**Student Council Election Application**

*Any Student Council member in 6/7th grade interested in running for a Middle School Student Council office must complete and return this form to Mrs. Hall by Friday April 12th.*

**Goal/Purpose:**

 The purpose of this organization shall be to: plan various activities that span all interest levels, create enthusiasm for participating in school events/activities, to promote and develop leadership, to encourage good citizenship in the students of our school, to support ideas, programs, teams/clubs/organizations through advertisements, financial support, and or by any other means reasonable to the group.

**Election Procedure**

1. This application will be posted on the STUCO bulletin boards throughout the school so that students may at any time re-read each candidate’s goal. This form should be typed.
2. All candidates that turned in the election application on time and compete will then have five days to campaign for their election. This will occur between the days of April 15th and 19th.
3. Elections will be held on the 19th.
4. On the 15th (Monday), all candidates will be asked to present to the student body a very brief speech (1-2 minutes in length) about why s/he should be elected.
	1. If there is only one candidate running for a position, no speech will be requires for that position and that student will be elected into office.
5. Candidates will then have the remainder of the week to campaign to the best of their ability before elections are held on Friday, following all rules set forth in this handout.
	1. A maximum of 10 signs to be displayed around the school. This includes posters, papers, etc. This does not include handouts.
	2. Each candidate may pass out handouts only one day during the campaign week. All handouts must be approved by Mrs. Hall prior to the day they are distributed.
	3. Absolutely no disrespectful or inappropriate wording, pictures, mudslinging, etc are allowed on any campaign materials…this is grounds for removal.
	4. All campaign materials must be removed by the end of voting day.
6. Votes will be tallied by the current officers and sponsor. The winners will be announced at the end of the day: however, they will be notified by the sponsor prior to this announcement.
7. Candidates must win by more than a 15% margin. In the case that this does not occur, the candidates who are closest (2 or 3) will be voted on again by the student body.

**Vacancies, Not Enough Candidates, ETC.**

In the case that a position is left open, an officer resigns/quits/is removed or for any unforeseeable action that leaves an officer’s position open, the current Student Council will meet the sponsor and hold an emergency meeting with all current members. At this time, we will ask for any members that are interested in filling this position to apply and from there we will hold another meeting soon after (not to exceed 3 days) to hear speeches. A vote will immediately follow.

**Election Application**

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

Office I am running for: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The following short answers will be posted around the school for all students to view. Extra copies of this form can be found on the STUCO website: [www.hebronSTUCO.com](http://www.hebronSTUCO.com)

I feel I would make a good candidate for this position because:

My goal(s) for this position are:

**This form must be turned in no later than Friday April 12. No exceptions!**