

■ Application (2024-2025)

# STUDENT COUNCIL



MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND SJ23 AN EVEN MORE FUN PLACE TO BE!

## WHO CAN PARTICIATE?

The SJ23 Student Council will consist of 6th, 7th or 8th Grade students. Officers will be elected during the month of September for the 2024-2025 School Year:

o **PRESIDENT** – The President oversees the student council, along with the Student Council Sponsors, Mrs. Burkhalter and Mrs. Brewster. This is a student who has the ability to lead, can work well with others, and possesses great organizational skills. The President is responsible for planning for goals, activities and projects. He/She will work with the Sponsors to create meeting agendas and lead each meeting. He/She will represent SJ23 and Student Council at events as necessary. *\*8th Grade position only*

o **VICE PRESIDENT** – The Vice President is a student who is responsible, organized and has good time management skills. The Vice President will assume responsibilities when the President is absent, and become President the following school year. He/She will collaborate with the President and the Sponsors in the planning of goals, activities and projects. *\*7th Grade position only*

o **SECRETARY** – The Secretary is a student that has exceptional note-taking and organization skills. This position is responsible for taking accurate notes (minutes) at each meeting and reporting those minutes to the Student Council before, during or after the meetings, as necessary.

o **ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR** – The Activities Director is a student who has good planning and organization skills. The Activities Director will coordinate projects and events throughout the school year. This person should be creative, positive and be able to think outside of the box.

o **SPIRIT DIRECTOR** – The Spirit Director is a student that is enthusiastic, has a positive attitude, and shows a regular presence at school events. They will lead spirit days, pep rallies, and other spirit activities as necessary.

o **GRADE LEVEL REPRESENTATIVES** – 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade

## QUALITIES NECESSARY FOR ANY MEMBER ON STUDENT COUNCIL INCLUDE:

o **Leadership Skills** – Are you willing to lead committees and be a representative for your class?

o **Creative** – Are you able to think of new and exciting activities and fundraisers for SJ23?

o **Communicative** – Are you able to share ideas with other Student Council members, your class and all of Middle School?

o **Team player** – Are you willing to work as a team to generate ideas and organize events for the Student Council?

o **Responsibility** – Are you responsible and reliable for running activities throughout the school year?

o **Commitment** – Are you committed to attending meetings, events and making SJ23 the best school it can be?

\*This is a year-long Club. If you commit to being an Officer, you will be expected to participate in all meetings for the remainder of the year. This can include meetings before and after school, lunch meetings, community service events and school activities.

\*All Student Council Members should not be absent (excused or unexcused) more than five days per trimester.

## When & Where Does Student Council Meet?

During the school year, we will have meetings scheduled on a weekly basis during Lunch/Recess in the STEAM Lab.

## APPLICATION TIMELINE & ELECTION WEEK INFORMATION

1. Application for Student Council is due on Monday, September 9th at 3:45 PM.

2. NO Applications will be accepted after the deadline.

### 3. ELECTION WEEK:

a. Monday, September 9 – Wednesday, September 11 – CAMPAIGNING.

b. Students may create one poster to hang in the Middle School hallway.

c. Thursday, September 12 – ELECTION VOTING. Voting will take place during the Middle School Lunch in the Cafeteria.

d. Friday, September 13 – ELECTION RESULTS will be announced during the morning announcements.

e. \*Election results are a combined score of number of votes received, points awarded to each question on the application.

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## STUDENT COUNCIL PERMISSION SLIP

Dear Parents or Guardians,

Your student is interested in running for a Student Council Officer position. During our meeting times, students will plan and prepare for school events throughout the school year. At times, your child may be asked to attend additional school meetings or activities as well. We will inform you of these events as they arise. Students interested in Student Council should consider the following guidelines and rules:

### Student Council Representative Responsibilities

1. Attend ALL scheduled meetings. Five (excused or unexcused) absences will result in dismissal from the Council.
2. Act responsibly at all meetings and activities/events and as a leader at SJ23.
3. Be On-Track for attendance, academics, and behavior.
4. Solicit input from your grade level team. You are THEIR representative.
5. Attend all committee meetings and perform all assigned responsibilities at activities/events.

I give permission for \_\_\_\_\_ to campaign for Student Council. I have read and understand the rules and guidelines for Student Council Officers.

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Student Name	<input type="text"/>
Parent Name	<input type="text"/>
Parent Signature	<input type="text"/>

### Emergency Contact :

First Name	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Last Name	<input type="text"/>	Phone Number



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**Directions:**

Please answer the following questions utilizing your best writing and thinking skills. Give the questions serious thought before answering. You may use the back of this sheet to finish answers or you may use a separate sheet of paper.

GRADE LEVEL

6th Grade

7th Grade

8th Grade

Name

Officer Position Running For

President  
(8th Grade Only)

Secretary

Spirit Director

7th Grade Representative

Student Council Member

Vice-President  
(7th Grade Only)

Activities Director

6th Grade Representative

8th Grade Representative

Tell about yourself! What type of leadership experiences have you had both in school and in the community?

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If you could make one improvement or plan one activity at SJ23, what would it be and why?

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## APPLICATION & STUDENT COUNCIL COMMITMENT:

1. I will attend ALL scheduled meetings.
2. I will act responsibly at all meetings and activities/events and as a leader at SJ23.
3. I will remain on-track for attendance, academics, and behavior.
4. I will solicit input from my Grade Level.
5. I will perform all assigned responsibilities at activities/events.

Yes

No

Yes

No

Yes

No

Yes

No

Yes

No