

Article I

The name of this organization shall be the **Indianola Middle School Student Council**.

Article II

PURPOSE: The purpose of this organization shall be:

1. To foster a spirit of cooperation among students and faculty.
2. To promote and encourage activities for the best interest of the school.
3. To develop good citizens and leaders through experience in government.
4. To provide a means for student expression, and encourage student involvement.

Article III

Section I- All members of the Student Council have certain powers guaranteed by the Constitution.

1. They have a right to recommend committees on the appropriate level.
2. Recommendations for anything of student concern in the building.
3. Student publicity for student council
4. Application of the Constitution to the school during the year.
5. Holding executive meetings and reporting them.
6. Administration of elections.
7. Constitutional proposals and changes.
8. Fundraising.
9. Cooperation with faculty or advisor to perform tasks not guaranteed in the Constitution.

Section 2- Members of the Student Council have guaranteed rights but can be overruled by the principal. The principal has veto power to eliminate any proposition he/she feels is not beneficial to the school.

Article IV

All members of the Student Council must maintain an acceptable conduct and utilize all the school's academic assistance resources in order to run for and to hold office.

Article V

The Student Body of Indianola Middle shall elect the members of the Student Council for a term of one year, during a designated election week assigned by the principal or advisor of the Council. Candidates shall be allowed to campaign the week prior to voting. Voting shall be done through a ballot, and the election committee and executive board shall determine all general details of the election. Candidates for the election of a Student Body office must be an 8th grader to run for president, 7th and 8th grader for vice president, and 6th-8th grader for secretary. Any candidate running for Student Body must have and maintain an acceptable conduct in order to run for and hold office.

Article VI

STUDENT COUNCIL

Section 1-Membership: The Student Council shall be made up of the officers of the student body, the officers of the 6th, 7th, and 8th grade classes. 6 representatives total from each grade level will be appointed. **Section 2 – Officers:** The executive officers of this organization shall be a President, vice-president, and Secretary.

A. Duties of the President-The president shall preside at all Student Council meetings, call special meetings when necessary, appoint all standing and special committees, represent the Council on all occasions, and assume all other duties generally associated with this office.

B. Duties of the Vice-President-The Vice –President shall assume the duties of the president in case of their absence or disability .It shall be the duty of the VP to prepare devotions for certain assemblies.

C. Secretary-The secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the Council and provide a bulletin, published when necessary, to be posted in grade level wings. At the close of the school year the minute book shall be filed by the secretary in the Student Council files. In addition, the secretary shall carry on correspondence of the Student Council and shall keep a record of attendance.

Section 3 – Vacancies: The Student Body president, with approval of the council and advisor, shall be empowered to fill any Student Body vacancy. Appropriate class vacancies shall be filled by the appropriate class president, with the advice from the advisor based on the years voting process.

Section 4 - Nominations and Elections: The members of the Student Council shall be elected by a ballot and speech rubric process for the term of one year. The elections committee and the executive board shall determine all general details of the elections.

Section 5 – Committees

- a. The following standing committees shall be appointed each year when necessary by the student body president. : Human relations, publicity, and student involvement. Membership in these committees is not limited to the Student Council.
- b. Special committees may be organized as necessary.

Article VII

MEETINGS

The Student Council shall not have to meet every week. Instead the Council will meet as necessary at the discretion of the President and advisor. The President with the approval of the advisor may call a special meeting

Article VIII

SPONSOR

There shall be one or more faculty advisors selected by the principal

Article IX

QUORUM

A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of a simple majority of the council. Example: If 18 members a simple majority would be 11 members.

Article X

PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

In all matters not specifically covered by this constitution, the parliamentary authority shall be "Robert's Rules of Order."

Article XI

APPROVAL

The constitution of the Student Council of Indianola Middle shall be proposed by a 2/3 vote of the Student Council and shall be adopted by a 2/3 vote of the student body participating on the day of voting. Any regulation passed by the Student Council concerning the Indianola Middle School is subject to approval by the administration.

11 people =7 votes

12 people=8 votes

13 people = 8 votes

14 people = 9 votes

15 people = 10 votes

16 people = 10 votes

17 people = 11 votes

18 people = 12 votes

