

Student Council Information

Here at Country Isles, the mission of the Student Council is to promote self-esteem, pride, and leadership qualities within the Representatives, while simultaneously promoting school spirit within all school students and the local community.

The annual election process begins with classroom elections, where students give speeches in front of their classmates and the classmates then vote. Each fourth-grade class chooses two class Representatives, one of whom will run for Secretary and the other Treasurer. Each fifth-grade class also selects two class Representatives, one of whom will run for Vice President and the other, President.

The compilation of all elected class Representatives will make up the Student Council!

Next, these students will run for the chosen position. While campaigning, students must follow strict guidelines. Each student may make up to 6 campaign posters to hang around the school. Ms. Heckler **MUST** approve all posters before they are displayed, the content must be appropriate, and spelling and grammar must be correct. Signs may not be placed on windows, doors, poles, or inside of buildings. Finally, students must provide and use their own tape and materials.

Students then write and present a campaign speech explaining why he/she would like the position and is the right candidate. Each speech should be no more than 1-2 minutes and must be approved by Ms. Heckler before presenting on Morning Announcements. The statements made must be realistic, and may **NOT** be unjustified promises, i.e.: promising to make recess longer, more parties, fewer school days, better lunch, etc.

Students may NOT distribute candy, flyers, stickers, food, items etc. as part of his/her campaign.

Students who do not follow these guidelines, will not be allowed to run for office.

Election Week

- ❖ Monday: Students running for Secretary will present their speeches on Morning Announcements.
- ❖ Tuesday: Students running for Treasurer will present their speeches on Morning Announcements.
- ❖ Wednesday: Students running for Vice President will present their speeches on Morning Announcements.
- ❖ Thursday: Students running for President will present their speeches on Morning Announcements.
- ❖ Friday: Results will be announced on Afternoon Announcements.

***THE STUDENTS ELECTED AS CLASS REPRESENTATIVES, THAT DO NOT WIN THE ELECTION TO BE AN OFFICER (i.e. Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President or President) WILL

STILL SERVE AS A STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE! As an Officer or Representative, the student will play an active and very important role in the Country Isles Student Council.

*Ms. Heckler will be in front of the Media Center each morning of Campaign Week to approve speeches and posters.

If you are reading this section, you or your child is likely contemplating joining the Student Council. So please know, this is a wonderful experience! Being a member of Student Council is a fun and rewarding experience. The students enjoy helping others and becoming an active and integral part of the Country Isles Community.

There are many fun things in store for our Student Council this year, so start campaigning now!

If you have any questions, please contact the Student Council Sponsor Stephanie Heckler at stephanie.gomez@browardschools.com.