



Frontier Middle School

Student Council Election Application

2018-2019

Dear Student,

Thank you for your interest in Student Council at Frontier Middle School! We are excited to see what the year will bring and hope to make it a memorable year for everyone. As a nominee, you need to understand that, if elected for next year's council, you will be required to donate hours before, during and after school. We are looking for someone who is very dedicated. Be aware that as a member of Student Council, **you will be expected to be an example of the Mustang Way to your peers.**

Attached are the papers you need to complete and **hand in to Ms. Bonifay by March 30th**. Teacher Recommendation forms need to be given to your teachers promptly. When we have received all of the required papers, you will be informed of your time for an interview. Please check the following policies to see if you are eligible to run in the election.

- Students must be passing all classes to become and stay a member of Student Council
- Students who have been suspended or had school disciplinary action taken against them must meet with advisor and an administrator to determine eligibility.
- Adhere to all Alpine School District policies.
- Receive positive teacher recommendations.

Failure to comply with these policies may lead to dismissal from Student Council or Student Council Elections. Again, thanks for your interest and we hope you will seriously consider running for Student Council.

-Student Council Advisor

TO APPLY:

The following items must be completed & turned in to Ms. Bonifay (Rm. F129) on or before **March 30th**.

If you are running for an Officer or Director Position, Ms. Bonifay needs to know by MARCH 23rd!

1. Application (Signed by Student & Guardian)
2. Leadership Questions (Completed)
3. Teacher Evaluation Forms given to 2 Teachers
(They will fill them out and return them for you!)

OFFICER POSITIONS:

Please read the descriptions below to understand a little more about our Officer positions available.

President – The President of Student Council’s responsibility is to lead the council, and direct all meetings. They are the spokesperson of the council to the Administration and Student Body of Frontier. The President will oversee the Director of Activities & their Committee and will report directly to the Advisor.

Vice President - The Vice President of Student Council assists the President in the responsibility of leading the council, and directing meetings. They are a spokesperson of the council to the Administration and Student Body of Frontier. The Vice President will oversee the Director of Student Involvement & their Committee and will report directly to the Advisor.

Secretary – The Secretary of Student Council is responsible to write and keep meeting minutes, and create an organized record of the council’s progress and important information. They are integral in creating open communication across the council. The Secretary will oversee the Director of Communications & their Committee and will report directly to the Advisor.

Historian – The Historian of Student Council collects and keeps data from previous and current years to better plan our future at Frontier. They also create a lasting record of their current year’s activities, council, and student body. The Historian will oversee the Artistic Director and their Committee and will report directly to the Advisor.

DIRECTOR POSITIONS:

Please read the descriptions below to understand a little more about our Director positions available.

Director of Activities – The Director of Activities will oversee the Activities Committee as they plan student-wide events and activities. They will be responsible for collecting and keeping all information regarding Activities. They are the spokesperson for the Committee and will report directly to the President.

Director of Communications – The Director of Communications will oversee the Communications Committee as they work to inform all students of upcoming events. They will be responsible for collecting and keeping all information regarding Communications. They are the spokesperson for the Committee and will report directly to the Vice President.

Director of Student Involvement - The Director of Student Involvement will oversee the Student Involvement Committee as they serve the needs of the students at Frontier. They will be responsible for collecting and keeping all information regarding Student Involvement. They are the spokesperson for the Committee and will report directly to the Secretary.

Artistic Director - The Artistic Director will oversee the Artistic Committee as they design artwork to represent the Council or any activities. They will be responsible for collecting and keeping all information regarding Artistic. They are the spokesperson for the Committee and will report directly to the Historian.

ELECTION TIMELINE:

Friday, March 23rd: Officer & Director Candidate Meeting during Flex

(Make sure Ms. Bonifay knows you intend to run by this date!)

Friday, March 30th: Packets due to Ms. Bonifay (Room F129)

Tuesday, April 10th: Class Officers Interviews during Flex

Wednesday & Thursday, April 11th & 12th – Class Directors Interviews during Flex

Monday, April 16th - Wednesday April 25th: Officers & Directors Campaign

Wednesday & Thursday April 25th & 26th: CLASS OFFICER ELECTION DAYS

Friday, April 27th: Full Student Council meeting during Flex

OFFICER & DIRECTOR ELECTION RULES:

(If you are running only for Representative, you do NOT campaign)

- All candidates must run clean, positive campaigns. Any degrading comments, signs, or actions towards other candidates or the student body of FMS in general, will result in being removed from the ballot.
- Candidates are allowed three billboards (defined as posters, t-shirts, or other items worn by the candidates or displaying the candidate's name). Posters are limited to standard poster board size and may be hung in the commons at school. You may only hang posters on the brick walls. Do NOT use packing tape or duct tape on the painted walls or windows. Items worn by the candidates must follow school dress code guidelines.
- Handouts may be distributed to the student body during the election process. Handouts may NOT include stickers, gum, candy, or other food items. Handouts may not be used as bribes. (example of a bribe: "I will give you this button, if you vote for me")
- Total campaign expenditures must NOT exceed \$30. This includes the retail value of materials purchased and/or donated for posters or handouts. Ms. Bonifay reserves the right to ask for receipts.

IMPORTANT DATES:

May 2nd: NEW Student Council members notified

May 9th: After-school welcome meeting 3:00-4:00pm (Room F129)

May 16th: After-school meeting 3:00-4:00pm (Room F129)

June 2nd: Pony Express Parade at 8:30AM!

August 13th & 14th: Student Council Retreat, Team Building & Planning Days

August 17th: 7th Grade Day! Everyone at school to help 7th Graders tour school

August 20th: School starts! Everyone at school at 7:45AM to welcome students

APPLICATION:

Full Name: _____ (as you would like it to appear on the ballot)

Please indicate which position(s) you would like to run for (only choose one from each line):

President _____ Vice President _____ Secretary _____ Historian _____

Dir. Communications _____ Dir. Activities _____ Dir. Student Involvement _____ Artistic Dir. _____

Representative _____

Current Lunch Schedule: A Day 1 2 B Day 1 2

Current GPA _____ Overall GPA _____

Email Address: _____ Parent Email _____

Home Phone: _____

CURRENT CLASS SCHEDULE			
PERIOD	TEACHER	CLASS	ROOM #
A1			
A2			
A3			
A4			
B5			
B6			
B7			
B8			

List previous leadership experiences:

List all activities in which you are currently involved:

List all experience you have had with service:

I have fully read all pages of this packet. I understand the time commitment and I'm fully willing to dedicate myself for the 2018-2019 school year as a Student Council member.

Candidate Signature _____ Date _____

I understand and support my child's decision to apply for a Student Council position.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

LEADERSHIP QUESTIONS:

Please answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. Describe an experience when you were a leader. What was that like?

2. What does being a good leader mean to you?

3. Please describe three qualities or talents you would bring to our student council and how that would benefit Frontier?

4. Give 3 specific examples of how Frontier's Student Council can encourage the entire school to live the Mustang Way? (Think about the attributes of MUSTANG: Mastery, Unity, Spirit, Tenacity, Accountability, Nice, and Gratitude.)

TEACHER'S NAME _____

STUDENT'S NAME _____

This student is applying for FMS Student Council. Please evaluate the student on the following leadership qualities based on your experience with them. **Do not give this form back to your student!** You can send it to my room with a TA or put this form in my box. Thanks! –Julie Bonifay

	Yes!	Mostly	Sometimes...	No.
This student is an example of Honesty & Integrity.				
This student is Dependable & Responsible.				
This student works well with peers & teachers.				
This student is able to manage stress & works well under pressure.				
This student has a positive attitude.				
This student is respectful of adults.				
This student represents the Mustang Way.				

Is there any addition information you'd like us to know about this student?

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