

Suamico Student Council

Student Council is an important aspect of the culture here at Suamico Elementary. The purpose of Student Council is to get a collective voice of the students heard to the people who help make things happen at our school, and to be examples for others as servant leaders. Two students from each 3rd and 4th grade classroom will be chosen to be a representative on Student Council.

Student Council will help parent groups with things like school fundraisers, food drives and other events where they need students' help. Student Council will also be expected to be a part of service activities and our school store. (School Store typically happens during school lunchtime and does require parent volunteers to come in and help. We hope that Student Council parents can work at least 1 School Store during the school year, but this is not required.) Most importantly, we will be promoting a positive and safe school community where all students and teachers feel excited to be a Suamico Panther.

Should I Run for Student Council?

If you would like to represent your class, you should have **all** of these characteristics:

- **Must** come to the meetings (see times below)
- **Must** desire to be a servant leader: a leader that puts the needs of others first, developing them, while putting forth maximum effort and performing as highly as possible.
- **Must** have a positive attitude and be a good student example
- **Must** be able to communicate comfortably to both adults and students
- **Must** be willing to do extra projects at home if necessary
- Characteristics of a Student Council candidate:
*Kind *Helpful *Empathetic *Creative *Integrity *Responsible *Respectful *Safe

**** If you have any questions please come and see Mrs. Foley or Mrs. White before school, after school, or during recess.****

How Can I Join?

1. Take this flyer home and talk to your parents about whether Student Council is right for you. Have an honest discussion. Student Council is fun, but it is also a lot of work.
2. Get this permission slip signed by your parent/guardian.
3. **Bring back this form, signed by you and your parent/guardian by Friday, September 20th.**
4. Prepare a **3-5 minute speech** to present to your class explaining what characteristics you have that would make you a good Student Council Member and why you want to be on Student Council. **Your classroom teacher will set aside a day and time for you to give your speech to your class sometime between September 23rd-30th.** Please see your classroom teacher for poster boards if needed.
5. After speeches all classmates will vote and the 2 students with the most votes will be the 2019-20 Student Council members.

Meeting Dates

Wednesday Before School Meetings	Wednesday During School Meetings
<p>October 16th @ 7:55 am- 8:25 am November 13th @ 7:55 am- 8:25 am December 18th @ 7:55 am- 8:25 am January 22nd @ 7:55 am- 8:25 am February 12th @ 7:55 am- 8:25 am March 11th @ 7:55 am- 8:25 am April 15th @ 7:55 am- 8:25 am May 13th @ 7:55 am- 8:25 am</p>	<p>October 23rd @ 3:00 pm- 3:30 pm December 4th @ 3:00 pm- 3:30 pm</p> <p>**In January-May additional 3:00-3:30 pm meetings will be added to the calendar as we see necessary to prepare for school activities. These will be limited to one per month.</p>

****Meetings will be held in the library.****

The meeting dates will be sent home with each Student Council Rep after final selections have been made

Dear Parents,

Your child is interested in running for a Student Council classroom representative position. If your child is selected for the position, (s)he would need to be available for the before school meetings listed above and have your permission to be excused from the classroom for the during school meetings. **Meetings are mandatory in order to coordinate Student Council activities.**

If your child has permission to run for Student Council, and is **available** to attend the meetings, you and your child should complete the sections below and return this permission slip to your child's classroom teacher by Friday, September 20th.

Student Section

- I read/discussed the Should I Run section of this form with my parent/guardian and believe I possess the qualities to be a good Student Council Member
- I will prepare a speech to give to my class (My teacher will tell me the date speeches will be held)

Student Signature

Classroom Teacher

Parent Section

_____ has my permission to run for Student Council and **I think they would make a good leader** for their class. I also agree to bring my student to the before school meetings, excuse my student from class for the during school meetings, and if available, once the dates are announced, help with one School Store.

Parent Name

Parent Signature

Parent Email

Date