

High School Student Council

Election Packet

General Body Candidates

“Leaders are made; they are not born. They are made by hard effort, which is the price which all of us must pay to achieve any goal that is worthwhile.” - Vince Lombardi

**ASU Preparatory Student Council Commitment**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

ASU Preparatory Academy Student Council places students in a leadership position and provides them with the opportunity to make important decisions about the school. The Student Council is committed to articulating and affirming the needs of the student body. Our mission is to establish formal communication links between students and faculty, assure an inclusive and enjoyable school environment, encourage and support the academic efforts of all students, and build a sense of community, loyalty and tradition at ASU Preparatory Academy.

**PLEDGE**

We, the dedicated members to the ASU Preparatory Academy Student Council, pledge to:

CONTRIBUTE to the needs of the community

UPHOLD the pillars of ASU Preparatory Academy

REPRESENT the needs of the student body

ENCOURAGE student involvement and school pride

**DUTIES OF ALL MEMBERS**

* Commit and uphold to the Student Council Mission, Pledge, and Constitution
* Follow all ASU Preparatory Academy rules and regulations, behaving as a role model for the student body
* Attend all Student Council meetings (tentatively planned for Tuesday’s after school from 3:15-4:15)
* Cooperate with fellow Officers, consistently putting forth time and effort to achieve school goals
* Participate in fundraising, community service, committee meetings, and other activities during and after school hours
* Manage all academic obligations

**General Student Council Positions and Duties**

There are a variety of available positions for class offices: three Class Officers will be elected as representatives of their Class. In addition to the aforementioned responsibilities of all members, each position has specific duties. Please visit the Student Council website to view the official ASU Preparatory Academy High School Constitution and review the unique responsibilities of the following available positions. The position titles are as follows:

**CLASS PRESIDENT**

**CLASS VICE PRESIDENT**

**CLASS SECRETARY**

**High School Student Council Application Instructions**

If you are interested in running for an ASU Preparatory Academy Polytechnic High School Student Council position, please complete and submit the following to Mr. Quinn **by 3:10 pm on the 2nd Friday in August**:

1. Please read the Student Council Constitution on the website: pquinnasuprep.weebly.com. Make sure that this is something you are ready to commit to.
2. Fill out the Commitment to Run Form (requires candidate and parent signature).
3. Write a Letter of Intent.
4. 1-2 Minute Campaign Video representing your Letter of Intent shared through Google Drive the same day your Commitment to Run Form and Letter of Intent are submitted.
5. Submit your Commitment to Run Form and Letter of Intent together in a manila folder

**IMPORTANT NOTE: No late applications will be accepted.**

Once you have submitted the required paperwork, you may begin campaigning. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to e-mail the Student Council Advisor: Mr. Quinn at pgquinn@asu.edu

**Commitment to Run for Office**

**Contact/Personal Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Capstone Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Commitment**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, petition to run for the Student Council position of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. I have carefully considered the following statements:

*Please sign your initials next to each statement below.*

\_\_\_\_\_\_ I have read and understand the duties and obligations of a Student Council member.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ I am confident in my ability to meet the expectations set forth for the position I seek.

\_\_\_\_\_\_ I will put forth the necessary time and effort required to be a contributing member of this Council.

**Parent/Guardian Permission**

I support my child’s choice to run for a position and, if elected, participate in the Student Council at ASU Preparatory High School. I understand that if my student is elected, he/she will be required to pay $10 in club dues. I understand he/she will be required to attend meetings, community service events, and other obligations that may be held after school hours and on weekends. I understand that the school does not provide transportation and I will have to assist in transporting them to and from these activities.

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Letter of Intent Guidelines**

Please write a Letter of Intent to provide more information about yourself as a candidate. Type the letter on separate paper. The letter should be no more than one page. Include the following:

* Address the letter to the ASU Preparatory Academy Student Body.
* State the office you are seeking.
* Explain the reasons you want to become a member of Student Council.
* Identify the experiences you’ve had or the characteristics you possess that make you confident in your ability to meet the obligations of the position you are seeking.
* Describe what you would like Student Council accomplish this year.

**Election Speech and Campaign Guidelines**

You will have an opportunity to address your peers and explain why you should be elected. Speeches will be recorded and shown to the Learning Lab classes before elections.

**Speech Guidelines**

All speeches will be video recorded. You may record your speech yourself and share via Google Drive to Mr. Quinn (pgquinn@asu.edu). The requirements of election speeches are as follows:

* The speech must be at least one minute and no longer than two minutes.
* Please include the same components mentioned in your Letter of Intent.
* Your speech should in no way insult / mention / or contain other candidates.

Note: Once submitted, speeches cannot be altered in any way. **Students who do not submit speeches will have their names removed from the election ballot.**

**Campaign Guidelines:**

**Permitted Campaign Items:** Students can create up to 2 posters that must be approved by the Front Office. Posters can ONLY be hung in areas approved by the Front Office.

**Prohibited Campaign Items:** Everything else.

**Rules:** All candidates are responsible for removing these items at the end of elections and cleaning them up throughout the election process. If Posters are not taken down by the Monday following elections, they will be recycled by Mr. Quinn. The Front Office must approve all materials, statements, and slogans before being utilized. Statements may not comment on other candidates. Anything posted/stated (even verbal slogans) without approval could result in disqualification from the election.