maximum 30 seconds each
- The candidate will introduce himself/herself during the recording.
- Video Campaign will run on the Portal and school's social media

POSTER CAMPAIGN

CANDIDATES MUST SUBMIT:

- a maximum of 3 Standard large Poster Boards must be turned in to Mrs. Harripaul for approval.
- Candidates are responsible for hanging their posters. Areas for poster campaign include all hallways on the first and second floor of the school as well as the student locker area.
- Posters cannot be posted on the outside walls of the building.

CAMPAIGN DO'S AND DON'TS

- **Do** hand out bookmarks, flyers, stickers, buttons, candy, and cookies.
- **Do** create a catchy phrase associated with your name to help students remember you.
- **Do** smile and talk to people honestly.
- **Do** speak to other students and tell them your campaign platform
- **Don't** make promises that cannot be fulfilled
- **Don't** offer money in exchange for votes



2023-2024 STUDENT COUNCIL APPLICATION



Name: _____

Circle Grade Level: 8th Grade Freshmen Sophomore Junior Senior

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

CIRCLE THE POSITION NOMINATING YOURSELF FOR:

A. Executive Board open to Juniors and Seniors Only:

President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer

B. Class Representative: Open to all grade levels. Executive Board Members are not allowed to serve as student council representatives.

8th Grade Freshmen Sophomore Junior Senior

ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER. ATTACH YOUR ANSWERS TO THIS APPLICATION FORM. RESPONSES MUST BE TYPED IN TIMES NEW ROMAN 12PT FONT AND DOUBLE SPACED.

1. Why do you want to be a member of Schoolhouse Preparatory Student Council?
2. What leadership qualities will you bring to Student Council?
3. Student Council members meets once a month and might also need to attend some evening and weekend activities. Are you willing to set aside additional time for Student Council? Explain why this commitment is important.

THIS SECTION IS TO BE COMPLETED ONLY BY CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Select and answer **ONE** of the following questions and answer them on a separate sheet of paper. Limit your response to a maximum of 2 paragraphs.

- A) Explain a time when you faced a challenge or obstacle in your life, how you were able to overcome it, and how this challenge helped you become a stronger person.
- B) If you could be a Super Hero, who would you like to be and why?
- C) If you were elected President of the United States, what would be ONE thing you would change in this country?

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STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I _____ have read the information and By-Laws concerning holding an office in Student Council. I understand that Student Council will meet the 2nd Thursday of every month. I further understand that as a student of Schoolhouse Preparatory, behavior that is not in keeping with the standards of responsibility and leadership expected of Council members such as disrespect toward staff at Schoolhouse Preparatory or any action which violates the rules and/or regulations of the Student Handbook can be grounds for removal from Student Council.

Student Signature _____

Date Submitted: _____



Teacher Recommendation Form
Schoolhouse Preparatory Student Council
Teacher Recommendation is Due on October 13th



Please complete the following questions about this student who has applied for nomination to the Schoolhouse Preparatory Student Council. Return form directly to Mrs. Harripaul.

Student's Name: _____

Teacher Name: _____

Do you feel this person would be a responsible member of Schoolhouse Prep's Student Council? Why?
What leadership qualities does this student possess?

Please rate the student's abilities on the following scale:
 1= poor 2= below average 3= average 4= above average 5= excellent N/A = no knowledge

Abilities	1	2	3	4	5	N/A
Follow through						
Communication skills						
Works well with others						
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