**Miller Grove 9th Grade CLASS OFFICER ELECTION PACKET**

Dear Applicant,

Congratulations on your decision to run for the position as a Miller Grove High School Class Officer. I am looking forward to working with all of you through this election process. Student Council will provide you with one of the greatest opportunities you will have to make an impact in our school and the community. Class Officers often set the course for the school, as well intentionally invest in their own personal leadership. I know that each of you can make a positive difference and bring greatness to the freshmen class.

Student Council at Miller Grove is a truly life-changing experience, and although it is an extracurricular team, it is an essential part of the day to day function of the school. Students will be a part of a group that focuses on leadership growth and development, and they will also have a chance to work in committees to organize, plan, and implement different events and programs for the school.

Class Officers are expected to attend **most** Student Council sponsored events and some outside sponsored events, and they are also expected to meet during tutorial periods at least once a month with the class sponsor for planning purposes. Class Officers are also expected to participate in any fundraising or class-specific events, such as Sophomore Concessions, Junior Prom, Senior Service Day, etc. All members of Student Council must also maintain their grade point average and a positive attitude in their classes. **Work outside of class time will be mandatory**. Required events may take place after school or on weekends. Your commitment to school events will allow you to be more engaged in leadership and will help you to create a better school environment. Please make sure you consider your current and **future** obligations before you commit to Student Council.

Read this packet carefully, and give the Teacher recommendations out as soon as possible. Thank you for your interest in Class Council. I applaud you for your desire to run in the election, and I wish you the best of luck.

Sincerely,

9th Grade Class Sponsor

**PERSONAL VIEW QUESTIONS**

**Application for Class Officer, Miller Grove High School**

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

**Note: These responses may be made public to the entire Student Body.**

As a Class Officer, what important goals would you have for Student Council? For Miller Grove High School?

What are your plans for increasing school spirit and student participation at Miller Grove High School?

What role(s) do you think Student Council should be playing at MGHS? Is Student Council currently fulfilling that role? If not, what changes do you propose to make it happen?

Why do you want to be on Student Council, really?

In what extra-curricular activities, school-sponsored or otherwise, are you already involved?

I understand that Student Council is a year-long commitment and that professional standards are expected. I also understand that work outside of class time is mandatory. If I am accepted to Student Council, I realize that I must attend most Student Council sponsored events and be a positive role model in the community. I understand that I cannot leave my position at any time during the year. The information that I have included on this form and the attached application is accurate and true to the best of my knowledge.

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**PARENT APPROVAL FORM Application for Class Officer 2015 – 2016**

Your student has started the application process to become a Class Officer at Miller Grove High School. This incredible opportunity comes with great responsibility and high expectations. Class Officers become the true leaders of their class, and I am excited to work with your student as he or she moves through the application and election process. Please read over the application packet with your student before signing the approval form.

There are a limited number of positions for Class Officers. Not everyone who applies or runs in the election will be accepted. Your student will have to complete the application, meet all requirements, and get elected by their constituents. A point value will be assigned for each portion of the application process. Your student must have at least 45 application points out of the possible 50 before he or she can run in the school election. A rubric detailing the point values is included in this application packet. All candidates must meet the GPA requirement for a Class Officer position.

It is my hope that your student has already spoken to you about this opportunity and the responsibilities involved. There is a substantial time commitment involved with Student Council and excellent communication and planning is a must. High professional standards are expected and work time outside of class, possibly including some Saturdays, is **mandatory**. The ability to meet deadlines is a must. Students are expected to follow all Student Council guidelines as declared in the constitution and the rules and regulations of Miller Grove High School.

This form is a required portion of your student’s application packet. If you support your student’s decision to apply for Student Council and run in the election, please sign and date below.

Thank you for your time and consideration in this important process. Your involvement helps make Student Council a high-quality experience for the students involved and the entire student body of Miller Grove High School. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Toliver, 9th Grade Class Council Sponsor

**Parent/Guardian Certification**

I am aware that my student is seeking a position as a Class Officer. We have discussed the time commitment involved for this commitment. We understand that this group may require after-school work and attendance at most Student Council sponsored events. I support my student’s decision to apply for this position and run in the election. We understand the application and election requirements.

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**2015 – 2016 CLASS OFFICER APPLICATION Teacher Recommendation Form: Miller Grove High School**

Applicant’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Recommendation forms will be kept confidential. Please give your honest opinion of this student. It is an incredibly valuable tool in the election process this year. Please give this form directly to Stephanie Toliver (706) as soon as possible. Please do not return to the student unless it is in a sealed envelope (I have provided the student with this item). Feel free to make extra comments on the back or to speak with me personally. I sincerely appreciate honest and thoughtful feedback.

Thank you,

Stephanie Toliver

9th Grade Class Sponsor, MGHS

1.Do you think this student would be a good representative for Pine Creek High School? Do you have any reservations? PLEASE EXPLAIN.

2. How would you rate this student’s overall attitude?

 (Negative) 1 2 3 4 5 (Amazing)

3. How would you rate this student regarding work in your class?

 (Lazy) 1 2 3 4 5 (Overachieving)

4. Is this student tardy for class?

 (Often) 1 2 3 4 5 (Never)

5. How would you rate this student’s maturity?

 (Immature) 1 2 3 4 5 (Very Mature)

6. How would you rate this student’s ability to work independently?

 (Needs Help) 1 2 3 4 5 (Doesn’t Need Me)

7. How would you rate this student’s ability to deal with new or difficult situations?

 (Rigid) 1 2 3 4 5 (Flexible)

8. How would you rate this student’s ability to work with others?

(Consistent Conflict) 1 2 3 4 5 (Group Harmony)

9. Would you trust this student in front of an assembly, dance, or other school event?

(No Way) 1 2 3 4 5 (Absolutely)

10. Any additional information you’d like to add?

Petition for Candidacy

Please obtain the signatures of 50 of your peers who would support you in office. If you don’t know 50 people, that is perfect! As a potential candidate for the student body, it is imperative that you get to know various members of the freshmen class, so use this part of the application to branch out and meet the people you will be representing.

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Note: It is ok for different candidates to have signatures by the same people.