**Hope Chinese School 2016-2017 Student Council Election Information**

A message from your Student Council:

StuCO election season is starting as our terms as drawing to a close! We encourage you to get involved by spreading the word, voting, helping candidates run their campaigns, and even running for office yourself.

Election Day: April 16th, 2016

Place: BP5

Time: Halfway during 2nd Period Chinese, 2:10 pm

All HCS students are invited to vote at our election. All candidates for the 2016-2017 school year student governing board will be giving short speeches. Election results will be posted in the office (Classroom B) the week after Election Day (April N+7th, 2016). We hope to see you there!

We encourage you to join Student Council this year. To give a general idea, our role as the student body government is to:

* Maintain the campus
* Organize and plan school events
* Oversee fundraising for the school and other projects
* In general, make Hope Chinese School a fun experience for you!

So, if you are interesting in running for a position on Student Council, please fill out the attached form by [Due Date] to the Applications Box at the Front Office.

Finally, if you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact any one of our current StuCO members.

Brian Yu, President

Ruby Gao, High School Vice President

Alyssa, Middle School Vice President

Angela He, Secretary

Daniel Hsu, Treasurer

Kevin Zou, Co-Treasurer

Jasmine, Publicity Coordinator

Angela Zhang, Event Coordinator

Angela Chen, Representative of Art and Music

Matthew Wang, Representative of Athletics

**Hope Chinese School 2016-2017 Student Council Application Form**

Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade/Chinese Class:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Age:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Check the position you wish to run for. Responsibilities are listed below:

\_\_\_\_\_ President

\_\_\_\_\_ High School Vice President

\_\_\_\_\_ Middle School Vice President

\_\_\_\_\_ Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_ Treasurer

\_\_\_\_\_ Publicity Coordinator

\_\_\_\_\_ Event Coordinator

\_\_\_\_\_ Representative of Art and Music

\_\_\_\_\_ Representative of Athletics

President:

* Represents HS students
* Oversees the entire Student Council
* Responsible for planning and running meetings
* Sending email notifications (introducing new events, fundraisers, etc.)
* Keep in contact with school administration for any new information

HS Vice President: (Must be in high school- 9th to 10th grade Chinese)

* Represents HS students (informs President about any opinions/concerns of HS students)
* Helps President with duties

MS President: (Must be in middle school- 6th to 8th grade Chinese)

* Represents MS students (informs President about any opinions/concerns of MS students)
* Helps President with duties

Secretary:

* Takes notes during meetings+ distributes to other members
* Records absences of other members
* Writes end-of-the-year summary on StuCO achievements

Treasurer:

* Keeps record of sales/income/expenditures
* Responsible for allocating funds to various events/used
* Refunds families for money used to buy supplies for StuCO and school activities

Publicity Coordinator:

* Updates the StuCO website after elections/meetings/events/terms, etc.
* Maintains a StuCO social media account w/ pictures from events, updates, etc.
* Works with school administration to contact outside organizations/businesses for events, etc.

Event Coordinator:

* Responsible for spreading the word about events through posters, flyers, etc.
* Mainly responsible for planning events/fundraisers

Representative of Art and Music:

* Represents the activities of art and music classes in StuCO
* Mainly responsible for contributing ideas to school events

Representative of Athletics:

* Represents the activities of athletics classes in StuCO
* Mainly responsible for contributing ideas to school events

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Check here if you would like to prepare a brief PWP presentation for the election.
2. Please write a short biography about yourself including an introduction, your qualifications, etc.
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* You will be required to attend StuCO meetings and events, if possible. These may be held at school/or off campus, and may be held on Saturdays or Sundays. A valid excuse is necessary to skip meetings/events. Too many absences may result in the early termination of your term.
* You will be expected to check your email at least weekly to receive StuCO, school event, meeting, etc. notifications.
* You will be expected to keep a high conduct of behavior on campus. The Student Council represents leadership, responsibility, and integrity. If you are caught misbehaving or violating any of these principles, you may be subject to removal from office.

**Qualifications, Guidelines, and Tips for Candidates**

Thank you for your interest in joining StuCO!

However, we first have a few guidelines and qualifications for our candidates. You *must*:

* Be at least in 6th grade in your standard school
* Attend at least one course at HCS
* Be responsible, well-organized, hard-working, etc.

So, the election season begins as of today! It is suggested that you make posters/flyers to place around campus. (However, they must be collected at the end of every Saturday/school day.)

On Election Day, you will have exactly 2 minutes to make a speech (can be in English, Chinese, or both, if you are ambitious) in order to convince fellow students to vote for you. It is encouraged that you include an introduction, qualifications, etc.

All candidates will also be given the opportunity to make a PowerPoint presentation with a maximum of 5 slides. (If you wish to do so, send the presentation in an attachment to [example@gmail.com](mailto:example@gmail.com), Subject: HCS StuCO Election PP. In the body, please include your name and the position you are running for.)

Good luck, and may the odds be ever in your favor ☺