

Woodbridge High School

2018 Class Council Election Campaign Information

(Keep for your reference)

Please read and comply with the appropriate sections of the ASB Constitution. (Constitution is posted on the WHS website under Students→ ASB)

All candidates must meet all deadlines on the Election Calendar. Listed meetings on the Election Calendar are mandatory for all candidates. **There is a mandatory lunch meeting in the theater on Wednesday, April 18th about campaigns and speeches (location subject to change).**

Applications must be returned to the Activities Office by **1:17 p.m. on Tuesday, April 17th**. Otherwise, your name will not appear on the ballot. Petition signatures will be checked for validity. False names may disqualify the petition.

If two candidates wish to run together (i.e., give speech together and advertise together), the candidates may combine the 20 seconds allotted for speeches and the allotments listed below in regard to promotional material (e.g., two candidates who run together may have a speech that is 40 seconds long and put up 50 fliers). Each candidate will be elected separately from his or her running partner.

Campaign Specifications:

- **All flyers, slogans, banners, posters, etc. must be pre-approved by ASB. These will be due with the rest of your application (pages 5-6). You can submit banner and poster ideas to Activities on an ongoing basis throughout the campaign, but you must wait 1 day after submission to put up these posters.**
- All election materials should be made in good taste.
- Campaign materials may be put up beginning at 6:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 25th. You and/or your supporters may not enter campus (including parking lots) until 6:00 a.m.
- You may have no more than one banner (4ft. by 10 ft.) – you may use butcher paper from Activities. Cloth, paper, or wood allowed.
- You may have no more than 3 posters (2ft. by 3 ft.)
- You may have no more than 25 fliers (8.5 in. by 11 in.)
- You may have no more than **35 total miscellaneous items limited to 2 ft x 2 ft x 2ft in size**, including but not limited to buttons, badges, name tags, magnets, boxes, etc. **No t-shirts or other clothing items** will be allowed as campaign materials, except for t-shirts worn by the candidates themselves. Accessories (i.e., visors, necklaces) are permissible.
- **No stickers are allowed.**
- **NO ELECTION MATERIAL MAY BE PLACED ON A PAINTED SURFACE.** Posters may be placed on windows or cement poles only. Posters may be hung from balconies with ribbon only. No posting on light poles or doors. **Any improper posting may result in disqualification.**
- Only **BLUE painters' tape** may be used—no masking or duct tape.
- No staples in wood.
- No food, candy, or any kind of snacks can be used as campaign materials.
- Other than the butcher paper for one banner, all other supplies used for election promotion must be supplied by the candidate, **including blue tape.**
- Social media: you may only post positively for yourself. If you are a candidate, you may not post for others. All materials must be positive; do not put down others or those in support of your opponent. **Any improper posting may result in disqualification.**
- **All election materials and blue tape must be taken down during Homeroom on Wednesday, May 2nd. Election results will not be posted until everything is down (even blue tape).**

Speech Specifications:

In order to make the speeches as equitable as possible, all candidates will be answering the same three questions in their speeches:

- 1) Why are you running for Class Council?
- 2) What makes you qualified for Class Council?
- 3) What are you most looking forward to next year?

Speech outlines (page 4) will be submitted in advance with your application to check for suitability. All speeches must be made in good taste. Any questionable material should be left out. Candidates must abide by the school dress code. We recommend you do not wear green and/or white as you may be filmed in front of a green screen.

You will have 20 seconds to make your speech, or 40 seconds if you run with a partner, time subject to change depending on number of candidates.

Election Specifications:

The election speeches will be viewed on Wednesday, May 2nd during homeroom, and voting will commence immediately. Voters will log in to woodbridge.voting4schools.com to complete voting electronically. The software can detect voter fraud/cheating. Any suspicious activity is subject to review and/or disqualification at the discretion of the Election Committee. The elections will close at 11:59 p.m. Results will be posted Friday after school.

During Homeroom on Wednesday, May 2nd, report to Activities rather than your assigned Homeroom. You will have a chance to vote there.

Campaign violations or unfair practices by candidates must be stated in writing and given personally to the Activities Director. A hearing will be held and a decision will be made within twenty-four hours.

Name order on the ballot will be determined alphabetically and by position. The order of speeches will also be determined alphabetically and by position. Your school picture may appear next to your name on the voting page.

The election committee reserves the right to implement voting by ballot in lieu of electronic voting. In the case of ballot voting, ballots that are marked in any way other than marks necessary for voting purposes will be invalidated entirely as directed by the campaign committee. Ballots and tally sheets will be kept by the Activities Director. Electronic ballot results will be tallied by the software, and paper ballots will be tallied by the Activities Director, Assistant Principal, and/or other staff members.

The Irvine Unified School District is committed to equal opportunity for all individuals in education. District programs and activities including membership in student clubs shall be free from discrimination based on race, color, ancestry, nationality, ethnic group identification, age, religion, actual or potential parental, family, or marital status, or the exclusion of any person because of pregnancy or related conditions, physical or mental disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, or genetic information; the perception of one or more of such characteristics; or association with a person or group with one or more of these actual or perceived characteristics. Refer to IUSD Board Policy 5145.5.

*****Violations of any of the above items can, at the discretion of the election committee, disqualify a candidate, even if he/she has been elected, even up to 10 days after the viewing of the election speeches.***