**Truman Middle School**

**Student Council Election Information**

1. Qualifications:
   1. Completed ASB application delivered to Mr. Allen according to the timeline below
   2. Endorsement from current core teachers - Mr. Allen will collect this information from the teachers.
   3. Maintain a GPA of 3.0 or better and no failing grades,
   4. Exceptional Citizenship – No suspensions and no habitual tardiness to school. If you have a suspension you may setup an appointment with Mr. Allen to explain your plan to improve and request approval to run for office
   5. Able to attend meetings – we meet regularly at advisory but sometimes need to meet during a class period for more time. I recognize families are very busy and do not hold after school meetings, although we might support some after school events occasionally.
2. Advertising Requirements
   1. A campaign poster will be posted in the cafeteria
   2. Posters should not cost more than $10
   3. Students may NOT hand out candy, stickers or fliers
   4. Each candidate can make ONE poster. All posters must be approved by Mr. Allen and may not exceed 9 square feet.
   5. Do not ask your teachers for materials or supplies. If you need support, see Mr. Allen
3. Elections
   1. At the election assembly, all candidates will give a brief speech (2 minutes MAX) to their grade level peers.
   2. A copy of the speech should be given to Mr. Allen prior to the elections. Any candidate that gives a speech significantly different than the approved speech will be disqualified.
   3. ELL Level 1 & Level 2 students will be allowed to deliver their speech in their native language with a staff member subsequently reading it in English
4. Timeline:

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| Date | Milestone |
| November 21st | Applications, Posters AND Speeches due to Mr. Allen by 3PM for approval. |
| December 1st | ELECTION DAY for current 6th graders! |

1. Questions? Contact Mr. Allen at 571-5628 or [tallen1@tacoma.k12.wa.us](mailto:tallen1@tacoma.k12.wa.us)

**CANDIDATE STATEMENTS & GRADES**

Name (Please Print):

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|  | Desired Position – Circle One |  |
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| **Representative** | **Vice President** | **President** |
| (no experience required) | (Current 7th grader with one year experience) | (Current 7th grader with one year experience) |

Please answer the following questions with a detailed explanation of your thoughts.

1. Why do you want to be involved in ASB at Truman Middle School?
2. What behavior/attitude is expected of an ASB representative?
3. How would you improve the environment/culture at Truman?
4. What would you offer to the ASB, your class and the entire student body?

**CANDIDATE PLEDGE**

I,\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, am willing to be a positive working member of Truman’s Student Council. I will work to maintain an excellent record of citizenship, behavior and academics. I will maintain a 3.0 GPA, receive no Ns or Us in citizenship and receive no suspensions from school.

I will have the approval by signature of my teachers, my parents and myself. Teacher reference forms will be given directly to the teachers by Mr. Allen.

**Parents:** I believe my student will be an active member of student council and I agree to be involved in making sure he/she attends all meetings, helps with activities and maintains the above requirements.

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**Student:** I agree to the requirements of student council membership and completed this application.

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