Is the ECMS Student Council the place for you?

- Do you want to make a difference this year?
- Do you want to be a positive representation of East Cobb Middle School?
- Do you want to want to positively impact your classmates, grade level, and school?

Who Can Participate?

- The ECMS Student Council will consist of students in Grades 6-8. Members must complete an application. At least two students from each grade level will be chosen, based on the eligibility requirements.
- We are looking for some dynamic, enthusiastic, and committed East Cobb Middle School students to join the Student Council for this year. Qualities necessary for any member on student council are:
  - **Leadership skills** – Are you willing to lead committees and be a representative for your class?
  - **Creative** – Are you able to think of new and exciting activities and fundraisers for the student council?
  - **Communicative** – Are you able to share ideas with other student council members, your class and all of middle school?
  - **Team player** – You could be working with a team to generate ideas and organize events for the Student Council.
  - **Responsibility** – You may be responsible for running activities throughout the school and you must be reliable.
  - **Commitment** – This is a year long activity and if you volunteer now, you will be expected to come to all meetings for the remainder of the year. There will be at least 8 meetings throughout the year after school, so if this does not fit into your schedule, please do not volunteer.

Benefits of Participating

Students should consider this Extra Curricular Activity (ECA) because it helps to build character, leadership, decision making, organization skills and responsibility.

When & Where Does The Club Meet?

The meetings will be held on the second Tuesday every month at 8:15am in Ms. Fleming’s room (6.044 in the annex). Students joining student council will be supervised by Ms. Fleming, Ms. Jonas, and Mr. Smith.

Staff Advisor & Additional Information

For additional information about the ECMS Student Council, please contact Ms. Fleming.

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**2014-2015 Student Council Application Timeline**

- **September 12th, 2014** - Students may begin picking up packets during your homeroom from Ms. Fleming (6.044), Ms. C. Jonas (2.031), or access online.
- **September 29th, 2014** - Deadline for submission of completed packet to Ms. Fleming
- **NO packets will be accepted after the deadline.**
- **Students will be notified about their selection in Homeroom by Thursday, October 2, 2014.**

Completed packets due to the Ms. Fleming (6.044) by 4:15pm, Monday, September 29th, 2014
East Cobb Middle School Student Council

Representative Application Packet

This packet contains information for students wishing to become involved as ECMS Student Forum Representatives for the 2014-2015 school year. Students MUST read all portions of this document carefully, complete all necessary pages, obtain all required documents to be returned with the application AND meet all deadlines contained in this packet. Do NOT submit individual pages/documents – submit the entire packet at one time.

Eligibility for Student Forum Class Representative
- A class representative must maintain A/B honor roll.
- A class representative’s experience within the Middle School may not include disciplinary referrals related to insubordination, classroom disruptions, truancy, substance abuse, or gross misdemeanors.

Application Packets Must Include the Following . . .
- **Student Council Questionnaire:** This is your chance to demonstrate quality writing and thinking skills. The Student Council Questionnaire will provide the advisor with valuable information concerning your skills as a student leader.
- **Student Council Parent Permission Slip:** Each candidate must submit a signed permission slip.
- **Student Progress Report:** Each candidate must submit a photocopy of her/his 1st 6 weeks progress report.
- **ALL** paperwork must be submitted, fully completed in order to be reviewed for consideration.

| Partially completed or late (past the deadline) packets will NOT be reviewed and those students will not be eligible for Student Forum. |

**Student Forum Representative Responsibilities**

1. Attend ALL scheduled meetings. Three unexcused absences will result in dismissal from Student Forum.

2. Actively participate in Student Forum and participate in at least one activity/service activity during the year and contribute time and effort to help make each Student Council sponsored activity the best it can be.

3. Act responsibly at all meetings and activities/events and as a leader of ECMS.

4. Keep grades as high as possible. A/A Honor Roll required, but higher is encouraged.

5. Good citizenship is a must. Student Forum is a team.

6. Attend all committee meetings and perform all assigned responsibilities at activities/events.
Student Council Parent Permission Slip

*Please return this section in your application packet

Student Name: ________________________________

Grade level: ________________

Homeroom teacher: ________________

Grades:

Math_____________ ELA___________ SS _____________ Science________________

Connection Class 1st Block______________ Connection Class 2nd Block______________

We are aware that our daughter/son is a candidate for Student Forum membership at East Cobb Middle School. We have gone over member responsibilities and understand that these positions require effort, diligence, and leadership qualities. We also understand that failure to perform the specific duties that have been outlined may result in our son’s/daughter’s dismissal.

We further acknowledge the fact that parents are an integral part of Student Council’s success and whenever the need arises, we will be willing to provide transportation for our daughter’s/son’s meetings and special events. We also realize that we may be asked to volunteer to chaperone special events.

___________________________________________________
Parent Name

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Parent/Guardian Signature Date

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Phone Number Email
Student Council Questionnaire

Directions: Please answer the following questions utilizing your best writing and thinking skills. Give the questions serious thought before answering. You must write your answers in ink, or you may “type” them. Answers which are not legible will be considered incomplete. Only completed questionnaires will be accepted. You may use the back of this sheet to finish answers or you may use a separate sheet of paper.

1. Please explain why you would like to be a Student Forum representative this year. How would you personally contribute to Student Forum?

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2. Tell us about yourself. What type of leadership experiences have you had both in school and in the community?

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3. Student Forum represents East Cobb Middle School. Student Forum acts as ambassadors of ECMS. Explain how you are a good representation of ECMS.

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4. How do you respond when people don’t agree with your ideas?

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5. Student Council participates in community service activities. What do you believe would be a good community service activity?

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Final Checklist

Have you completed the ENTIRE Application?
If you’re reading this, you’ve done the most important part of the process, which is reading the entire packet.
   The completed packet is due to Ms. Fleming (6.044) on or before 4:15pm, Monday, September 29th, 2014.