

# Hatfield Student Council

The purpose of Student Council is to develop a positive school climate by involving all students in making Hatfield the best it can be. Student Council strives for good citizenship, respects all individuals in the school and community, and gives students experience in a leadership role. Student Council helps other citizens in our community through service and makes recommendations to improve the morale and spirit of Hatfield Elementary School.



## Membership:

- ✓ All students in Grades 3, 4, & 5 shall have the opportunity to be nominated, to vote, and to offer ideas to Student Council.
- ✓ Each class in grades 3, 4, and 5 shall elect class representatives. Two students will be elected from each third grade homeroom. Three students will be elected from each fourth grade homeroom. Four students will be elected from each fifth grade homeroom.
- ✓ Members shall be elected by their peers in each individual homeroom in grades 3-5.
- ✓ The student council election will take place on Thursday, November 17. **Winners will be notified on Friday, November 18.**

## Qualifications:

A student who wishes to be a candidate for the Student Council shall:

- ✓ Follow all school rules.
- ✓ Maintain a "B" average or above throughout the school year.
- ✓ Get along well with other students and adults.

## Nominations/Elections:

- ✓ Students may nominate themselves or another student.
- ✓ Students running for a Student Council Officer must write a speech to be presented in the student's homeroom class. Students will be provided a rehearsal time the day before elections to prepare.
- ✓ Teachers will decide how classroom elections are done. Third grade student can vote for two representatives from their homeroom. Fourth grade students can vote for three representatives from their homeroom. Fifth grade students can vote for four representatives from their homeroom.
- ✓ Students that receive the majority of votes shall be declared the winner.
- ✓ The term of office shall be for rest of the 2011-12 school years, beginning the date the election results are announced and ending the last day of school in June.

## Meetings:

- ✓ All meetings are run in a democratic manner.
- ✓ Council meetings shall take place at least twice (2) a month in the library during lunch.
- ✓ Each representative shall conduct class meetings at least one day before and within two days after each Student Council meeting for the purposes of gaining suggestions and reporting back about Student Council actions.

## Removal from Office:

Any officer or representative may be removed from office due to poor attendance, failure to perform required/requested duties, failure to follow school rules or class rules, or not fulfilling any of the other qualifications for student council members.