

# Harelson Elementary



Student Council  
2023-2024

**Be part of something bigger than yourself.**

# Student Council Activities & Requirements

## **Student Council Activities**

Student Council activities may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Student Council Meetings (Thursdays after school, dates to be determined)
- Spirit Days
- Community Service Projects
- Boo Grams
- Turkey Trot
- Door Decorating Contest
- Veteran's Day Breakfast
- Thanksgiving Food Drive
- Candy Cane Cart
- Sock and Underwear Drive
- Ambassadors of Science Night
- Valentine Grams
- Senior Citizen Outreach
- Fun Fest Raffle
- Diaper Drive
- PTO Meetings

## **Eligibility Requirements**

In order to be a member of the student council, student must:

- Have limited absences and tardies
- No official office discipline referrals
- Score at least a 24/30 on the Teacher Referral (turned in separately by teacher-copy included for reference)
- Available to attend Student Council meetings on Thursdays after school

# Student Council Positions

**Officers:** In order to be elected to one of these offices, qualified candidates must give a short (2-3 minutes) speech stating their intent and explaining their qualifications and plans for how they will uphold the tasks required by their position.

- **President- This position is open to 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> graders.** The class president runs council meetings with the assistance of the student council members. The president will also represent the student body in meetings with school administration members.
- **Vice President- This position is open to 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders.** The vice president assists president in many duties, including keeping order during meetings. The vice president also stands in for the president when necessary.
- **Secretary - This position is open to 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders.** The class secretary is responsible for sending out reminders about meetings and events, as well as keeping accurate record of meetings and student activities. Students interested in becoming secretary should be organized and like to write.
- **Treasurer - This position is open to 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders.** The treasurer is responsible for keeping accurate records of funds collected by the council and other school clubs. Students interested in becoming the Treasurer should be organized and be good with numbers.
- **Spirit Leader - This position is open to 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders.** The Harelson spirit leader is responsible for creating school spirit days and promoting school spirit around campus. Students interested in this position should be creative, outgoing, and charismatic.
- **Community Outreach Liaison- This position is open to 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders.** The Community Outreach Liaison is responsible for our community outreach including, the Diaper Bank of Southern Arizona, Amphi Foundation, and The Fountains at La Cholla. This person will coordinate activities to help each organization.
- **Bobcat News Anchors- This position is open to 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders. There are two seats for this position.** The Harelson Bobcat News Anchors are responsible for writing and filming the Friday announcements. Students interested in this position should be creative, outgoing, and charismatic.

# Election Process

**Step 1: Completed Application due to the office by:**

**Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> by 12:00pm**

**Step 2: Candidates Announced:**

**Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**

**candidates will be posted on the office door after lunch.**

**Step 3: General Campaigning – Hang up your campaign poster:**

**September 18<sup>th</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> on Forever Green Breezeway**

**Please use painter's tape to hang posters. No packing tape.**

Each student will be allowed to campaign for the position they desire, as long as they are following the campaigning rules.

**General Campaigning Rules:**

1. All campaigning posters must be **student created**.
2. Each student is allowed to make **one** poster.
3. These posters need to be placed in appropriate locations and removed by the end of the day on speech day.
4. Candidates may not distribute any items (i.e. candy, gum, stickers, etc.) in order to solicit votes from their classmates.
5. Candidates may not make unrealistic promises on posters or in their speeches.
6. Candidates may not make negative comments about their opponents on any campaign materials.

**Step 4: Campaign Speeches (2-3 minutes max) – done at school:**

**Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 12:45pm**

**Step 5: Voting-in Homerooms via Google forms**

**Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**Step 5: Winners declared on Morning Announcements**

**Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Step 6: First Student Council Meeting in Mrs. Dallman's Room**

**Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:05pm**

# Harelson Elementary Student Council

## Teacher Referral for Student Council-CONFIDENTIAL

The student listed below has applied to run for a position on this year's Student Council. It is important that we have students who are responsible and can represent Hareslon in the best light. Using the scale below, 5 is the highest and 1 is the lowest score, please rate the student listed for each quality. Please use the back for any additional comments.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Position Applied for: \_\_\_\_\_

**Student respects self and others**

5 4 3 2 1

**Student exhibits honest behaviors.**

5 4 3 2 1

**Student believes in self and others.**

5 4 3 2 1

**Student has a good attitude.**

5 4 3 2 1

**Student exhibits qualities of a leader.**

5 4 3 2 1

**Student has a responsible work ethic.**

5 4 3 2 1

# Application

First & Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Check the position you are interested in applying for:

- ☐ President
- ☐ Vice President
- ☐ Secretary
- ☐ Treasurer
- ☐ Community Service Liaison
- ☐ Spirit Leader
- ☐ Bobcat News Anchor

Explain why you feel that you are qualified for your chosen position.

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**I give my child permission to participate in student council  
and will pick them up at 2:45 on Thursdays meeting days.**

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# Harelsn Elementary Student Council

## Teacher Referral for Student Council-CONFIDENTIAL

The student listed below has applied to run for a position on this year's Student Council. It is important that we have students who are responsible and can represent Harelsn in the best light. Using the scale below, 5 is the highest and 1 is the lowest score, please rate the student listed for each quality. Please use the back for any additional comments.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Position Applied for: \_\_\_\_\_

**Student respects self and others**

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**Student exhibits honest behaviors.**

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**Student believes in self and others.**

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**Student has a good attitude.**

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**Student exhibits qualities of a leader.**

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**Student has a responsible work ethic.**

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