



About the BMS Student Council

- ◆ Do you want to make a difference this year?
- ◆ Do you want school to be an even more fun and exciting place to be?
- ◆ The BMS School Student Council plans and organizes events for middle school students as well as create fundraisers to help the community.

Who Can Participate?

- ◆ The BMS Student Council will consist of students in grades 6-8. Members must complete an application and meet the academic requirements.
- ◆ We are looking for dynamic, enthusiastic, and committed Middle School students to join the Student Council for the 2021-2022 school year. Qualities necessary for any member on student council are:
 - **Leadership skills** – Are you willing to lead committees and be a representative for your class?
 - **Creative** – Are you able to think of new and exciting activities and fundraisers for the student council?
 - **Communicative** – Are you able to share ideas with other student council members, your class and all of middle school?
 - **Team player** – You could be working with a team to generate ideas and organize events for the Student Council.
 - **Responsibility** – You may be responsible for running activities throughout the school and you must be reliable.
 - **Commitment** – This is a year long activity and if you volunteer, you will be expected to come to all meetings for the remainder of the year.

When & Where Does The Club Meet?

Students joining the student council will be supervised by Mrs. Simpson and Ms. Briggins. Meeting dates will be once a month after school. Parents are responsible for picking students up on time.

2021-2022 Student Council Application Timeline

Nov. 10	Students may begin picking up packets
Nov. 19	Deadline for submission of completed packet by 3:25pm
Nov. 29	Campaign Posters can be hung up around the school.
Nov. 29-Dec. 2	Campaign speeches
Dec. 3	Elections will take place in all social studies classes



Member Application Packet

This packet contains information for students wishing to become involved as BMS Student Council Officers for the 2021-2022 school year. Students **MUST** read all portions of this document carefully and complete all necessary pages.

Eligibility for Student Council Officer

1. An officer of Student Council must have no grade **below 70** for any nine weeks grading period during the current or following semester.
2. An officer must not have any truancy at any time during any semester.
3. Any officer who receives a grade below a 70 in any class for any 9 week grading period during any semester shall be placed on probation for 9 weeks. Any further infractions will result in the removal of said representative from participation in the Student Council.

Responsibilities of All Members

1. Attend ALL scheduled meetings. Three unexcused absences will result in dismissal from the Council.
2. Serve on one standing committee and at least one activity/event committee during the year and contribute time and effort to help make each Student Council sponsored activity the best it can be.
3. Act responsibly at all meetings and activities/events and as a leader at BMS.
4. Keep all grades above a 70.
5. Good citizenship is a must. The Student Council is a team.
6. Solicit input from your team. You ARE their representative.
7. Attend all committee meetings and perform all assigned responsibilities at activities/events.

Student Council Campaign Guidelines 2021-2022

Congratulations on choosing to run for an officer position. Candidates will be allowed to put up **3** campaign posters and will give a campaign speech (maximum 2 minutes).

If you only want to be a member of the Student Council you DO NOT have to give a speech or do posters.

Campaign Guidelines:

1. Two minute (maximum) campaign speech telling the students, who you are, what position you are running for, why you want to be selected, and an idea that you would like to fight for if you are elected.
2. Candidates may submit a maximum of 3 posters for campaigning to be hung around the school.
3. Students may not hand out food, candy or money during campaigning.
4. Students may not use dangerous items or an item that may pose a disruption to the school's instructional setting.
5. Students may talk to students and tell them their campaign platform. (It is strongly advised to not make promises that cannot be fulfilled.)
6. After the speeches, students will vote in their social studies classrooms. Votes will be collected, and tallied, and then on December 3rd the officers will be announced.



Student Council Questionnaire

For both Members and Officers to complete

Directions: Please answer the following questions utilizing your best writing and thinking skills. Give the questions serious thought before answering. You must write your answers in ink, or you may “type” them. Answers which are not legible will be considered incomplete. Only **completed** questionnaires will be accepted. You may use the back of this sheet to finish answers or you may use a separate sheet of paper.

Circle your position of interest:

President **(8th only)** Vice President **(7th or 8th)** Secretary **(8th only)** Historian/ Parliamentarian

7th Grade Representative 6th Grade Representative General Member

1. Please explain why you would like to be a Student Council representative this year. How would you personally contribute to the Council?

2. Tell us about yourself. What schools have you attended? What type of leadership experiences have you had both in school and in the community?

3. If you could make ONE improvement at Broadview Middle School, what would it be and why?

4. How do you respond when people don't agree with your ideas?

5. The Student Council raises money every year to benefit our school. Please explain how you think this money should be used and why.



Student Council Parent/Guardian Permission Slip

Please return this section in your application packet.

Student Name: _____

We are aware that our daughter/son is a candidate for Student Council membership at Broadview Middle School. We have gone over member responsibilities and understand that these positions require effort, diligence and leadership qualities. We also understand that failure to perform the specific duties that have been outlined may result in our son's/daughter's dismissal.

We further acknowledge the fact that parents are an integral part of the Student Council's success and whenever the need arises, we will be willing to provide transportation for our daughter's/son's meetings and special events. We also realize that we may be asked to volunteer to chaperone special events.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Emergency Contact: Name _____ Phone Number _____



Activity Goals

*Keep this sheet for your use
Do NOT submit with Application Packet*

1. To provide opportunities for students to gain leadership skills and an appreciation for responsibility and accountability.
2. To provide ways in which students may broaden their interests and develop new experiences.
3. To foster healthy student-student, student-teacher, student-administration, and student-community interaction.
4. To provide a channel of communication through which students can contribute to the school program.
5. To develop an interest in current issues that involves all segments of the student population.
6. To promote more student body involvement through pep assemblies, “information” assemblies and other whole-school events.



Officer Positions

President (8th grade only)

- Runs the meetings, creates agenda
- Serves as the association's representative to the administrative team; meets with them to discuss new ideas.
- Represents Broadview Middle School at school events

Vice-President (7th or 8th grade only)

- In case the president cannot perform his/her duties, he/she will take over as president
- Helps manage the meeting and create the meeting agendas
- Reads minutes of last meeting

Secretary (8th grade only)

- Takes minutes at each meeting
- Takes attendance at each meeting, events and activities.

Historian/ Parliamentarian

- Takes photographs at Student Council events
- Class photo album/scrapbook
- Responsible for keeping order during meetings
- Responsible for set up of meetings
- Will lead officers in the Pledge of Allegiance before each meeting

7th Grade Representative

6th Grade Representative

General Member (all grade levels)