

Southwest Miami High School

Student Government Association Application

Form may be submitted electronically or manually

Name: _____ ID: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

May we text you? Yes / No Grade: _____

E-mail: _____

Unweighted GPA: _____ Weighted GPA: _____

Check the position which you are interviewing for:

_____ President

_____ SC President

_____ Vice President

_____ SC Vice President

_____ Secretary

_____ SC Secretary

_____ Treasurer

_____ SC Treasurer

Parents/Students please retain a copy of this application for your records.

Office Use Only (date and initial):

Application Checked: _____

Speech Turned in: _____

Picture Turned in: _____

PLEASE FILL OUT:

(Mother's Last Name)

(Mother's First Name)

(Mother's MI)

Telephone #s:

(Home)

(Work)

(Other)

(Father's Last Name)

(Father's First Name)

(Father's MI)

Telephone #s:

(Home)

(Work)

(Other)

I have read the application packet and understand its contents. I give consent for my son/daughter, _____, to interview for a position as officer of the Southwest Miami Senior High Student Government Association for the 2020 - 2021 school year.

I also understand that:

1. Transportation will be my child's responsibility.
2. If participation as an officer jeopardizes my son's/daughter's health, he/she may be removed from the position.
3. A student holding the position of an officer at Southwest Miami High School must comply with the school's attendance policy whether enrolled as an MSO or Physical student.
4. If my son/daughter fails to maintain the high standards established for this position, he/she may be removed from office.
5. It is my child's responsibility to adjust to the circumstances of the position.

(Parent Name)

(Parent Signature)

(Date)

YOUR SPEECH WILL BE ONE PART OF THE INTERVIEW PROCESS

Please submit a copy of your speech with the completed application and a picture of yourself for identification purposes. All pictures submitted must be appropriate and within school guidelines.

REQUIRED: An original speech/essay of 250 words. It should:

- a. reflect your reasons for running for office on Student Government,
- b. state what you believe your responsibilities for this position are,
- c. show any ideas you have for your position this year,
- d. explain why we should choose you over the other interviewees (how would you be perfect for your desired position),
- e. explain what school spirit means to you, and
- f. any changes you would implement to Southwest and/or SGA?

You may also include any thoughts or ideas.

I clearly understand the commitment that is required of the Student Government Association Executive Board Member; moreover, I understand the rules and regulations regarding participation in student government. Also, I am aware of the dates and deadlines set forth by the Election Committee of the Executive Board. I will abide by all the rules, understanding that failure to do so will result in my disqualification from the interview or impeachment from Student Government.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

My child may participate in the Student Government interview panel. I am aware of the level of commitment asked of my child, and I am aware of the rules and regulations regarding participation in Student Government.

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student Government Association

The Student Government Association, (SGA) is the governing body and voice of the students of Southwest Miami Senior High School. SGA members excel academically as well as socially, displaying high moral character and leadership responsibilities, while being facilitated by the sponsor and faculty of Southwest High School. Their responsibilities include, but are not limited to:

Actively planning and organizing homecoming activities and events (including set up, clean up etc.), actively organizing and facilitating student activities and fundraisers for the betterment of Southwest High School, providing community support in events as requested and approved by the principal and sponsor, displaying pride and respect for Southwest High School, its facilities, staff, and fellow students.

MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS/EXPECTATIONS

- You must have a **3.0** unweighted GPA
- You must **not** have a conduct grade lower than a "B"
- You must not have any indoor suspensions within the last semester
- Adhere to all Miami Dade Public School and Southwest rules
- Cooperate with and support all Board decisions mandated by a majority vote
- Advertise and encourage peer participation in class activities
- Attend and participate in all meetings unless absent from school, detained by teacher or prior arrangements
- Respect fellow members
- Participate in all fundraising and service projects such as dances, sales, elections, and school improvement campaigns
- Attend District SGA Meetings and EESAC meetings

What are the SGA positions and what do they entail?

- ☞ **President:** Shall be the liaison between administration and the student body. Will be responsible for running SGA meetings and will preside over SGA with the advisor.
- ☞ **Vice-President:** Will work closely with or fill in for the president in lieu of their absence. Create Community service project/s for the board to participate in and run.
- ☞ **Secretary:** Shall take, prepare, and present notes from all SGA meetings. Also, responsible for all correspondence. Will maintain an up-to-date copy of the SGA Constitution. Will also keep files and records for SGA.
- ☞ **Treasurer:** Shall be responsible for preparing and presenting necessary financial budgets. Will plan and run all sales pertaining to SGA. Shall write purchase orders, check requisitions, recaps, monthly operating reports and anything financial.

INTERVIEW REGULATIONS

- Candidate for office must be enrolled at Southwest Miami Senior High School prior to and during the elections.
- All officer positions are appointed positions. All applicants for SGA will be interviewed by a panel consisting of Activities Director, Assistant Principal, Teacher(s), Class Sponsor(s).
- Student must interview at appointed date and time that is assigned by panel.

NOTE: Positions will be appointed through an interview process. There will be NO VOTING on behalf of the student population.

INTERVIEW PROCESS

Application Phase

1. Applications are due by **Monday, February 8, 2021**. Please turn in the **COMPLETED application and candidate picture to the Activities Office or via email to Ms. Victores, Activities Director at email bvictores@dadescschools.net**
2. The TYPED campaign speech and picture of the candidate is also due when you turn in your application.

Interview Panel Phase

1. Interview times will be assigned, during the days of **February 16 – February 18**. You will be informed of your interview time. You may have one opportunity to reschedule due to excused circumstances or you will forfeit your interview and be disqualified.
2. Interviews are held & discussed. Results are announced via the morning announcements and social media on Monday, February 22, 2021.
3. You may dress for the interview of the position you are running for.

NOTE: Positions will be appointed through an interview process. There will be NO VOTING on behalf of the student population.

Completed Application Checklist

- Completed Application (3 pages)
- Signatures on page 2 & 3 of application
- 250-word campaign speech
- Candidate picture following school guidelines

Completed applications are due *Monday, February 8, 2021* by end of school day.

If you have any questions regarding this application process, please contact via email Ms. Doristine Williams at williamsdoristine@dadeschools.net or Ms. Beatriz Victores at bvictores@dadeschools.net