

Student Council Speech Guidelines

Next step:

Prepare a 1-2 minute speech telling why you are right for the job. **(NO campaign materials allowed: Campaign materials are any item that can be handed out, given, hung up to advertise and potentially sway a vote prior to the actual election day.)**

Students may NOT use props during speeches. Please come with your speech only.

Speech Outline Guide

Below is an outline of some of the information you should state in your speech and how you should present yourself to the audience. Remember the purpose of your speech is to convince the audience that you are the best person for this job.

You might want to make note cards and Practice-Practice-Practice your speech out loud for election day.

1. A simple welcome to all student voters is the start of your student council speech. (Hello students and staff, Good-afternoon students and staff)
2. Introduce yourself briefly. (My name is _____. I'm in _____ class)
3. Tell what office you are running for and why you feel you would be a good candidate for this office. (I am running for the office of _____, I feel that I am the best candidate for this office because _____)*
4. Give examples of ways you would be a good candidate for the office (Treasurer:

do well in math/Secretary: love to write and careful with editing my work/ Vice president: helpful, good listener/ President: organized, accountable for work, responsible & respectful.....)*

**Be creative and use your voice and words to convince your audience that you are the right person for this job.*

5. Now tell your audience what you think are some ways you can help to make the school a better place to learn and live. Share your ideas or those of your friends and then share what we could do to solve them. It is very important that you do not make promises that are unrealistic in a school.

6. Stand up tall - Restate your name, classroom, and the position you are running for. "That's why I'm running for ____." You can add a catchy slogan here that rhymes, is funny, serious, or exciting. Take a strong position: I want to become your next Student Council President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, or Technology Officer. Then thank the audience and smile!