

Campaigning Procedures

Candidates for Executive Board:

Candidates may use flyers, posters, candy, or any other item that is approved by the advisor only after the candidate's application has been submitted and is approved. These items may be distributed throughout the school based on approval. Any candidate that criticizes or bashes other candidates publically will result in immediate disqualification. All other procedures are stated in the Constitution and By-Laws.

Candidates for Class Officer:

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Election Procedures & Announcement of Results

Candidates for Executive Board:

Candidates may give a 1-3 minute speech for their candidacy. After speeches, voting will occur immediately after all candidates have given a speech unless they choose not to. The election of executive board members shall be done through a hand vote. Only members in the student council may vote, with the exception of Seniors who may not. The entire student body does not vote, only council members. A candidate must receive a majority vote of those attending said meeting in order to be elected. The current President of the board shall carry out the election ensuring that all members put their heads down to vote. The advisor and the current President are in charge of the voting count. After all positions have been voted on, with the excepting of Honor Council Chairperson and Public Relations Officer because they are later appointed, the announcement of the results shall take place at said meeting by the current President. The exact count of votes for each candidate is not required to be recorded as long as the winners are. In the case that a position is vacant, the new and/or current executive board may interview candidates to fill the vacant position. The advisor may vote in this special case. A majority vote from the board is needed to appoint a candidate.

Candidates for Class Officer:

Elections for class officers shall take place during Buc Club where the entire student body is entitled to vote. Freshman class officers shall be elected in the Fall, while Sophomore, Junior, and Senior candidates shall be elected at the Spring election. Candidates that run contested may be asked to give a brief 1 to 2 minute speech on the video announcements prior to the election. A candidate does not need a certain amount of votes to be elected because there is no number defined as majority. A candidate just needs the most votes in order to win an election. Buc club teachers must ensure that their students vote based on the appropriate grade level, and that all ballots are returned to the student council advisor(s). The ballots are to be counted by the current student council executive board and advisor(s). In the case that a position had no candidate running for it, the executive board may appoint a student of the appropriate grade level to the position. For example if two people ran for class president, the loser of that election may be asked to fill the vacant treasurer position, if he or she accepts. For class officer positions that run uncontested, the current executive board may go through each application and approve them to the position individually with the consent of the advisor(s). Announcement of election results shall take place at a student council meeting an/or may be announced on the school's daily or weekly announcements.

Ballot Counting Procedures

Class Officer Elections:

The counting of class officer ballots shall be done by the current executive board and their advisor(s). Results are to be tallied for each candidate and may not be discussed or shared with anyone outside until a public announcement is made by the student council. The ballot counting records may be stored in student council documents as long as the advisor is the one in charge of them.

Executive Board Elections:

There is no counting of ballots for executive board elections because the voting is done through a hand vote. A record of the voting does not need to be kept if the advisor and current executive board deem it unnecessary. A record does however need to be kept of the winners.