West Bloomfield High School

Leadership Class 2014-2015 Application



Do you.....

Love to work in groups and on committees?

Enjoy planning events and activities?

Desire to help others in the community?

Have school pride?

Want to get to know other leaders and students at WBHS?

Wish to develop your leadership skills?

Want to positively impact your school?

The goal of the Student Leadership class is to develop your leadership skills and to provide you with opportunities to put your skills to use in order to positively impact your school and community. You will learn to become an effective leader by developing your skills in public speaking, problem solving, goal setting, record keeping, decision making, written communication, committee work, organization, time management, inter and intra-personal management and citizenship development.

* The Student Leadership class for incoming freshmen is a <u>one semester</u> class <u>APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY JANUARY 31ST</u>, <u>2014</u>

*Late applications will not be considered! Do not wait until the last minute!

<u>OLMS Students</u>- Turn in your application to Mrs. Fields- counseling office <u>Abbot Students</u>- Turn in your application to Mrs. Sheloske- room 10D The complete application can be found on the West Bloomfield High School website: <u>www.westbloomfield.k12.mi.us/wbhs</u>. Click on the link for "activities" and scroll down for "student leadership." The application is located after student leadership as a PDF file.

Questions? Contact Ms. Ruggero at WBHS: ruggeroa@wbsd.org

Please thoroughly read through this application packet in order to understand what your responsibilities will be as a member of student leadership and to ensure that your application will be accepted.

Event Attendance:

Before you decide to apply for Student Leadership, it is important that you know that being a part of the class is a <u>HUGE</u> commitment. You will be asked to attend events **after school**, put in extra time working with your committee during lunch, work on various community service projects that may be on the weekends, and donate baked goods or bring in donations for organizations throughout the semester.

The following is a list of events that require **MANDATORY** attendance.

First Semester Activities:

- Homecoming Activities
 - o Participation in spirit days
 - o Pep Assembly
 - o Parade
 - o Football Game
 - Homecoming dance decorating (Friday evening: 8:30 PM-10:00 PM, Saturday morning: 8:00 AM- 2:00-3:00 PM)
 - o Dance (7:00 PM-10:00 PM with clean up afterward)
- Coffee House (Friday, after school, in December)
- Various activities created throughout the semester

Second Semester Activities:

- Winterfest Activities
 - Participation in spirit days
 - o Window Painting (Tuesday after school during Winterfest week)
 - Pep Assembly
 - o Dance- if applicable
- Senior Citizen Prom (will be held on a Thursday in May)
- Activist Week Activities (held for an entire week in April)
- Various activities throughout the semester
- Please also note that you can expect to spend between \$20-\$30 throughout the semester on various items, such as baked goods for activities, field trips, donations, etc.

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Due: Friday, JANUARY 31ST

Last Name:	First Name:	
Current Middle School:	Counselor:	
Current GPA:	Counselor signature:	

PART I: Student Leadership Application Questions

Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper and attach them to your application. Make sure your answers are well thought out and are <u>TYPED</u>. <u>Applications not typed will not be considered.</u>

- 1. Why would you like to be in the Student Leadership Class?
- 2. Describe your 3 strongest leadership skills?
- 3. What are 3 leadership skills you would like to improve upon?
- 4. List all activities, clubs, sports, community service projects and jobs in which you have been involved.
- 5. Describe one situation in which you acted as a leader with your peers at school.
- 6. In 10 words or less, describe your character.
- 7. How did you find out about the Student Leadership Class?

PART II: Teacher Recommendations:

Teachers, in signing this recommendation, you state that the above-named student has demonstrated leadership skills, is a good, responsible worker who has initiative, integrity and follows through with assignments and/or duties and that the student is kind and respectful to others.

Please sign and print your name on the lines provided:

<u>Sign</u>	<u>Print</u>
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**Please Note: Specific feedback from	m teachers may be solicited.

PART III: Parent/Student Signatures

3. Obtain 6 teacher signatures

4. Sign and date application

Carefully read the statement below and sign on the lines provided.

that there is an **expected high level of positive involvement** in programs contributing to the ongoing goal of excellence at WBHS. Leadership students are often called upon to act as representatives and ambassadors of the student body, both at school and at off-campus functions. Therefore, I recognize that I am expected to reflect a positive image of West Bloomfield High School and of leadership class at all times, both in and out of school. As a member of Student Leadership Class, I understand that I must attend all of the events that the class sponsors and/or plans. I understand that failure to attend events will result in a lower grade. If at any time I fail to act as a positive leader and violate any school codes of conduct, as outlined in the Student Code of Conduct handbook, I understand that I may be removed from the leadership program. Student Signature: _____ __ Date: _____ Parent Signature: **Date:** _____ (This application is only valid if signed.) **Checklist:** 1. Fill out the cover sheet 2. Type answers to the leadership applications questions

I understand that selection for the Student Leadership Class is an honor. I understand

5. Staple and turn in the **COVER SHEET**, **SIGNATURE PAGE**, **AND QUESTIONS ONLY** to the designated teacher/counselor BY FRIDAY, JAUARY 31ST. Please make sure your application is in this order before turning it in.

Thank you for considering the Student Leadership program!