

Hille Middle School

Student Council Contract

The Hille Middle School Student Council is for students who have volunteered their time to make Hille the best school possible. Being in the Student Council is a privilege, not a right. The students voted into the roles by their peers will be expected to show superior performance in the areas of leadership, citizenship and dedication to the betterment of Hille Middle School. The goal of student council is to involve students in the decision making process and help them become active members in their school.

Requirements to Run:

- *Grades:* Students running for are not allowed to have any D's or F's.
- *Signed Contract:* Student and their parent must sign this contract and turn it in to Mrs. Cotter. The contract is due to Mrs. Cotter the Monday before elections (9/17/13).
- *Three teacher recommendations:* One must be from your connections teacher. The other two can be from any Hille teacher that you currently have. The three teacher recommendations are due to Mrs. Cotter the Monday before elections (9/17/13).
- *Posters:* At least two posters (any size) must be made to encourage your fellow peers to vote for you. ALL posters must be approved by Mrs. Cotter prior to them being tape up in the hallways. Posters must be taped up the Monday before elections (9/17/13).
- *Speech:* A speech, 1-minute or less in length, must be prepared to share during connections class prior to elections. ALL speeches must be approved by Mrs. Cotter prior to election day. Speeches are due to Mrs. Cotter for approval the Monday before elections (9/17/13).
- *Attendance:* Students running must be present on election days in order to be eligible (election days are 9/17 and 9/25).

ELECTION DATES:

- ❖ **REPRESENTATIVES** **09-18-13 during Connections**
- ❖ **OFFICERS** **09-25-13 during Connections**

General Expectations:

- You are expected to be a good role model and act like a leader at all times, both in school and out, weekends, and evenings, - 365/24/7. Be aware that you will be more visible than most students.
- You will abide by all laws, Oak Forest School District 142 rules and Hille Middle School rules. This includes but is not exhausted with any rules about dress code, appropriate language, verbal or physical altercations, cellphone use, and cheating or infidelity.
 - *MINOR OFFENSE:* Any Student Council member with a minor behavior referral will conference with the Student Council sponsor(s) about their actions. Two referrals will result in a conference with the Student Council member and their parents. If a third referral occurs, the Student Council member will be removed from their duties, and another student will assume their responsibilities.
 - *MAJOR OFFENSE:* Any student actions resulting in a suspension or expulsion will result in the Student Council member being removed from their responsibilities.
- You will put 100% into achieving our goals and making the year a success.
- You will be cooperative and courteous to students, faculty, staff and any guest to Hille Middle School.
- You will not put others down for their views or opinions. Hille is a bully free zone. Any level of condescending behavior or comments will not be tolerated.
- You will not abuse the privilege of being in Student Council.

Academic Expectations:

- You will earn no less than a 2.5 GPA (C+/B-).
 - Should your GPA drop below the required average, you will be put on probation. During the probationary period, the student council member and the sponsor(s) will develop a study and improvement plan.
 - If the student council member's GPA does not improve after 4 weeks, the student council member will be removed from their duties, and another student will assume their responsibilities.
 - Always remember that you are a student, that means that your grade comes first and extracurricular activities come second.

Commitment Responsibilities:

- You will be on time to every Student Council meeting and activity. If there is some reason that you must be late or absent you will notify the sponsor in advance (please see attached meeting dates page). There is a 3 strike policy for meeting attendance. After three absences, the student council member will be relieved of their duties.
 - Officers are expected to attend 3 meetings a month
 - Connections Representatives are expected to attend 2 meetings a month
- If you notice a problem or have a complaint, you will make every effort to find a time for us to discuss it privately.
- NO ONE is to leave class or a Student Council activity without the sponsor's permission.
- You agree to participate in ALL Student Council activities and spirit days.
- Student Council members are required to participate in 5 hours of community service by April 1st. All Student Council members must submit the signed Volunteer Hours sheet to the student council sponsors by April 1st (see the Community Service Form).

Financial Commitments:

- You will be required to purchase a t-shirt to wear during sponsored events and on special meeting days (estimated cost of \$15).



Student Agreement:

I, the undersigned, have read the Student Council Contract, and I understand what is expected of me should I be elected as a member of the Hille Middle School Student Council program.

By signing this document I agree to adhere to all of the conditions herein and to accept all the responsibilities of being in the Student Council program. I also understand and am willing to accept the consequences involved if I do not comply with these guidelines.

Student's Printed Name: _____

Student's Signature: _____

Date Signed: _____

Parent Agreement:

I have read the guidelines for the Student Council program at Hille Middle School, and I give my support to the guidelines and policies of this program. I give my full support to the Student Council program and activities.

I further understand that, should my child be elected as a member of the Hille Student Council program, they shall be held to the highest standard of behavior both on and off campus, before and after school. I also realize that my child is expected to abide by all of the rules and requirements mentioned above in the Expectations section.

Parent's Printed Name: _____

Parent's Signature: _____

Date Signed: _____

**Turn this signed portion in to Mrs. Cotter in room E4 by 9/17/14*