

**Constitution**  
**Of**  
**The Student Council**  
**Of**  
**Madison Middle School**

**ARTICLE I**

Name

The name of this organization shall be the Madison Middle School Student Council, hereafter referred to as the Student Council

**ARTICLE II**

Purpose

Section 1: The purpose of the Student Council shall be:

- a. To develop and promote student responsibility in the school and community
- b. To develop and promote student activity in the school organization.
- c. To develop cooperation among member of the student body.

Section 2: The Student council shall affiliate itself annually with the Mississippi Association of Student Councils, and when advisable, the National Association of Student Councils and the Southern Association of Student Councils.

**ARTICLE III**

Membership

Section 1: The membership of the Student Council shall be made up of:

- a. The Officers who serve for the scholastic year for which he/she is elected as long as he/she maintains the membership requirement. ( Article IV Section 3)

- b. Representatives will be elected from 1<sup>st</sup> block to serve for the scholastic year for which he/she is elected as long as he/she maintains the membership requirement. (Section 3)
- c. The Advisors

Section 2: The qualifications of the Student Council Members shall be:

- a. To have and maintain a 70 average in each subject.
- b. To be of outstanding moral character and meet faculty and administration approval.
- c. To have no discipline referrals to the office.
- d. To be above reproach in school citizenship.

Section 3: Dismissals and Probation

- a. A member failing to maintain a 70 average in all subjects shall be placed on probation until the next progress report or report card (whichever comes first), after which his/her probation is removed or he/she is dismissed.
- b. A member with three (3) unexcused absences will be dismissed.
- c. A member with three (3) unexcused tardies will equal one absence.
- d. A member who has been suspended from school will be dismissed.
- e. A member may be dismissed if recommended by a teacher.
- f. A member whose conduct discredits the school or Student council will be dismissed.
- g. A member sent to the office shall be put on probation. Probation is a warning- next offense dismissed.

Section 4: Each council member serves for the school year for which he/she has been elected.

## **ARTICLE IV**

### Officers

Section 1: The officers of the Student Council shall be:

- a. President
- b. Vice-President

- c. Secretary

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- d. Treasurer
- e. Reporter

Section 2: Election of Student Council Officers:

- a. The President of the Student Council shall be elected from the eighth grade and must have been on the MMS Student Council last year.
- b. The Vice-President of the Student council shall be elected from the seventh or eighth grade.
- c. The Secretary of the Student council shall be elected from the seventh or eighth grade.
- d. The Treasurer of the Student council shall be elected from the seventh or eighth grade.
- e. The Reporter of the Student council shall be elected from the seventh or eighth grade.

Section 3: Officers candidates must meet and maintain the following eligibility requirements:

- a. An 80 average in all subjects, including electives.
- b. Be of outstanding moral character and meet faculty and administration approval.
- c. Must never have been suspended.
- d. Have no discipline referrals to the office.
- e. Be above reproach in school citizenship.
- f. Candidates must meet grade requirement and have intention form signed by all current teachers and parents. This form must be delivered to advisors by deadline, **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

## ARTICLE V

### Duties

Section 1: It shall be the duty of the Student Council to:

- a. Conduct Student Council elections.
- b. Assist the administration by rendering any service beneficial to the school or the community.

Section 2: It shall be the duty of the President to:

- a. Preside at all meetings.

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- b. Call special meetings (with approval of advisor and/or principal).
- c. Appoint committees and serve as ex-officio member on each.
- d. Serve as a representative of the student body in relation to the PTO.

Section 3: It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to:

- a. Perform the duties of the president in his/her absence.
- b. Be responsible for and serve on committees.
- c. Check and record roll.

Section 4: It shall be the duty of the Secretary to:

- a. Keep all records.
- b. Take minutes of all meetings and give to advisor.

Section 5: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to:

- a. Help advisors count any money collected
- b. Keep accurate records of money received.

Section 6: It shall be the duty of the Reporter to:

- a. Make written reports to the school newspaper concerning the Student Council Activities.
- b. Make written reports to the community and local newspapers concerning Student Council activities.

Section 7: It shall be the duty of the advisor(s) to:

- a. Attend all meetings.
- b. Serve as ex-officio member of all committees.
- c. Give assistance to the Student Council when necessary.
- d. Handle all money received and paid out.

## **ARTICLE VI**

### **Supervision**

Section 1: Elections for Student Body Officers shall be held in the fall of the school year right after the 1<sup>st</sup> Progress Report goes home. Interested students must submit an application signed by their parents and current teachers. (See Article IV, Section 3, g).

## **ARTICLE VII**

### Meetings

Section 1: Meetings and activities of the Student Council shall be subject to the approval of the administration.

- a. Regular bi-monthly meetings are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:45 in the MMS Library
- b. Additional meetings may be called at the discretion of the advisor(s).

Section 2: A quorum of regular meeting of the Student council shall be majority of its membership.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### At-Large Representatives

Section 1: After Student Council officers have been elected, a list of unelected students who ran for any office will be drafted by a sponsor. Sponsors will determine the number of classes that did not elect an eligible homeroom representative and the current student enrollment. Sponsors and administrators will review the list of unelected students and select “at-large” representatives. The number of at-large representatives may change from year to year. Sponsors and administrators may assign “at-large representatives” to homerooms without an elected representative or “at-large” positions to represent the entire student population.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### Amendments

Section 1: Proposals:

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- a. Request for amendment shall be made in writing by any member of the Student Council.
- b. The proposed amendment shall be open for floor debate; it shall be the right of any Student Council member to question the validity of the proposal.

Section 2: Adoption:

- a. Amendments may be added to this constitution upon being passed by a two-thirds majority of the Student Council membership and approved by the administration.

**ARTICLE X**

Schedule

This constitution of Madison Middle School shall be effective after its passage by the Student Council and by the administration.

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Principal/Date

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Advisor/Date

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