

SJRCS Student Council Election Guidelines

The following rules apply for the Student Council Elections:

- Applications will be available from Mrs. Pessagno beginning Friday, September 6th.
- Signed, completed applications are due to Principal Smith no later than 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 12th. Failure to have the application completed correctly and/or handing it in past the deadline will result in disqualification. Current officers of NJHS are not eligible to run for an office on Student Council.
- No election activity is allowed during class time.
- Only 7th & 8th grade students may sign petitions.
- September 16th, 17th, and 18th are campaign days.
- Posters may only be placed on the second floor and must be removed at the end of the day on Wednesday, September 18th. You may only use paint safe tape.
- Any destruction of campaign materials by a candidate will result in the loss of the privilege to run for office.
- Primary elections will be held in 7th and 8th grade classrooms on Wednesday, September 18th, right before lunch.
- The two candidates for each office who receive the highest number of votes in the primary election will be on the final ballot and will give election speeches on Wednesday, September 25th, right after the band demo.
- The general election will follow the speeches.
- Homeroom representatives will be elected during homeroom on the morning of Monday, September 30th. Two representatives from each 6th, 7th, and 8th grade homeroom are to be elected. (See other side for information about running for class representative.)
- Newly elected officers will be installed at the first Student Council meeting in October.
- Please note that ALL Student Council meetings will be held on Wednesdays, after school, from 2:30-3:15. Please do not run for an office or to be a homeroom rep unless you are available to attend meetings at this time.

Article X: Class Representatives

At an Executive Committee meeting held on September 29, 2008, the following change was made in requirements and procedures for selecting class representatives.

- (A) Any student who wishes to be considered as a class representative must have no grades lower than a C on an interim or progress report.
- (B) Candidate must have satisfactory effort and conduct.
- (C) Any student who wishes to be considered as a class representative must complete a form and submit to his/her homeroom teacher for verification of grades.
- (D) Once grades have been verified, homeroom teachers will allow time for students to present to their homeroom members why they would like to be their representative on Student Council.
- (E) Homeroom members will vote by secret ballot. The names of their two choices for class representative should be written on the ballot.
- (F) Homeroom teachers will tally the ballots and send the class selections to the Principal and will also announce the selected students in their homerooms.

Thank you for your interest in participating in Student Council. Please make sure that you meet all requirements, fill out the application form correctly, and return it on time. Best of luck to all the candidates!