

Student Leadership



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At Manifold Heights Primary School we provide many opportunities for our students to hold positions of leadership within the school. Student leadership positions are held in high esteem by the Principal, staff, fellow students, parents, carers and the general community.

Each year, termly positions available for students to apply for are: two School Captains, four House Captains and two leaders. There are many traits a student leader requires and certain specific criteria students must meet in order to be considered for a position.

Student Leadership Characteristics and Criteria

1. Demonstrates leadership qualities both in current and in previous years.
2. Demonstrates continuous effort in seeking to do one's very best.
3. Consistently demonstrates competence, perseverance and resilience.
4. Consistently demonstrates an understanding of, and a caring attitude towards, fellow students and younger students.
5. Consistently complies with the Student Dress Code to a high standard.
6. Consistently supports and demonstrates the SWBPS behaviour matrix and values; and is an exemplar of these behaviours and values to peers.
7. Demonstrates collaborative team skills in working both with staff and students.
8. Demonstrates involvement in a range of school and extra-curricular activities.
9. Demonstrates competent public speaking skills in both formal and informal contexts.
10. It will be seen to be a very significant advantage as an applicant if a student has previously held a leadership position such as: house captain, leadership team member or student council representative. Similarly, involvement in teams such as the school band, dance troupe, State School Spectacular and involvement in teams representing our school will be advantageous.

Guidelines



School Captain

School Captains will be selected by a Staff Panel, comprising of the Principal and Senior Staff. Year 6 students will be invited to apply for a School Captain position by submitting a written application addressing the leadership criteria. All applications must be handed to the Senior Staff by the due date. Applicants must create a 5-8 minute presentation and present to the senior cohort addressing the leadership criteria and include the following:

- Refer to specific highlights outlined in written application.
- Discuss previous roles of responsibility you have held e.g. dance troupe, house captain and contributions to representing our school.
- Give examples of how you demonstrate the school values of Safety, Responsibility and Respect in your daily life. Include qualities you possess that would make you a successful leader at Manifold Heights Primary School.
- Make your speech entertaining by including humour, a jingle, a sign or poster, or anything else that makes your speech memorable.

House Captain

Written application based on leadership criteria. All applications must be handed to the Senior Staff by the due date. Selections will be made by the Senior Staff and Principal based on how strongly students have met the criteria.

Leadership Team

Written application based on leadership criteria. All applications must be handed to the Senior Staff by the due date. Selections will be made by the Senior Staff and Principal based on how strongly students have met the criteria.