Northern Guilford High School Student Council

Certificate of Candidacy (Date Received\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_) – Due – September 23, 2022

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Student E-mail:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student Phone:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Student Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Check the position for which you will campaign:

~~\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Student Body President \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Student Body Vice President \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Student Body~~ Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade-Level President \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade-level Vice President

Each of the positions requires certain traits to be carried out to the full potential. Each candidate also brings a skill set that pairs with the desired position. Read the requirements for each position on the following page, then from the list of traits, select one characteristic that you feel is the quality you possess and is most important to the position you are campaigning for. Explain how the trait is connected to the position. This statement should be at least 100 words.

**Traits: dependability, leadership, cooperation, attitude, organization, trustworthiness, communication, creativity, flexibility**

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Adviser Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Administrator Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Mission Statement: The Northern Guilford High School Student Council represents, unifies and guides the diverse student body through service and social activities to encourage Nighthawk community spirit and pride.**

This year, in addition to a video of 1-2 minutes in length you will create a campaign flyer (8 ½ x 11) and e-mail it to Mrs. Baer. She will print them for you so you can distribute them to your grade-level~~. If you are running for an executive office, you will have enough flyers to distribute to the entire student body.~~ It will be your job to actively campaign during lunch, between classes, or before and after school. Your flyer should include the position you are running for, your qualifications, and should be creative. See the last page of this document for suggestions. Because candidates are elected on their own merit, students will conduct individual campaigns.

**E-mail your flyer to Mrs. Baer (Room 179) by September 23rd and the Certificate of Candidacy, video & Endorsement Signatures to Mrs. Baer by September 23rd**

**All officers, representatives and members will embrace the following:**

* Commitment to the organization that supports school spirit, service and unity
* Commitment to the student body to encourage membership that reflects the diversity of the school
* Commitment to creating a positive experience for membership and the student body
* Commitment to attendance and membership
* Commitment to create and support leadership opportunities for all members of the organization
* Commitment to support all grade-levels in with their special projects
* Commitment to collaborate with student council advisers
* Commitment to attend meetings on a regular basis and distribute information to the student body to guarantee success of programs

**Voting will take place September 26-30 (links will be on your English Canvas page)**.

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| **Position** | **Years of membership**(will be verified) | **Grade Level** | **Additional Notes** |
|  Student Body President | 2 years | \*12 | \*Can be a junior as long as there are two years of service to the club. |
| Student Body Vice-President | 1 year | 11/12 |  |
| Student Council Secretary | 1 year | 10/11/12 |  |

**ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

**Student Body President** (Elected by the entire student body)

* Prepare an agenda by Thursday for each meeting
* Run the general meeting according to parliamentary procedure
* Support leadership opportunities for all members of the organization

S**tudent Body Vice-President** (Elected by the entire student body)

* Run meetings when the president is not present
* Assist the secretary and adviser with attendance at general meetings
* Verify funds when necessary

**Student Body Secretary** (Elected by the entire student body)

* Take notes at general meeting
* E-mail meeting notes to the adviser to post for public access
* Update the Student Council Instagram account with eye-catching and informative posts.

**ELECTED GRADE-LEVEL OFFICERS**

**Class President** & **Class Vice-President** (Elected by the corresponding grade-level students)

* Preside over any meeting necessary to complete the grade-level special project
* Collaborate with adviser to coordinate grade level special project
* Delegate duties for committees
* Support the student body by bringing relevant information to the general meetings that allow the council to support the Mission Statement.

Signatures of Endorsement – 30 signatures of endorsement are needed for you to run for the position you desire. Grade level signatures are needed from your grade level. If you are running for an Executive Board Position, you can acquire signatures from any grade level. Verification of signatures against a whole-school roster will take place prior to September 26th.

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Here are a couple of suggestions for your campaign video – the length should be 1-2 minutes.

* Your contributions to student council and/or the Nighthawk community in the past year.
* Explain which position you are applying for and why you are qualified for that position.
* Share your greatest strength and explain how student council will benefit from it.
* If you have a motto for your campaign, include that.
* Be creative so that your personality shines through.