

St. Mary's School Student Council Elections

2023-2024

September 18, 2023

We are very excited for the 2023-2024 St. Mary's Student Council! Election time is quickly approaching. We are confident these school leaders can do great things this year. If your child would like to participate in Student Council this year, please read all information carefully before giving permission to join the election race.

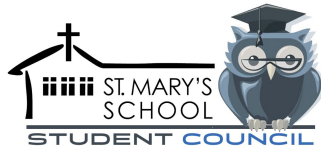
1. The Offices of Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sgt. at Arms, and Historian will be open to sixth-eighth grade students. Only 8th grade students are eligible to run for the Office of President .
2. Only 5th-8th grade students will be permitted to run for class representative positions.
3. All students running for Student Council positions must have parent permission.
4. All students will be required to collect twenty-five peer signatures to secure their position on the ballot.
5. On election day, students will vote on officer positions before the class representative voting occurs. This will allow students who are unsuccessful in running for an office to have the opportunity to run for class representative.

Important Dates

Thursday, Sept. 21	Permission Slips due to homeroom teacher
Friday, Sept. 22	Forms for the 25 peer signatures will be handed out to those participating
Tuesday, Sept. 26	25 peer signatures are due to homeroom teacher
Tuesday, Sept. 26	Students may hang posters 1 per floor of school building for officers 1 per classroom for representatives
Thursday, Sept. 28	Election Day! Officer candidates give speeches during Thursday's Cyclones Connect Representative candidates give speeches in the classroom Whole student body will vote on officer positions in the morning Fifth-eighth grade representative election in the afternoon
Wednesday, Oct. 18	First Student Council Meeting during lunch in Mrs. Rhein's room
Friday, Oct.20	Student Council Induction following 9 AM Mass

Rules for Officer Elections

1. You are not to hand out any incentives, make promises, or offer any other service in return for fellow students' votes.
2. You may hang up one sign or poster per floor.
3. Please keep your speech to no more than 2 minutes. Give a brief reason why you think you should be an officer.
4. Be professional, be honest, and have fun!



St. Mary's School Student Council Information

Mission

“The purpose of this body shall be to represent the views of the student body, to provide service and activities for the school and community and to provide leadership training and experience for the students.”

Composition

St. Mary's Student Council is composed of student officers (grades 6-8) and class representatives (grades 5-8). All members of the Student Council are elected to their positions by their classmates or the student body.

President	Sets meeting agendas, runs meetings, and speaks at Student Council functions
Vice President	Helps president with various jobs, takes over for president—if necessary
Secretary	Takes notes at meetings and responsible for all correspondence
Treasurer	Helps advisor count and roll money
Sergeant-at-Arms	Arrives at meetings early, sets up room, cleans up after meetings
Historian	Archives records of Student Council activities
2 Class representatives from each grade 5-8	

Responsibilities

Student Council responsibilities include, but are not limited to, fundraising activities, community projects, and planning Spirit Week. Some required Student Council activities occur after school.

Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month during the lunch/recess period. The first meeting will be on October 18th with students gathering in Mrs. Rhein's room. Officers will meet additionally as needed.

Advisor

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