

CLASS OF 2019 ELECTION PACKET

READ THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CAREFULLY AND BE SURE TO ADHERE TO ALL REGULATIONS.

1. Review the attached student election procedures to be sure that you are qualified to run for office.
2. Petitions must be signed by 50 students and contain the student's homeroom. Only current *Sophomore* students can sign the petition.
3. Be sure to complete the Assistant Principal/Teacher form along with the parent signature form.
4. The speech must be typed and presented in FINAL form. Remember that you are not to deviate from your approved speech.
5. You must bring your own copy of your speech to read the day of election.
6. You must attend designated meetings prior to the election.
7. Failure to fulfill the necessary requirements will lead to the disqualification of the candidate.

Dates To Remember:

May 22 Typed speech, petition, and signature sheets due in the hands of the class advisors by the end of Period 9

Mrs. Damiani-Heller - Room 149

Mrs. Vanatta – Room 145

May 23 Meet, after school, with advisors to review speeches in Room 149

May 25 Period 2: Speech presentations and elections

Class Advisors: Mrs. Damiani-Heller and Mrs. Vanatta

PETITION FOR CLASS OFFICE

RUNNING FOR POSITION OF: _____

NAME: _____

HOMEROOM TEACHER: _____

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Candidate and Parent Signature Form

I, _____, have read the Student Council Constitution and the requirements for all candidates running for the position of Class Officer. I understand that if elected, I must fulfill all requirements of the Office as they are written in the Student Council Constitution

Signature: _____

Please Print Name: _____

Candidate for: _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Please Print Name: _____

Candidate's Name: _____

Position Running For: _____

The appropriate Assistant Principal and FIVE (5) teacher's signatures are required for any student to run for a student council position. Be sure to have all six signatures on time and hand in this foam with the student signature sheet.

By signing below, I am stating that the candidate named above would be a responsible member of the Executive Student Council.

Assistant Principal's Signature: _____

Teacher's Signature: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

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Wayne Valley High School

Student Council Revised Constitution

December 5, 2005

Preamble

As students of Wayne Valley High School and citizens of the State of New Jersey and the United States of America, we recognize the importance of promoting, at all levels, the fundamental principles of democracy and representative government. We also recognize the purpose of the Student Council as a voice of the students. Therefore, in order to further enhance these ideals and streamline the machinery of government, we do hereby enact this Constitution of the Wayne Valley High School Student Council.

Article I Rights and Privileges

Section I Rights

1. All students in attendance the day of elections have the right to vote in elections for their respective class officers and for the executive officers of the Council.
2. All students have the rights granted to them by the State of New Jersey.

Section II Privileges

1. All students have the privileges given to them by the school administration and understand that the administration may revoke these privileges in case of abuse by students.
2. The Student Council will act as procurer and the protector of these privileges.

Article II Organization and Election

Section I The Executive Committee

1. An executive committee will exercise the executive and judicial powers of the Council.
2. This executive committee shall consist of a President, elected from the incoming Senior or Junior Classes; a Vice-President, elected from the incoming Senior or Junior Classes and a Treasurer and a Secretary who may be elected from the incoming Senior, Junior or Sophomore Classes. Elections will take place in May or June of the year previous to their office terms.
3. Up to three (3) additional at-large executive representatives may be appointed by the advisor(s) and the principal with the executive council's approval. At least one (1) representative must be from the Senior class and at least one (1) from the Junior class.

3. Any unusual executive action involving the purchase, loan, or allocation of a sum greater than \$1,000.00 must first be approved by a majority of the Representative Congress.
4. The Representative Congress shall have the power to initiate legislation through its own initiative.
5. Members of the Representative Congress will have first consideration to committee seats determined by the executive committee.

Section IV Representation

1. Each class officer is responsible to represent the members of his class, and the executive officers are to represent the student body as a whole.
2. Each member of the Representative Congress has the responsibility to be in attendance at all meetings except for excused absence due to illness or emergency situation which will be determined at the discretion of the executive president or executive advisor(s).
3. Any member of the Representative Congress who is absent in excess of two (2) times without excuse shall be given due process (see Section V, Removal from Office) regarding the actions that will be taken following any further unexcused absence.

Section V Removal from Office

Subsection 1 Executive Officers

1. Executive officers who exceed school absentee limits or receive major disciplinary penalties (i.e. suspensions) shall come before a disciplinary board composed of the Executive Advisor(s), the other executive board members, and the vice-principal of record, where after depending on the severity, the offender may be placed on probation. Violation of this probation will result in immediate expulsion, without hearing, from the council.

2. Executive officers who neglect their duties to such and extent that the efficiency of the council suffers shall be subject to a hearing before a panel composed of the same as subsection 1 and receive the same probationary and expulsion procedures.

Subsection 2 Class Officers

1. Class officers serve a dual role as representatives to the full council and officers of their individual classes.

2. Problems dealing with the duties as a member of the Representative Congress (i.e. excessive absences from meetings, disregard for executive order, etc.) will be addressed by a disciplinary board composed of the Executive Advisor(s), the Executive Officers, and the Class Advisors of record. Depending on severity, probation and expulsion procedures will be considered.

3. Problems dealing with the duties as a class officer shall be addressed and accordingly dealt with by the class advisors.

Note: Probation shall consist of a strict written contract, signed by the officer in question and a parent. Violated probation shall result in immediate expulsion.

Subsection 4 The Treasurer

1. The Treasurer of Funds will be the chief manager (with the advice and consent of the Advisor(s)) of all Council funds and business ventures.
2. He or she will keep accurate, categorized public records of all financial affairs and accounts.
3. He or she will make a treasury report at every Representative Council meeting.
4. The Treasurer will keep aware of all class funds and ventures through a committee.
5. The Treasurer will be responsible for the storage and upkeep of all Council goods and capital.

Section III General Powers and Privileges

1. The Executive Committee will have the sole executive power of the Council.
2. The Executive Committee will appoint all committee members.
3. The Executive Committee will make all Council policy.
4. The Executive Committee has the power of appointment.
5. The Executive Committee will have jurisdiction over the Student Council office.
6. The Executive Committee has the power to implement those procedures it feels necessary in executing its powers and duties.
7. The Executive Committee will serve as the councils' judiciary body.

Article V Class Officers

Section I Purpose

There will be elected from each of the four classes, four class officers; a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer who will be in charge of the activities and funds of their particular classes, while also retaining a position in the Representative Congress.

Section II Duties

1. The class officers shall serve as role models as well as planners and fund-raisers for their particular classes.
2. All class presidents must conduct meetings, organize fund-raisers and activities, report directly each month to the Executive Council, and meet regularly with class advisors and other officers. The class president is the presiding officer but all officers shall have equal responsibility.
3. Neglect of these duties shall result in the aforementioned penalties.

Subsection I Freshman Class President

1. He or she will assume control over the collection of class dues

Subsection II Sophomore Class President

1. He or she will assume control over the planning of the Junior Dinner Dance.

Section II Complaints

The Student Council will be available to hear and act upon complaints regarding procedure from individual club members.

Article IX Source of Authority

The right to govern, which belong to the Student Council, is derived from the consent of the students and administration of Wayne Valley High School.

Article X Amendments

Section I Origins

Amendments may originate in committees, in Executive Committee, in the Representative Congress, or by student petition with the signatures of at least twenty (20) percent of the student population.

Section II Approval

Amendments will pass with two-thirds majority vote in the Representative Congress upon approval of the Advisor(s) and the Administration.

Article XI Ratification

Section I Procedure

1. The Executive Committee will propose this Constitution.
- 2 It will be presented to the Congress after having been submitted to the Administration for approval.
3. Upon two-thirds approval, this Constitution will be adopted.
4. It will then be presented to the students of Wayne Valley High School.
5. If rejected by the Congress, this Constitution may be re-presented only with revision and only after a week's time.

Section II Effect

This Constitution of the Wayne Valley High School Student Council will take effect immediately upon its approval by the Congress.