



St Patrick's Catholic School

Student Representative Council Policy



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VALUES

Justice, Servant leadership, a communication

PURPOSE

Co-community, respect

The St Patrick's Catholic School Student Representative Council has been established to enable fuller participation of students in the administrative and pastoral life of the school. The Student Representative Council is elected three times per year in order to provide leadership opportunities for a greater number of students. In its pastoral role, the Student representative Council listens to the concerns of students, academic, spiritual, social or health. It provides leadership to other students in relating to staff and visiting adults, care for other students, travelling to and from school, behaviour in the classroom and playground. In its administrative role the student body, it is active in fundraising for both itself and for the more needy.

The Student Representative Council aims:

- To provide an opportunity for class leaders to meet;
- To help students reflect on the needs, questions, ideas, etc. of individual classes.
- To give students showing leadership potential the opportunity to learn and use the techniques involved in Student Representative council meetings;
- To establish a network of class leaders that may assist staff in the management of special events (e.g. sports days);
- To encourage students to be interested and involved in school activities;
- To provide a communication channel for all students to access to the staff, school administration and the Parent and Friends Association;
- To raise funds additional funds for the purchase of equipment for students;
- To raise money for those more needy.

NOMINATION, ELECTION AND DECLARATION OF THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

1. There shall be two members from each class from Grade 1 and 5, one female and one male. They may not be nominated or elected if they served on the Student Representative Council in the previous year or term.
2. There shall be two members from Grade 6 (even if the class is a combined class, one male and one female).



3. There shall be three elections per year, one per term for members elected from Grade 1 and Grade 5. There shall be one elected at the commencement of the year for Grade 6 Student Leaders.
4. The class teacher will call for nominations for the floor. The names shall, after receiving the greatest number of votes, be given in writing to the principal who shall declare the two successful nominees. The principal's declaration shall be final.
5. The two successful Grade 6 nominees shall be 'Student Leaders'. Student leaders serve the entire school year in the role.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL COORDINATOR

The assistant to the Principal shall be appointed as Student Representative Council coordinator. The Assistant to the Principal will be responsible for the management of the Student Representative Council and will provide guidance and direction as appropriate.

CLASS TEACHERS

Teachers will provide an opportunity before each Student Representative Council meeting for students to discuss matters of interest or concern to them. Student Representative Council members should bring written notes to Student representative Council meetings. Teachers will provide an opportunity after each Student representative Council meeting for members to report back to the class.

MEETING OF THE STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

1. The Student Representative council shall meet fortnightly. The Student Representative Council coordinator or another staff member acting as coordinator shall be present.
2. Minutes will be made and distributed to all teachers and classrooms.
3. The usual meeting place shall be the staffroom.

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