

# HUN



## GENERAL ELECTION 2010 CANDIDATES PACKET rev. 2010 0406

Shading indicates changes from last year's Packet.

### Offices:

- President-General and Vice President-General from entire student body
- President and Vice President for each rising Class

### Qualifications

- Must be in good standing to run
- Must submit a valid Petition of Candidacy on or before the given deadline to be on the ballot.
- Must present a speech to his/her prospective constituents.
- May serve only while in good standing (academic and disciplinary).
- May serve only as long as office is executed effectively and in good faith.
- A student may run for multiple offices by submitting a separate petition for each. Candidates who win a higher office (schoolwide versus class-specific) will be removed from the lower races.
- Each candidate must submit a separate petition for each office sought. There are no tickets. Multiple names on one petition will invalidate all candidates on that petition.

Elections are on **2010 Apr 27 and 28.**

The election will be conducted according to Instant Runoff Voting, wherein each voter ranks the candidates for each office.

### Nominations include a speech

- No more than three (3) minutes.
- Must be reviewed by a Faculty Speech Advisor and signed by same.
- Must be available to the Student Council Advisor prior to presentation.

Mar 31	Wed	∞ Petitions of Candidacy available.
Apr 8	Tue	∞ Candidates' Meeting : Activities Period, Room 128
Apr 14	Wed	∞ Candidates' Meeting : Activities Period, Room 128
Apr 21	Wed	Petitions of Candidacy due back to Mr. Gilroy or the Elections Commissioner
Apr 26	Mon	Special Hun TV: All-School Speeches
Apr 27	Tue	Class-Specific Speeches
May 4 May 5	Tue Wed	GENERAL ELECTIONS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities Period, 4th, 5th, 6th Period : Extra Help Period</li> <li>• Balloting shall be conducted in the Heart of Hun lobby.</li> </ul>

*Being elected an Officer of the Student Council is an honor and a trust vested in you by your peers. Serving as an elected Officer of the Student council is a privilege and a promise made to your peers. **If you cannot take this seriously, do not run.***

Elected office in the Student Council is one of the highest positions available to a student. While reasonable accommodation will be made, in the event of a conflict between your duties as a Council officer and other activities/sports in which you participate, the requirements of the Council must come first. If you cannot make this commitment, **do not run**. Failure to comply will be grounds for removal from office by the Advisor to the Student Council.

## Duties of the Officers

The **Student Council President-General** shall

- Serve as primary spokesperson for the Student Body to the administration and faculty.
- Serve, *ex officio*, on the School Life Committee.
- Have the power to serve on, or name delegates to, such administrative or Board committees as may request student representation.
- With the Student Council Advisor, have control of the Student Council budget and account, with authority to draw funds from same.
- Call and preside over all Student Council meetings, unless he/she names a proxy for such duties.
- Set the agenda for meetings of the Student Council.
  - This agenda is to be sent to officers no later than two days before the meeting.
- Be responsible for monitoring and enforcing the active participation of all officers.
- Call Class Meetings and Meetings of the Student Body
- Coordinate programming and fundraising among the various Classes.
- Put forth nominations for the Student Council Faculty Recognition Prize.
- Have power to name appointed Commissioners, to serve with the consent of the Student Council and at the pleasure of the President-General.
- Coordinate and preside over regularly-scheduled School-wide assemblies.

The **Student Council Vice President-General** shall

- Preside over the functioning of the Student Council in the absence of the President-General.
- Succeed to the office of President-General in the event of the resignation, removal, or extended incapacity of the President-General.
- Assist the President-General in ensuring the smooth operation of the Student Council.
- Attend meetings of the Student Council as called by the President-General.
- Coordinate publicity for Student Council initiatives and events.
  - This shall include maintenance of the Student Council bulletin board.

Each **Class President** shall

- Preside over and set agenda for Class Meetings
- With the Class Advisor(s), have control of the budget and account for the Class, with authority to draw funds from same.
- Serve as primary spokesperson for the Class.
- Serve as chief coordinator for the activities, events, and actions of the Class.
- Attend meetings of the Student Council as called by the President-General.
- Communicate regularly with the Student Council President-General and the Student Council Advisor
- Email weekly to the President-General, informing him/her of the activities and plans of the Class.
  - This email is to be sent no later than four (4) days prior to the next meeting of the Student Council
- With the Vice President of the Class, solicit faculty members as Class Advisors, should those positions become vacant.

Each **Class Vice President** shall

- Preside over Class Meetings in the absence of the Class President.
- Communicate regularly with his/her Class President and with the Student Council President-General.
- Succeed to the office of Class President in the event of the resignation, removal, or extended incapacity of the Class President.
- Aid the Class President in organizing class activities and in meeting the goals of the Class.
- Attend meetings of the Student Council as called by the President-General.

Every Student Council officer shall

- Attend an evening meeting before the start of the school year for purposes of coordination.
- Attend regularly the meetings of the Student Council, as called by the President-General or Advisor. Numerous absences shall be considered grounds for removal. This includes regularly scheduled meetings and ad hoc after-school meetings.
  - Should a regularly-scheduled meeting be pre-empted by the School or external events (e.g., snow days), the Student Council shall meet during the next regular Activities Period and all members shall be expected to attend.
- Ensure that his/her contact information is up to date and known to the Advisor and the President-General (or designee).
- Check his/her electronic mail box regularly. Failure to maintain regular contact with the President-General or Student Council Advisor shall be considered grounds for removal. Although the President-General will make reasonable effort to keep contact, the ultimate responsibility will rest on each member to make sure the he/she is well-informed and in communication.
- Attend Student Council events. While perfect attendance would be unreasonable to expect, conspicuous absence from multiple events will be considered a dereliction of duty.
- Support Student Council initiatives.

Class	Primary Event	Other Events
Senior	Senior Trip	Homecoming Dance
Junior	Junior/Senior Prom	Back-to-School Dance; Poinsettia Sale
Sophomore	Faculty Hoops	Pre-Founders Fest Dance
Freshman	Freshman Formal	?

Council-Wide Events: Talent Show, Spirit Week, Senior Auction; Founders Fest; Blood Drive

At his/her option, the President-General may appoint Commissioners to aid in the efficient execution of Student Council initiatives. The number of Commissioners shall never exceed one-half the number of Elected Officers; currently, there could be up to five (5) Commissioners. Commissioners required the approval of a simple majority of the Elected Officers of the Student Council. Once in office, each Commissioner exercises a vote equivalent to an elected officer.