

CONTRACTS FOR CANDIDATES FOR CLASS OFFICE

The purpose of this contract is to provide candidates running for office with an opportunity to preview the duties, responsibilities and obligation in holding an elected position.

1. **Student Council officer positions available are:** President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Activities Coordinator, Fundraising Coordinator, and Publicity Coordinator. Descriptions for the Council positions can be found in the Connecting Waters Charter School Student Council Constitution at <http://www.connectingwaters.org/StudentCouncil/index.htm> All petitions must be turned into the School Office in Waterford, Modesto or Ceres Learning Center. Student Council meetings will be held at the **Modesto Learning Center** on the first Monday of the month at 10:00 AM. Students may attend in person or arrange with the advisor to attend online.

2. **TIMELINE**

- Election contracts available in the Waterford Office or Learning Centers on **April 8th, 2010**
- Election contracts due **April 22th, 2010 by 3:40 PM** in Waterford or the Learning Centers.
- Interviews will be held on **April 26th, 2010** at the **Modesto Learning Center**.
- Results will be announced no later than **April 28th, 2010** if no election is needed.
- The Student Council/CSF retreat will be held **May 7th, 2010 in** Livermore. All officers encouraged to attend.
- The first Student Council meeting will be held on **September 13th, 2010** at the Modesto Learning Center at 10:00 AM.

In the event of an election, posters, etc. may go up April 23rd, 2010 and must be down before the School Office in Waterford or Learning Center closes on April 28th, 2010, unless you are involved in a run off election. Posters must be confined to the inside walls of the School Office, or Modesto or Ceres Learning Center.

- Any poster that displays or suggests obscenities or misspellings will be removed. Any poster which has come down or is loose will be removed if not attended by the candidate.

1. All candidates must have at least a 2.5 G.P.A. for all the high school years before they will be considered for candidacy. You must have a 2.5 G.P.A. for each graduation period after your election. Failure to maintain a 2.5 will result in removal from office.
2. Candidates will be slated after interviews by the student council team (Executive Director, Student Council Advisor, and Parent Council Member) for the position they feel the candidate is best suited for.
3. At least one officer must take part in each student body activity.
4. By accepting an office your first responsibility is to the activity/activities you committed to and NOT to work, athletics, or any other outside activities. You are required to help on all activities you have chosen. All officers are to cheerfully accept all jobs assigned and be cooperative with all members, promote school spirit, and accept the will of the majority and not just your friends.
5. All grades may attend the Student Council sessions, however, students participating in Student Council must be at least a 7th grader. Offices will be reserved for those in 9th-12th grade. If an office is vacant, and there is no interest by a high school student, the position may be opened to a 7th or 8th grader. Student Council meetings will be held on the first Monday of the month at the Modesto Learning Center.

I, _____ accept the responsibilities and duties of a Connecting Waters Class or Student Council officer.

Phone number where student
can be reached

Phone number where parent
can be reached

Student email

Parent Name

Parent email

**Connecting Waters Charter School
ASB/ Class election application**

By signing this contract, I acknowledge full understanding of the attached terms and responsibilities. If elected, I promise to honor these commitments and obligations. Failure to do so could result in my removal as a Student Council or class officer.

Required Signatures

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/ Guardian Signature: _____

GPA Verification: _____ Signature of Education Specialist _____ (Or attached email verification)

II. Ranking of Offices

All candidates will be slated after the interview process by the student council team (Executive Director, Student Council Advisor and Parent Council Member). The candidate might not be slated into the office which they applied for. If a candidate wishes to opt out of their candidacy, he or she may do so.

Please rank in order from 1-7 the offices which you would like to run for. 1 would be for the position you would like, 7 for the one least desired. If you would not like one of the offices, leave it blank. 7th and 8th graders may only run for Class Representative, unless no interest is shown by a high school student in an officer position. **Please rank these carefully as you will be expected to fulfill the duties of the office you choose.** Descriptions for the Council positions can be found in the Connecting Waters Charter School Student Council Constitution at: <http://www.connectingwaters.org/StudentCouncil/index.htm>

President: _____
Vice President: _____
Secretary: _____
Treasurer: _____
Activities Coordinator _____
Fundraising Coordinator _____
Publicity Coordinator _____

School/Activities Record

Please list previous activities you have been involved with and any offices held:

- Student Government:
- Organizations: (Church, Boy Scouts, etc.)
- Athletics:
- Awards and Honors:
- Community Activities:
- Hobbies:
- Employment:
- Community College Courses:

Nominating Papers For ASB/Class Officers

Name: _____
Office applying for: _____

Class year: _____
Date returned: _____

1. You and your parent and/or guardian must read and sign the attached general rules and contract and meet all requirements. Your Education Specialist must complete the GPA portion of the attached sheet.

ESSAY

Candidates are to describe themselves. In this essay, include the position you are running for and why you think you qualify. (Maximum one page. This can be written or typed on another page and attached to packet)