

FOHS Student Council

2025-26 Syllabus

Commitment
Sincerity Integrity Service Acceptance
FORTOSAGE
STUDENT COUNCIL
Courage Leadership Kindness

LEADERSHIP CLASS SYLLABUS 2025-26

A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

As a co-curricular class, the *Leadership* course has obligations both during class and beyond regular school hours. Attendance at STUCO-sponsored events is required and is included in the student's evaluation. We do good things and you are why that happens!

B. GRADING

The standard A/B/C/D/F grading scale will be used. See *Student Handbook*. This course allows you to earn 1 Unit of Elective Credit. You will be evaluated in the following categories:

1. Classroom Leadership & Work Ethic: Self-evaluation and advisor evaluation.
2. Service Projects: Personal leadership projects; subject to approval and STUCO's goals.
3. Leadership Lessons: Assignments based on the course curriculum.
4. Committee Work: Based on self-evaluation, chair's evaluation, and advisor evaluation.
5. STUCO Events: 8 points per hour of a required event.

C. POLICIES & PROCEDURES

1. Work on STUCO during STUCO. Time is our most valuable resource. Use it well.
2. Devices – No cell phone use bell to bell unless for STUCO-related work.
3. Work is due when it's due. If you turn in work late, the max you can earn is 80% of the points possible. Late work is accepted until the end of the quarter during which it was assigned. Doing work by deadlines is an important workplace skill.
4. Being on time means you are in the classroom and ready to start at the bell. No restroom passes the first or last 10 minutes of class, as per building policy.
5. Use the check-out system and be honest. This privilege will be revoked if misused. If you need to miss another teacher's class for STUCO, that must be arranged ahead of time and approved by that classroom teacher. Passes are managed with your STUCO badge for STUCO business and E-Hall Pass for restrooms and personal business.
6. Cleanup is everyone's responsibility.
7. The STUCO Calendar is posted in Classroom, and the Google Site link has been shared with you and your parent/caregiver. Put required STUCO events on your calendar asap and add additional ones as they're scheduled. If you have a conflict, **email** Mrs. Burnett at least two weeks ahead of the event date. There are no excused absences. If you miss a required event, it's a zero for that event. There are opportunities to "earn back" points from missed events by helping with additional, non-required STUCO events and tasks. You are encouraged to find ways to serve on behalf of STUCO to make up points. Pre-approval is required; just chat with Mrs. Burnett.
8. Your presence is important and your absence has an effect on the entire council and its events. Attendance and being on time are a priority. You are part of a group, and you are an important part of STUCO's success!

D. TEXTBOOK / REQUIRED READING

There is no textbook. We will do a book study during one semester. The title will be made available at the beginning of the semester.

E. EXPECTATIONS

1. LEADERS TAKE CARE OF THEIR PEOPLE

- Don't leave others out.
- Help carry things, pick up, clean up, hold open doors.
- Respect other people's right to have opinions different from yours and don't put them down for

believing in them.

2. WHEN SOMETHING NEEDS TO BE DONE, “STEP UP & DO IT!”

- Take initiative! Ask what needs to be done and how you can help.
- Don’t wait for others to do the work.

3. GET INVOLVED

- Have fun.
- Put 100% effort into achieving our goals and making this year a success.
- Make a difference in our school community.

4. BE THE EXAMPLE

- Listen to people/presentations/speakers (not texting - cell phone courtesy.)
- Arrive on time, be committed, show up and do the work: “*If you’re on time, you’re late; and if you’re early, you’re on time!*”
- Bring ideas/pens/notebook to class/meetings.
- Be the example at and outside of school.

F. COLLEGE CREDIT / Dual Enrollment Information

You may earn three hours (3 HRS) of college credit for LDST 102: *Project Management* through Drury University. Enrollment is open to students grades 10-12 with a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA. Cost is \$70 per credit hour, so \$210 for the course, and payment will be due when you enroll online for the course. Course enrollment will be available for the spring semester (January - May, 2025). Service learning and community service are key components for the college credit and will be fulfilled with your personal leadership project. More information will be provided in October prior to the registration window.

G. SUPPLIES

Bring your Chromebook and earbuds that work with your Chromebook daily. A notebook and pen/pencil, too.

H. IDs

You will be provided a STUCO ID badge and lanyard. IDs are to be worn any time you are out of the classroom during 5th hour and must be returned at the end of each class period. If you do not have your ID, you may not leave the room for STUCO-related work; other passes (restroom, nurse, etc) will still be managed through E-Hall Pass.

I. FIELD TRIPS

We may have field trips, some that we take as part of the course curriculum and others that may be optional / invitation only. To attend a field trip, all course grades must be a D or above. Refunds cannot be made after a member has signed up and/or money has been collected for a field trip.

J. STUCO LETTER

Letter requirements are in a separate document provided in Google Classroom and on the STUCO Google Site. Letter points are due two weeks before the April banquet.

K. STUCO ELIGIBILITY, MEMBERSHIP, and REMOVAL

The *Student Council Constitution* outlines eligibility requirements for members, and these must be maintained throughout the year. A copy of the *Student Council Constitution* was provided when you decided to run for office, is posted in Classroom, and was shared with your parent/caregiver. Please refer to this document for questions regarding continued membership, consequences for not meeting STUCO expectations, and disciplinary actions including removal from the council.