

CONSTITUTION
OF THE
ASSOCIATED STUDENTS
OF
MOUNTAIN VIEW HIGH SCHOOL

PREAMBLE

We, the students of Mountain View High School, in order to bring about a more perfect spirit of unity, promote scholarships, encourage school activities, teach sportsmanship, establish justice, advance morality, give experience in leadership and broaden the fields of our service, establish this Constitution.

ARTICLE I - EXECUTIVE BRANCH

SECTION I - STUDENT COUNCIL

The executive power of the Associated Students of Mountain View High School will be vested in the student council.

The Executive Council will be composed of:

0. Student Council Advisors
1. Student Body President
2. Student Body Vice President
3. Student Body Secretary
4. Student Body Historian

The remaining positions on Student Council will be composed of:

5. Student Body Programs
6. Student Body Public Relations
7. Student Body Activities
8. Student Body Publicity (1 English-speaking and 1 Spanish-speaking)
9. Designers (2)
10. Hope Squad Representative
11. Student Body Service
12. Pep Representative
13. Multicultural Representative
14. Technology Representative
15. Executive Cabinet Members (2)
16. Senior Class President
17. Senior Class Vice President
18. Senior Class Secretary
19. Senior Class Historian
20. Junior Class President
21. Junior Class Vice President
22. Junior Class Secretary
23. Junior Class Activities
24. Sophomore Class Representatives (4)

25. To be a member of the Student Council the officer:

- a. Must maintain high moral and ethical standards, good conduct and obey the laws of our country and our school.
- b. Must have a 3.0 or better GPA (see nominations) and must maintain a 3.0 or better GPA throughout the term of office.
- c. Must be a senior (except for Junior and Sophomore Class positions).

26. The Student Council will serve and represent the student body in activity planning and in presenting suggestions, regulations, and bylaws necessary for the students of the school. The student council will assume official duties at the close of the regular school year in which they are elected.

SECTION II - DUTIES OF STUDENT COUNCIL

1. The ***STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT*** will:

- a. Preside at all assemblies, meetings of student government, the Student Clubs Coalition and at all student activities.
 - b. Be or appoint the official representative for the students of the school in all meetings requiring student representation.
 - c. Appoint special committees to assist the Student Council.
 - d. Work closely with the Administration.
 - e. Delegate his/her power to other student body officers.
 - f. Act as head of one or more standing committees.
 - g. Assign a post evaluation for each major activity.
 - h. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.
2. The **STUDENT BODY VICE PRESIDENT** will:
- a. Take charge in the absence of the President.
 - b. Preside at all assemblies, meetings of student government and at all student activities.
 - c. Delegate his/her power to other student body officers.
 - d. Take charge of and conduct student council elections.
 - e. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.
3. The **STUDENT BODY SECRETARY** will:
- a. Take roll at all official meetings of the student council including class and other activities.
 - b. See that the minutes of those meetings are taken and promptly filed and maintained.
 - c. Take care of all necessary correspondence, ballot preparation and business for the council.
 - d. Assist the President in organizing and preparing all announcements for the student body.
 - e. Preside over the student body functions in the absence of the Student Body President or Student Body Vice President.
 - f. Under the guidance of the President, prepare the agenda for those formal meetings over which the President presides.
 - g. Assist the Executive Vice President in planning and conducting school elections.
 - h. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.
4. The **STUDENT BODY HISTORIAN** will:
- a. Prepare a school history (video/scrapbook) as determined by the Student Council at the beginning of the year.
 - b. Be responsible for getting information to local press and the school newspaper and collating press copies for the school history.
 - c. Coordinate with the newspaper and yearbook advisors in submitting photos of royalty and any other activities conducted by the Student Council.
 - d. Collect post evaluations of each activity.
 - e. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.
5. The **STUDENT BODY PROGRAMS** will:
- a. Assist in planning and scheduling student council activities.
 - b. Coordinate with historians for the preparation of all videos and special presentations during assemblies.
 - c. Assume responsibility for the supervision of all assembly script writing and planning for Sophomore Day, Hi Week and Homecoming Week assemblies.
 - d. See that all assembly scripts are written on a timely basis and submitted to the advisor and tech crew for approval.

- e. Under the direction of the advisor, supervise all rehearsals for assemblies.
 - f. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.
 - g. Gather music and videos for the techies to play during assemblies.
6. The **STUDENT BODY PUBLIC RELATIONS** will:
- a. Function as a liaison between the Student Council, teachers, the PTSA (involving parents, students and the community), and other MV clubs in executing student activities.
 - b. Plan and coordinate any special "week" activities as proposed by the Student Council and the Administration.
 - c. Be responsible for planning and coordinating activities between Mountain View Student Council and other student councils in the region.
 - d. Coordinate school participation in activities sponsored by the community.
 - e. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.
7. The **STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES** will:
- a. Organize and delegate assignments for those school activities and dances assigned to the Student Council such as Back to School, Homecoming, Monster Mash, Preference and Black Light Stomp.
 - b. Organize and inventory the decorations in the closet as well as order new decorations if necessary.
 - c. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.
8. The **STUDENT BODY PUBLICITY (ENGLISH-SPEAKING & SPANISH-SPEAKING)** will:
- a. Be responsible for publicity of school functions and activities in English & Spanish.
 - b. Coordinate and assign sign making for all advertised activities in English & Spanish.
 - c. See that signs and posters are hung appropriately and removed on a timely basis.
 - d. Assume responsibility for assigning and scheduling all announcements in English & Spanish.
 - e. Assist the President in organizing and preparing all announcements for the student body in English & Spanish.
 - f. Work with the Student Body Programs in contacting and coordinating publicity for the school newspaper and yearbook in English & Spanish.
 - g. Post announcements, information and pictures on school Social Media accounts in English & Spanish to promote school spirit, inclusion and awareness.
 - h. Manage the cased school calendar in the commons.
 - i. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.
9. The **DESIGNERS** will:
- a. Be responsible for all artistic designs as needed by the Student Council.
 - b. Work with the Student Body Publicity in organizing all signs and other publicity assignments.
 - c. Assist the Student Body Activities in planning and assigning dance decorations.
 - d. Coordinate decorations for the school and oversee that the decorations are taken down within a reasonable amount of time
 - e. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.
10. The **HOPE SQUAD REPRESENTATIVE** will:
- a. Be an active member of Hope Squad during the school year in office.
 - b. Function as a liaison between the Student Council and the Hope Squad.
 - i. Gets the hope squad involved with Student Council activities.

- ii. Gets Student Council involved in Hope Days.
- c. Assist in planning and preparing for Hope Week during the school year.
- d. Conducts “Hope Moments” for the Student Council (Suicide prevention training, self care, mental illness, inspiration, etc.) (Get ideas from the hope squad and Mr. Smith)
- e. Update Hope Squad advisor frequently.
- f. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

11. The **STUDENT BODY SERVICE** will:

- a. Function as the liaison between the Student Council and any organized service project throughout the school year.
- b. Assist in planning and preparing for special “weeks” during the school year including “Make-a-Wish Week” and the school Food Drive.
- c. Work with the advisor over the Bruin Pantry to keep it stocked, organized and distributed as needed and coordinate/manage a Student Council committee which helps with the pantry
- d. With an advisor, plan monthly Student Council service projects
- e. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

12. The **PEP REPRESENTATIVE** will:

- a. Initiate and carry out new programs to promote school spirit and attendance at school events for sports and arts.
- b. Function as a liaison between the Student Council, Cheerleaders, Bruin Crazy's, and other spirit organizations.
- c. Be in continual communication with the Athletic Director and Arts Director about events.
- d. Assist the Student Body Programs in planning and preparing pep assemblies.
- e. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

13. The **MULTICULTURAL REPRESENTATIVE** will:

- a. Function as a liaison between the Student Council and any of the different cultures represented at school.
- b. Actively promote multicultural awareness and understanding within the Student Council and the student body.
- c. Assist in planning and preparing for the Multicultural Week/Assembly and activities.
- d. Plan, conduct and run “Student Clubs Coalition” meetings once a month to discuss calendar items, requests for help and issues in the school.
 - i. The Student Clubs Coalition meeting shall include, but not be limited to, the Student Body President, Multicultural Representative, a member of the LIA presidency, a member of the Multicultural presidency, a member of the POP presidency, etc.
- e. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

14. The **TECHNOLOGY REPRESENTATIVE** will:

- a. Film and edit video announcements and assist with any other videos.
- b. Assist with all technical aspects of video and audio equipment for assemblies, dances and activities including running the music, octagon, microphone and lights.
- c. Adding stage directions and commands to scripts for assemblies.
- d. Be responsible for maintaining technical equipment.
- e. Set-up and take down equipment for assemblies and dances.
- f. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

15. The **EXECUTIVE CABINET MEMBERS** will:

- a. Assist Advisor in recording and communicating finances and budgets
- b. Continually manage and update an inventory of Student Council items
 - i. Keep items in room and closet organized
 - ii. Receive purchase requests from Student Council members
 - iii. Give a purchase request list to the advisor weekly
- c. Work with SB Service and advisor to run the Bruin Pantry
- d. Once a month give report of the finances and Bruin Pantry in a Student Council meeting
- e. Take notes of the minutes at Student Clubs Coalition meetings
- f. Plan monthly Student Council "Bonding Activities"
- g. Assist Student Council Advisors as needed
- h. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

16. The **SENIOR CLASS PRESIDENT** will:

- a. Conduct senior class meetings
- b. Communicates frequently with the senior class advisor
- c. Lead graduation
- d. Help plan senior week/sunrise/sunset/etc.
- e. Function as a liaison between Mountain View Seniors and the Student Council
- f. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

17. The **SENIOR CLASS VICE PRESIDENT** will:

- a. Conducts senior class meetings when the president is absent
- b. Lead tassel turn at graduation
- c. Help plan senior week/sunrise/sunset/etc.
- d. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

18. The **SENIOR CLASS SECRETARY** will:

- a. Take notes (minutes) during senior class meetings
- b. Keep track of finances for the senior class
- c. Help with all senior activities
- d. Communicates frequently with senior class advisor
- e. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

19. The **SENIOR CLASS HISTORIAN** will:

- a. Work with the Student Body Historian to make the graduation video
- b. Help with all senior activities
- c. Help make all videos with Student Body Historian
- d. Read the accomplishments of the year at graduation
- e. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

20. The **JUNIOR CLASS PRESIDENT** will:

- a. Conduct junior class meetings
- b. Communicate frequently with junior class advisor
- c. Help plan junior week and prom
- d. Function as a liaison between Mountain View Juniors and the Student Council
- e. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

21. The **JUNIOR CLASS VICE PRESIDENT** will:
 - a. Conduct junior class meetings when president is absent
 - b. Help plan junior week and prom
 - c. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

22. The **JUNIOR CLASS SECRETARY** will:
 - a. Take notes (minutes) during junior class meetings
 - b. Keeps track of finances for the junior class
 - c. Help with all junior activities
 - d. Communicates frequently with junior class advisor
 - e. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

23. The **JUNIOR CLASS ACTIVITIES** will:
 - a. Plans and helps with all junior class activities
 - b. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

24. The **SOPHOMORE CLASS REPRESENTATIVES (4)** will:
 - a. Helps with Sophomore Day and Hi Week
 - b. Function as a liaison between Mountain View Sophomores and the Student Council
 - c. Accept other responsibilities as assigned by the Executive Council.

ARTICLE II - BYLAWS

The Student Council may adopt bylaws for the governing of the student body and present them in any Council meeting. Bylaws will take effect when passed with a two-thirds majority vote of a combined meeting of the Student Council and with approval of the administration.

ARTICLE III - ELECTIONS

SECTION I - ELECTION COMMITTEE

The Student Council Advisor, Administrators, Student Body Vice President and Student Body Secretary will serve as the Elections Committee.

SECTION II - NOMINATIONS

1. All Student Council offices will be determined by election except for the Executive Cabinet Members which will be through application and appointment.

2. Students who qualify and want to run for a Student Council office will petition for the office. Petitions must be signed by fifty Mountain View students and turned into the Elections Committee. Petitions will be checked by the committee members for qualifications, and reviewed by the Student Council advisor.

3. Once students have petitioned, they will receive and submit an answered questionnaire/portfolio, teacher evaluations, and appear before the interview committee. Scores earned through these prerequisites will comprise 60% of their qualifying scores (20% for each of the three categories).

4. Once a petition for a class or student body office has been submitted, it may be withdrawn. To change the office indicated, a new petition may be submitted. A student may run for only one office at a time.

SECTION III - PRIMARY ELECTIONS

1. The primary elections will determine two finalists for each office. The primary elections will take place on the last day of the first week of elections. The selection will be based on 60% for questionnaire/portfolio, teacher evaluations, and interview (20% for each of the three categories); and 40% popular vote.
2. During Primary Elections Week, a video presentation will be shown on video announcements in order to introduce the candidates to the student body.

SECTION IV - FINAL ELECTIONS

1. The final elections will be the second week of elections.
2. Upon completion of the primary election, the two finalists for each office will draw for the campaign party: Gold or Cardinal Red.
3. The candidates will flip a coin to determine who will appear first or last at the election assembly.
4. An election assembly will be held on the last day of final election week before the student body votes. Each party will present a fifteen minute show and the candidates for President and Executive Vice President will each give a one-two minute speech.
5. Final selection of Student Council members will be based on 60% for questionnaire/portfolio, teacher evaluations, and interview (20% for each of the three categories); and 40% popular vote.
6. On the last day of the final election, an election assembly will be held where the names of the new student body officers will be announced.
7. Executive Cabinet Member Appointment Process:
 - a. One to two weeks after final elections, the administration will open nominations for this position.
 - b. Any upcoming senior can be nominated for this position by one of the following:
 - i. Administration
 - ii. Student Council Advisor
 - iii. Upcoming Student Council members
 - c. The 5 nominees that received the most nominations will proceed with the nomination process.
 - d. The administrators will extend the offer to the nominee and the nominee can accept or decline the nomination.
 - e. If the nominees accept the nomination, they will submit a portfolio (following the same guidelines as the election candidates) by the deadline and be interviewed by the nomination committee.
 - f. The administration will choose the final two nominees to be appointed to the office of Executive Cabinet Member.

SECTION V - ELECTION RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Each candidate may have two (2) individual posters in the hall during the final elections.
2. Each campaign party (Red or Gold) may have two (2) group posters during the final elections.
3. Locker stuffing, flyers on cars and illegally reproduced printed matter will not be permitted during elections.
4. No off-campus campaigning will be allowed.
5. No posters or similar materials will be allowed outside the school building.
6. Total expenses for the student body elections will not exceed the limit set for each candidate by the Election Committee. This includes all materials purchased and donated. A financial report needs to be turned in by each candidate to the Election Committee.
7. Each candidate will be responsible for having his campaign posters, displays and behavior in keeping with the rules of these bylaws and the standards as established by the Election Committee.

8. Enforcement of these rules will be adhered to and punishment will be administered by the Election Committee.

SECTION VI - SOPHOMORE ELECTIONS

1. Elections will take place in the two Junior High Schools and the positions will be as follows:
 - a. Two Sophomore Class Representatives elected from Lakeridge Junior High School.
 - b. Two Sophomore Class Representatives elected from Orem Junior High School.
2. Each candidate must be in the ninth grade to participate in elections.
3. All candidates will abide by campaign rules and regulations as set by their respective schools.
4. In order to run for sophomore elections, each candidate must meet the grade requirements as set by Article IV, Section VII of the Constitution of the Associated Students of Mountain View High School.

SECTION VII - GRADES

1. To be eligible to run for office, candidates for student body or class officers must have a 3.0 or above GPA from either their cumulative GPA or from all grades given thus far in the school year. If at any point during the election process, the student is found to be ineligible, they will immediately be removed from the election.
2. Candidates must have no failing grades in citizenship during the current years which have not been made up prior to turning in an election petition.
3. If an elected student officer receives a GPA below 3.0 at the end of a term he or she will be placed on probation. If a student on probation fails to correct his/her grades and receives another term grade below 3.0, he or she will be removed from office. That officer's duties will then be shared by the remaining officers until the vacancy is filled. (See section VIII.)

SECTION VIII - VACANCIES IN OFFICE

If a vacancy in a class or student body office occurs during the school year, the vacancy may be filled by the candidate with the next highest score who ran for that position or, if not available, by application. Depending on the vacancy, this would take place under the direction of certain Student Council members, Student Council advisors and the administration.

SECTION IX - LIMITATION OF OFFICE

In order to increase student body involvement, students holding the following positions can hold no other office: Student Council member.

SECTION X - IMPEACHMENT

1. To be impeached a member must:
 - a. Commit a flagrant, purposeful or repeated violation of school or public law.
 - b. Fail to dutifully comply with responsibilities of his or her office.
2. Procedure for impeachment of any Student Body Officer member is as follows:
 - a. Possible grounds for impeachment will be brought before the Student Council by a member of that council.
 - b. The Student Council will have power to try impeachments. The Executive Vice President will preside over the council to maintain constitutionality of the proceeding, except in case of impeachment of the Student Body President or Executive Vice President. In such a case, the Principal will preside. To remove the impeached officer requires a two-thirds majority of the student council in favor of removal.

ARTICLE IV - GENERAL PROVISIONS

SECTION I - NAME & EMBLEM

The name of this organization will be the Associated Students of Mountain View High School. The official emblem is MV.

SECTION II - MASCOT

The official mascot is a Bruin.

SECTION III - COLORS

The official colors of this organization will be cardinal red, gold and white.

SECTION IV - DUTIES AND POWERS

1. It will be the duty of each class President to represent his/her class and to further the welfare of the class. They will be responsible for an assembly and dance sponsored by the class as well as any other class activities.
2. It will be the duty of the editors of the yearbook and school newspaper to be responsible for the publication of the yearbook and the school newspaper under the direction of the advisors.
3. It will be the duty of the Executive Council to stimulate activities of the school, represent the school in inter-school activities of the school, represent the school in inter-school discussions and help formulate policies and rules for the good of the school.
4. It will be the duty of all other recognized school organizations in keeping with the student body constitution and school policies.
5. All Executive and Legislative power is delegated by the Principal.

SECTION VI - CLUBS

1. All clubs and societies will:
 - a. Exist for the benefit of all students of the school.
 - b. Extend membership opportunities to all registered students.
 - c. Be organized in such a way that membership cannot be determined even in part, by the popular vote of the present membership of the club.
 - d. Submit charters, constitutions and bylaws which will be approved by school faculty, the superintendent and the Board of Education.
 - e. Be under the sponsorship of one or more faculty members.
 - f. Hold meetings only when an advisor is present.
2. Clubs failing to meet these provisions are unauthorized and may not conduct any activities at school.

SECTION VII - ROYALTY

1. A student may be elected royalty only once a year. Once chosen King, Queen or Attendant they are no longer eligible that year and their name may not appear on any additional royalty ballot.
2. Royalty policy affects the following dances: Homecoming, Preference, Sweethearts, and Junior Prom.
3. Members of Student Council are not eligible as royalty during their time in office.

ARTICLE V - ENACTMENT

This Constitution will become effective immediately following the majority vote of the Associated Students of Mountain View. *The original constitution was approved by the Associated Students of Mountain View on March 10, 1992.*

ARTICLE VI - AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION

Any student may present an amendment to this constitution, in writing, signed by fifty active members of the student body. The Student Body President will then present the proposed amendment to the Student Council for consideration. A decision will be made by a two-thirds majority vote of the Student Council during a duly authorized meeting. The amendment will then be sent to the Administration for final approval.

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