

George Bush High School Student Council Constitution
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Article I: Name

The name of this organization is the Student Council of George Bush High School.

Article II: Purpose

The purpose of the Student Council shall be to develop good citizenship in the student body, to provide purposeful direction for school activities, and to assist in the management of the student concerns. Student Council is a service organization under the direction of the advisor and the Principal or his/her designee.

Article III: Members

1. Each grade level shall choose fourteen (14) members from their grade level as representatives. Each grade level shall also choose six (6) class officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, Historian, Treasurer, and Public Relations to represent their class. The method of election shall be outlined in election packets.
2. All members shall abide by all FBISD policy and the Student Code of Conduct as outlined in the George Bush High School Student Handbook.
 - a. Any members assigned to Alternative School or Emergency removal from campus will be permanently removed from the Council.
 - b. Any member charged with DUI, MIP, or shoplifting will be permanently removed from the Council.
3. Any student who was not elected by the student body as a representative that is still interested in being part of the Council will be allowed to follow the process as outlined in the election packet. Approval for admittance as a "work-on member" shall be with the approval of the Student Council officers and Advisor.
4. For those who would like to be a part of the Councils' projects but are unable to make a full commitment we will allow them to serve on the project with approval from the Advisor and/or Executive Board.
5. Any member will be eligible to purchase a letterman jacket after the completion of two (2) years as a full member. Letters will be awarded to Juniors and Seniors.

Article IV: Officers and Delegates

1. The Council Officers shall be President, Vice President, Secretary, Parliamentarian, Historian, and a Treasurer. The current student body and council shall elect the Officers.
2. The Council Delegates shall number five (5). The current council shall elect the Delegates.
3. All Officers and Delegates are subject to the same attendance and disciplinary requirements as members. Attendance requirements do include a bi-weekly Executive Board meeting.

Article V: Duties

1. The Student Body President shall: preside at all Student Council meetings; preside over all Executive Board meetings; serve as a member of the Board of Directors; assume responsibility for carryout and completion of any and all student council projects and activities.
2. The Vice President shall: assist the President in all areas of the council and preside over any meeting in the President's absence; serve as a member of the Board of Directors. Be responsible for all point sheets distribution and collection along with individual point totals along with the secretaries. Be responsible for all standing committees.
3. The Secretary shall: take minutes of all Council meetings and Executive Board meetings; serve as a member of the Board of Directors; handle all correspondence and attendance. Be responsible for all point sheets distribution and collection along with individual point totals. Be responsible for chairing a standing committee.
4. The Treasurer shall: oversee all financial dealings for the council; set up a budget for all committees. Be responsible for chairing a standing committee.
5. The Parliamentarian shall: oversee items to be placed on the agenda; assist the President in the maintaining a smooth and democratic meeting; be responsible for chairing a standing committee.

6. The Historian shall: create and maintain the council scrapbook and take pictures. Be responsible for chairing a standing committee.
7. The Delegates shall: serve as a standing committee chair; shall take on any other responsibilities as delegated by the President.
8. The Class Presidents: serve on the Executive Board; serve as a standing committee chair; be responsible for all the activities of their respective classes.

Article VI: Meetings

1. The Student Council shall have a general meeting once every week.
2. The standing committees shall have a meeting once every week.
3. The President or Advisor may call special meetings.
4. All representatives, officers, and delegates may vote.
5. The Executive Board shall have a meeting once every week.
6. The Board of Directors will meet as necessary.
7. Attendance is required at all meetings. In the event of the absence, you must notify the advisor via text or email. Should a member accumulate six (6) absences (excused or unexcused) in a semester they will be removed from the council.

Article VII: Executive Board & Officers

1. The Board of Directors members shall be: Advisor, Principal or his/her designee, Student Council President, Student Council Vice President, Student Council Secretary, and a non-council Advisor.
2. The Executive Board members shall be: Advisor, Student Council officers, delegates, and Class Presidents. All are voting members of the executive board.
3. The President or Advisor may call special meetings of the Executive Board.
4. Attendance is required at all meetings. In the event of the absence notify the advisor via text or email at least the day before the meeting unless there is an emergency. Should a member accumulate three (3) absences (excused or unexcused) in a nine week period they will be demoted to regular member status unless under special circumstances as seen fit by the Advisors and the Executive Board.

Article VIII Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the Robert Rule of Order shall govern the Student Council in all cases, where applicable.

Article IX: Amendments

This constitution can be amended with 2/3 approval of the Council and final approval by the Principal. The amendment must be in writing and distributed to all members 2 weeks before voting on the amendment.

Article X: Amendment

Members given OSS will be put under review by the Executive Board and Advisor to determine their standing with the council.

Article XI: Amendment

An unexcused absence is an un-notified absence. An excused absence is previously notified and could be one of the following: doctor's appointment, extracurricular game/competition/performance.