

Leadership Elective Application

Name _____

Current Advisory Class (teacher and room number):

Grade Level Next Year: _____

What is the Leadership elective?

"If your ACTIONS inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."

- John Quincy Adams, 6th U.S. President

Course Description: This year long class is designed to help you discover and develop your talents as a leader. Everyone has the potential to lead, and every day provides you with opportunities and possibilities to lead. In this class you will be actively engaged in activities such as group discussions, group projects, planning school dances, spirit rallies, fund-raisers, spirit days, school and community involvement projects and the governing process of our school. As you learn how to integrate your leadership skills into your everyday life you will become more confident in your potential and your abilities as a leader. Time management, self motivation and organization are skills we work on often.

Class Make Up: This class is made up of the elected student council members and selected representatives from the student body ranging from 7th to 8th grade. Students in this class will represent various groups on campus. Overall, this class will represent the voice of the students here at Sutter Middle School. You are expected to be able to work with all students in the class, with a positive attitude.

Expectations: As a leader you are, by nature, a role model. You are expected to follow all seven of the Cougar Pillars and the Sutter Middle School Student Handbook. As leaders, you also respect the school grounds, our community and each other. Remember being in Leadership is a privilege. You must maintain a 2.5 GPA or higher and have no "N" or "U" citizenship grades. If these requirements are not met there will be disciplinary action, including the possibility of being removed from leadership.

Please keep in mind that participation is required for all spirit weeks. Sometimes, you may need to be creative and/or ask family members or friends for their ideas. Effort is required and part of your grade. Community service hours are required each semester and I will offer opportunities to complete these on campus.

If you are interested in the Leadership Elective at Sutter Middle School, please fill out this application and return it along with your typed essay to the office drop off box by Friday, March 8th.

Name: _____ Grade Level Next Year _____

Are you running for an elected position? YES NO

If yes, which position are you interested in running for? (See below for available positions.)

Available Positions:

8th graders may run for – President, Secretary, Treasurer

7th graders may run for – Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary

References: Have at least **two** teachers or staff members, at SMS, that attest to your Cougar character, and recommend you to be a leadership student, **SIGN BELOW.**

1. _____
Printed Name Signature

2. _____
Printed Name Signature

3. _____
Printed Name Signature

4. _____
Printed Name Signature

Please **TYPE** and attach a short essay describing how you, as a leader, demonstrate the Cougar pillars (Responsibility, Respect, Caring, Trustworthiness, Perseverance, Citizenship and Fairness). Explain other activities you are involved with, in or outside of school and why you feel you would be an asset to the leadership class (special skills, interests, etc. that would make you an asset).

If you have any questions, please see Ms. Keyfel (B2) or email me at nkeyfel@fcusd.org

Parent Permission:

I would like my son/daughter, _____, (print student name) to be in the leadership elective for the 2024/2025 school year.

Parent/Guardian signature

Date

Please understand that not all students who apply will be selected for leadership. Please make sure that you have selected a second choice elective that interests you.