

# SCES Student Council Teacher Information Tracks 1, 2 & 4

## Tuesday 7/28 – Friday 7/31: Share a little bit about student council with your class!

- We are a group of student-leaders who strive to make an impact on our school and community! We meet monthly and work on service projects. This year we're planning to facilitate two school-wide projects (including a food drive) and several smaller projects.
- Distribute applications to students on Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. Send home in Friday Folders! Completed student applications are due back to classroom teachers on Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Student council members ALWAYS CHOMP! They are leaders in the school and in their classrooms.

*\*Note to teachers: Students may need permission during morning arrival to visit previous classroom teachers for their recommendation signatures. This is part of the application.*

## Friday, August 7<sup>th</sup>: Student Council Applications Due

- Collect applications in class. Remind students they will not receive applications back, so they'll need to keep another copy of their essay if they plan to use it as a speech.
- Please turn in all applications to Mrs. Shank's box by 4:00 PM. Or, just send them with a student to my classroom!
- **VERY IMPORTANT** → 😊 While you are **not responsible for reviewing applications**, we do appreciate the knowledge you have of students in your classroom. Please send me an e-mail if you are concerned about any of your applicants. It'd be great to end up with a group of students that are responsible and committed, and we trust your direction in leading us to great candidates. It is much easier to resolve any applicant-issues prior to election day.

## Monday, 8/10-Friday, 8/14 : Classroom Student Council Elections

- Choose one day between 8/10 and 8/14 to hold class elections. Procedures for the election:
  - We've decided **not to allow campaigning** (posters, signs, stickers, etc.) in order to make the election fair for all students.
  - **Speeches:** Student can use their application essay as their speech, or come up with something more creative. This year, students are allowed to use props. They may use note cards or read from a piece of paper. (Not necessary for speeches to be memorized.)
  - Each candidate should be given 2 minutes to speak in front of the class.
  - Allow each class member 1 vote. Collect the votes -- majority wins the election. If there is a tie, hold a run-off election between the tie-holders. If you'd like, you may allow tie-holders to speak for an additional minute in front of the class.
  - E-mail winning class representatives to [mshank@wcpss.net](mailto:mshank@wcpss.net)
  - You're done! Thanks so much for your help 😊.