

STUDENT COUNCIL

Rules, Guidelines, and Procedures for Bethel High School Student Council

Membership:

Members of the student council include the three elected student council officers (President, Vice-President and Secretary/Treasurer) and each of the elected class officers.

Qualifications for Office:

1. Any student interested in being a member of student council must meet the following requirements:
2. Students must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better.
3. Students must remain in good standing in the school and community. No student will be permitted to run for office who has been in ISS or has been suspended during the previous school year.
4. Student Council officers must be classified as a senior.

Election Procedures:

Student Council and class officer elections will be supervised by the- three outgoing senior student council officers. Elections will be by secret ballot. Student Council officers will be elected by a simple majority vote of the entire student body. Class officers be elected by a simple majority vote of their respective class members. Candidates for office must follow the guidelines listed below:

1. All candidates must meet the above qualifications for office.
2. Candidates must turn in a completed nominating petition which will include:
 - a) For student council officer: 25 signatures, 5 teacher signatures, and the Principal's signature.
 - b) For class office: 15 signatures, 3 teacher signatures, and the Principal's signature.
3. Candidates will be interviewed by a six-person committee consisting of: three outgoing senior student council officers, the principal, and two teachers. This committee will then either recommend the candidate or not recommend the candidate to run for office. Recommendations will be made on the basis of the above-mentioned criteria and also on the candidate's dedication, leadership, and character.
4. All candidates which, are recommended to run for office will be allowed to campaign by displaying posters, handing out flyers, etc. (all of which must be approved prior to campaigning). It will be the candidate's responsibility remove and/or clean up all campaign materials immediately following the election.

Duties of Student Council and Class Officers:

The student council is responsible for overseeing all activities which involve the student body as a whole entire student council (three senior officers and class officers) must work to insure that these responsibilities are fulfilled in a timely and organized way. These activities include, but are not limited to:

1. Elections (Officers only)
2. Homecoming Activities
 - a) Spirit week activities
 - b) Assembly
 - c) Dances (Set up AND clean up)
3. Service Projects
 - a) Food drive
 - b) Teacher Appreciation Week
4. Fund-raising
5. Student Council Meetings

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In addition to their duties as a member of the student council, class officers must insure that the responsibilities of their respective class are fulfilled as well. These responsibilities may include, but are not limited to:

1. Fund-raising
2. Class Events
 - a) Prom (Junior Class)
 - b) Graduation Ceremony (Senior Class)
3. Class and/or Class Officer Meetings

Removal From Office:

If an officer fails to perform the above mentioned duties to the satisfaction of the sponsor, he/she will not be eligible for re-election. If the neglect of duty is extreme, as determined by the sponsor, the officers, and/or the principal, the officer shall be immediately removed from office. In the event of a vacant seat on the student council, the sponsor, the other officers, and the principal shall appoint an officer to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the school year.