

2016-2017 Student Council Application Cuthbertson High School

Dear Candidate,

Thank you for considering a position on Student Council. As a Student Council member, you will represent Cuthbertson High School as a leader within the school and the community. In addition, you will be the “voice” of your class and will aid in making decisions regarding school events and policies. Your position will enable you to play an active role in organizing and executing student life activities, events, and service projects. In addition, you will have numerous opportunities that will strengthen your leadership skills.

Please read the student application thoroughly and reflect on your present and future time commitments. Being a member of Student Council is similar to being a member of a “sports team” for an entire school year. You must show up for weekly meetings (held Tuesday afternoons at 3:05), attend leadership conferences, participate in student life events, and conduct service projects. Your submission of the Student Council application is a demonstration of your dedication to the council and an agreement to the member policies.

To uphold the integrity of the council, each member will be held accountable for attending weekly meetings (see attendance policy) and participating in Student Council events. If for any reason, a member does not participate or he or she fails to meet the attendance requirements, he or she will be dismissed from Student Council for the remainder of the school year.

We look forward working with you on implementing student life activities that instill pride in our school and exemplify the Cavalier Pride throughout the Cuthbertson community!

Sincerely,

Jennifer Abuita
Jennifer Fogle
Student Council Advisers
Kary Harris, 9th grade advisor

COVER SHEET

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APPLICATION PROCESS:

1. Download Student Council Application from the Cuthbertson website. The application will be due to Ms. Harris (G-104) by MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 (applications can be dropped off until 3pm). *Late Applications will NOT be accepted.*
2. Complete all necessary forms and return application in correct order.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____ Grade: _____

Preferred Student Email: _____
(Please print legibly)

Phone Number: _____

APPLICATION CHECKLIST:

Please submit your Student Council application in this order:

1. _____ Cover Sheet (*this page*)
2. _____ Resume
3. _____ References
4. _____ Essay Questions (3)
5. _____ The following forms with signatures:
 1. Attendance Policy Agreement Form
 2. UCPS Extracurricular Policies Form
 3. Parent/ Student Agreement Form

If any component of this application is missing, incomplete, or done incorrectly, the applicant will not be considered for Student Council.

RESUME:

The following is the minimum requirement. Please provide a resume of which you are proud and which highlights your honest involvement and participation in extracurricular activities.

Name
Address
Phone Number
Email

- I. **Objective:** Please describe why you would like to serve as a Student Council Representative
- II. **Extracurricular Activities:** Include all sports and school clubs.
- III. **Leadership:** Please describe any leadership positions that you held in your extracurricular activities.
- IV. **Work Experience:** Include only if this applies to you.
- V. **Accolades:** Please list and describe any awards or special honors that you have received (ex: "A" Honor Roll, Perfect Attendance, etc.).
- VI. **Previous Student Council Experience:** Positions you have previously held, responsibilities, any conventions/leadership workshops you have attended. (i.e. Mars Hill, NCASC State Convention, Western District Conference).

REFERENCES:

Note: A family member CANNOT be a reference. At least two teachers (with whom you currently have a class) MUST fill two reference spots.

Reference 1:

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Reference 2:

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Teacher Reference: (Teacher with whom I currently have a class)

Name: _____

Email: _____

Class in which I am currently enrolled: _____

Teacher Signature: _____

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Name: _____

Email: _____

Class in which I am currently enrolled: _____

Teacher Signature: _____

ESSAY QUESTIONS:

Please answer ALL of the following questions thoroughly and to the best of your ability.

1. Why are you applying to be a member/officer of Student Council?
2. How can you make a difference at Cuthbertson and how will Student Council help you with that?
3. We are continuously trying to increase our school spirit, but due to our changing population, there is room for improvements. How could Student Council work to improve and increase student involvement?

ATTENDANCE POLICY AGREEMENT FORM:

In order to promote student accountability and credibility to the CHS student council the following attendance policy has been established:

(STUDENT must initial on the line after each statement)

_____ I understand that I must contact the Student Body Secretary regarding my absences to Student Council meetings and all Student Council events.

_____ I understand that I must contact my class secretary of my absences in the form of a hand written letter to class meetings and class events.

_____ I will provide at least 48 hours notice of an absence of which I am aware (medical appointments, trips, etc.).

_____ I will provide a written explanation within 48 hours to the Student Body Secretary explaining why I was absent.

_____ I understand that I will be dismissed from Student Council if I accumulate 3 unexcused absences.

_____ I understand that 2 tardies equals 1 unexcused absence.

_____ I understand that emergencies, summons to court, tutoring, academic issues, doctor appointments, and illnesses are all EXCUSED and do not count towards an absence.

_____ I understand that if I am in school for first period, then I will receive an unexcused absence for missing a meeting.

_____ I understand that if my absence from school is UNEXCUSED, then my absence from Student Council is unexcused.

UCPS EXTRACURRICULAR POLICIES FORM:

Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Activities Guidelines for Middle and High School Students are as followed:

1. Any student who is charged with a felony or a Class I misdemeanor or is petitioned for an offense that would be a felony or a Class I misdemeanor if committed by an adult, will be removed from all current teams and/or activities for a minimum of twenty (20) school days, and will remain ineligible until such time as the courts render the findings in the case. Pleas of “No Contest” or as part of a deferred prosecution or “Prayer for Judgment Continued” (PJC) will be considered convictions for purposes of these guidelines. In the case of co-curricular activities, the student will attend class and complete work related to the class, but cannot represent the school in any manner during an extra-curricular component of the class. If there are mitigating circumstances, the student may request a review of the evidence surrounding the charge by the Superintendent or his designee. The student is ineligible to participate in extra-curricular activities until a final decision is rendered by the Superintendent or his designee.
2. Any student athlete who is convicted of a felony or is adjudicated delinquent for an offense that would be a felony if committed by an adult is barred from participation in interscholastic athletics for the remainder of his/her high school career per NCHSAA guidelines. Students involved in other extracurricular or co-curricular activities who are found guilty of a felony or are adjudicated delinquent for an offense that would be a felony if committed by an adult are not eligible to represent the school in such activities for the remainder of their high school careers. Students found guilty of a Class I misdemeanor or are adjudicated delinquent for an offense that would be a felony if committed by an adult are not eligible to participate in teams and/or activities for the remainder of the school year. These guidelines also apply to middle school students; however, eligibility is restored once the student first enters ninth grade per NCHSAA guidelines.
3. Any student charged with a Class II or III misdemeanor or is petitioned for an offense that would be a Class II or III misdemeanor if committed by an adult that takes place on school grounds, during a school sponsored event, or in the course of representing the school will be removed from all current teams and/or activities for a minimum of twenty (20) school days, and will remain ineligible until such time as the courts render findings in the case. Pleas of “No Contest” or as part of a deferred prosecution or “Prayer for Judgment Continued” (PJC) will be considered convictions for purposes of these guidelines. In the case of co-curricular activities, the student will attend class and complete work related to the class, but cannot represent the school in any manner during an extra-curricular component of the class. If there are mitigating circumstances, the student may request a review of the evidence surrounding the charge by the principal. Students found guilty of a Class II or III misdemeanors or are adjudicated delinquent for an offense that would be a Class II or III misdemeanor if committed by an adult are not Extra-Curricular and Co-Curricular Activities Guidelines for Middle and High School Students (Page 2 of 3) eligible to participate in teams and/or activities for the remainder of the semester.
4. Mitigating circumstances may include:
 - a. having no history of disciplinary problems;
 - b. having a significant amount of time pass since the student’s last disciplinary problem; c. being a passive participant or playing a minor role in the offense;
 - c. reasonably believing the conduct was legal;
 - d. acting under strong provocation;
 - e. aiding in the discovery of another offender;

- f. making a full and truthful statement admitting guilt at an early stage in the investigation of the offense;
 - g. displaying an appropriate attitude and giving respectful cooperation during the investigation and discipline process; or mitigating circumstances do NOT exist solely because of demonstrated prowess in a sport or activity or the potential of scholarships or grants in aid.
- 5. A second unrelated felony or misdemeanor charge or a juvenile petition for an offense that would be a felony or misdemeanor if committed by an adult, will automatically result in removal from all teams and/or activities for the duration of the school year.
- 6. Any student suspended out of school six (6) days (for a single offense) for high schools on block schedule or ten (10) days (for a single offense) for high schools on traditional schedule will receive a ten (10) school-day suspension from any extracurricular activity. Any middle school student suspended out of school for ten (10) days for a single offense will receive a ten (10) school-day suspension from any extracurricular activity. Per middle school sports guidelines, a second out-of-school suspension during the sports season will result in the student being removed from the team/squad for the remainder of the season.
- 7. 13.National and state organizations, school clubs, and athletic teams with rules or by-laws that prescribe
- 8. stricter consequences for student misconduct will supercede the above guidelines.
- 9. It is expected that all athletic teams will have team rules that address the off campus behavior of students/athletes regarding drugs and alcohol. These rules should outline consistent consequences that limit and/or prohibit participation by students/athletes involved in such activities.
- 10. Students who are found not guilty will be eligible for reinstatement to the team or activity immediately. Pleas of “No Contest” or as part of a deferred prosecution or “Prayer for Judgment Continued” (PJC) will be considered convictions for purposes of these guidelines, and students must serve the 20 day suspension from activities.
- 11. Students involved in co-curricular activities with a required extra-curricular component, such as band, chorus, vocational clubs, etc., will be given alternative assignments to avoid a negative impact on their academic standing in such classes.
- 12. Principals are asked to communicate and collaborate in dealing with such situations. This is especially important in charges and arrests involving more than one school. All schools are expected to follow these guidelines.
- 13. Students charged with crimes during the summer months shall be subject to these guidelines beginning the first day of the school year if the charges are still pending at that point.
- 14. Affected students and their parents will be informed in writing regarding all decisions and actions taken relative to these guidelines.

I have read and understood these policies. _____

(Student Signature)

PARENTAL/STUDENT AGREEMENT FORM

I, _____, permit child, _____, to
(Name of parent) (Name of student)

participate in Student Council for the 2015-2016 school year. I understand that the club will have meetings outside of instructional hours of the school day and may need to arrange for my child to be transported to or from school on days the club meets.

My signature below confirms that I have read and understand Union County Public Schools Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities Guidelines for Middle and High School Students.

Printed Name of Student: _____ Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____