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2025-2026 Student Council Application

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Introduction:

Student Council members are representatives of the student body. Because of this, they must be prepared to work for the good of all. An officer should be a strong student leader, one who idealizes the success of the school's goals and those of the community. As mature, enthusiastic leaders, they serve as role models for fellow students and for Satsuma High School at all times.

Criteria to Join:

In order to be eligible to serve on Student Council, you must meet the following requirements:

- Have a 2.5 overall grade point average-weighted-not rounded.
- Have zero (0) Out-of-School Suspensions and no more than one (1) In-School-Suspension during the current school year.
- Have not been removed from student council or class office any previous year.
- Have no excessive absences or tardies during the previous school year. No more than 6 absences in a given class period per semester. Field Trip, Doctor's Notes, and absences coded as "other" will not count towards this total.
- Have been a student at Satsuma High School for current school year.
- Each applicant will be listed on a Google Form for teacher evaluations. Candidates with more than two negative recommendations will be ineligible for office.
- A student cannot hold dual position as both a class officer and a student council officer
- Return this form to Mrs. Crisler in room 428 by 2:50 PM on April 22nd.

Rules and Procedures:

The Student Council of Satsuma High School requires that students meet certain expectations in order to be involved. We are the voice of the school, and we understand that students look to us for examples of good role models. Each student council member has the responsibility of adhering to the following rules:

- Members must follow the Code of Conduct set forth by school officials.
- Members must maintain appropriate conduct within the classroom and positive school spirit at all school events.
- Members must treat all other members and their ideas with respect.
- Officers must communicate directly with the student council sponsor.
- Members must not receive discipline referrals for behavior. (See disciplinary procedures below.)
- All student council members must actively participate in meetings, events, and activities.
- Members will NOT have more than <u>TWO excused absences</u> per year from meetings, events, and activities.
- All student council members must remain in good academic standing throughout the school year with no lower than a C average in each subject.

Disciplinary Procedures:

Failure to abide by the expectations outlined above can result in the following:

- Verbal warning by student council advisor(s) and administration.
- Probation and/or suspension from student council/office for an amount of time as determined by student council advisor(s) and administration.
- Removal from student council/office
- Ineligibility to run for office the following year.
 *Administration and student council advisor(s) reserve the right to modify consequences based on individual student needs and/or severity of the offense.

Organization Requirements:

Participation in all student council activities is mandatory. Missing any Student Council activities without an excused absence will result in removal from student council.

Offices and Description:

<u>PRESIDENT</u>: The student council president (SENIOR only) runs council meetings. He/She may also represent the student body or individual class in meetings with school administration, school board officials, and/or city council members. The president is also responsible for giving support to the sponsor during events, fundraisers, etc.

<u>VICE PRESIDENT</u>: The vice president (JUNIOR ONLY) assists the president in many duties and also stands in for the president when necessary.

<u>SECRETARY</u>: The secretary (Anyone grades 11-12) keeps accurate records of meetings and student activities, programs, and sessions. He/She is also in charge of correspondence on behalf of the student council and student body or the individual class.

<u>TREASURER</u>: The treasurer (Anyone grades 11-12) keeps track of funds raised by student council or the individual class. This student should be good with numbers and be interested in or have experience with bookkeeping or accounting.

AFTER READING THE ABOVE OFFICE DESCRIPTIONS:

- Complete the application
- Return it to the Student Council sponsor by the date listed on the application.
- Prepare a speech for your position. The speech must be professional, mature, and explain why you would be a good candidate for the office you are running. Be sure to review the descriptions of each office and the responsibilities prior to writing your speech. The speech must be prerecorded in a video format and emailed to Mrs. Marie Anderson by Monday, May 5th by 2:50 PM or your name will be removed from the ballot. You must reserve a time slot with Mrs. Miller if you plan to use the school media equipment to film your speech. Please have someone else view your speech to make sure that you are easily understood. (If you have technical difficulties email Mrs. M. Anderson PRIOR to 2:50 PM on May 5th.)

Timeline for elections:

- 1. Applications available for students April 10th
- 2. Applications due to Mrs. Crisler by Tuesday, April 22nd by 2:50 PM.
- 3. Videos submitted no later than Monday, May 5th at 2:50 PM.
- 4. Voting will take place Tuesday, May 13th.

IF a candidate is NOT eligible for office, that candidate will be informed through their school email by April 30th.

Student Council Application	
NAME:	
CURRENT GRADE LEVEL:	GPA:
ADDRESS:	
CITY:	ZIP CODE:
HOME PHONE NUMBER:	
YOUR CELL NUMBER:	
YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS:	
PARENT'S NAME:	
YOUR PARENT OR GUARDIAN'S CEI	LL NUMBER:
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In your own words, explain the importance of student council to the school, the students, and the community overall.

Describe three qualities or skills you possess that would be beneficial to your role in the student council:

List all extracurricular activities (clubs/sports) in which you plan to participate this upcoming year:

List/explain any activities and/or community service projects that you would like to see student council initiate in the future.

List any conflicts that may hinder your abilities to uphold your commitment to student council if selected to be an ambassador or officer.

I, ______, understand that as a member of the student council and a leader of Satsuma High School, I must set a good example for my peers. I will abide by all school rules and policies set forth in the Satsuma City Schools Code of Conduct, as well as those set by the student council. I understand that I must maintain a good attendance record to school and to all student council events.

PLEASE INITIAL EACH OF THE FOLLOWING:

_____ I have read the eligibility requirements, rules, and discipline procedures listed in this packet and agree to adhere to all. I understand that failure to follow the rules and policies set by SHS may result in my dismissal from the student council.

_____If I am selected to participate as a student council ambassador or elected as an officer, I understand that I am expected to participate in the planning and implementing of student council activities and service projects, which in most cases occur before or after school hours, on the weekends, and even during the summer. I also understand that I must provide transportation to and from all meetings and activities. Thus, I accept all of these responsibilities.

_____ I pledge to strive to the best of my ability to adhere to the standards and expectations set forth by the student council.

Choose <u>ONE</u> position that interests you. Once you have turned in your form, you MAY NOT CHANGE and reapply to run for another office. Please circle the position that you are seeking:

Offices:

I,

PRESIDENT (rising seniors)

VICE-PRESIDENT (rising juniors)

SECRETARY

TREASURER

Please explain below why you think that you would be a good candidate for the above position:

, have read and agree to abide by the

requirements listed above. I understand that if I do not comply with these requirements, I may lose my officer position.

Student's signature:_____

Parent's signature: _