
Course Description

Subject: Student Council

Overview:

† Student Council is a leadership development class that meets twice a week throughout the entire year. Homeroom Representatives (both 7th and 8th graders) are elected within the first few weeks of the school year, whereas the officers (President, Vice Pres., Secretary, Treasurer, Historian – only 8th graders) are elected after grade reports are given. Those running for office have to fulfill all the requirements listed in the Student Council packet to ensure they are meeting academic and behavioral requirements, demonstrating leadership skills in all areas, being a good example to others, and following Jesus Christ in their lives. This is a service-oriented class where the students learn to lead like Jesus did – as a servant.

Primary Biblical Integration:

Philippians 2:4-5 “Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus...”

Unit Description:

- Servant Leadership** (includes the 5 “S’s” of leadership; performances of good deeds throughout the campus; learning Christ-like examples)
- Listening** (includes verbal and non-verbal skills; active and passive listening)
- Six Pillars of Character** (includes trustworthiness, respect, fairness, citizenship, responsibility, caring)
- Assemblies and Special Events** (includes SOAR program, Red Ribbon Week, Spirit Week, and others)
- Community Outreach** (includes Silver Service Project, Canned Food Drive, and others)
- Featured Teachers** (includes honoring a different teacher each week)
- Publicity** (includes poster making and other ways of communicating events to the entire school)

Student Materials:

None; All supplies needed for various activities are provided by the school

Teacher Materials:

The Bible; Developing Healthy Self-Esteem in Adolescents (pub. By Good Apple); Living To Serve (ACSI); Who I Am and Who I Want To Be (Walch); Developing Spiritual Growth in Junior High Students (Youth Specialties); Good Ideas to Help Young People Develop Good Character (Josephson Institute of Ethics); You Decide – Making Responsible Choices (Instructional Fair)