

WELCOME!

I'm so glad you're here!

Hi there! My name is Aly, but my favorite people call me Mrs. Franklin! I am a middle school resource room teacher in Michigan. I spend my time teaching special education math intervention classes, cotaught math intervention classes, and coteaching 6th, 7th, and 8th grade math classes!

My goal with creating Middle School in the Mitten was to share engaging and time saving resources and ideas with busy, world changing teachers like you! All of the activities that are found in my Teachers Pay Teachers store were created for and used with my own students. In fact, I began my TPT journey in 2017, when I shared my first few sets of digital task cards that I was creating for my caseload students!

Thank you for your download! I created this set of student council applications for my own student council students, and they've been a life saver year after year! I hope it helps make the beginning of the year easier for you!

If you have any questions, please feel free to send me an email at middleschoolinthemitten@gmail.com, and I will try my best to help!

- Aly

OTHER RESOURCES YOU'LL LOVE!

If you are new to student council or a seasoned veteran looking for fresh ideas, check out my [Student Council Advisor Guide](#), filled with over 50 pages of directions, details, ready to use forms, and editable resources!

STUDENT COUNCIL ADVISOR GUIDE

ACTIVITIES, IDEAS, AND READY TO USE RESOURCES!

STUDENT COUNCIL APPLICATION

Name: Emily Grade: 5

Why do you want to be a Student Council Leader?

Please rate yourself from 1 – 5 in the following areas, with 5 being something you are very good at and 1 being something you have a lot of room to improve.

4 Organized

5 Kind

4 Leader

4 Responsible

STUDENT COUNCIL APPLICATION FREEBIE

what's included

Thanks so much for your download! I wanted to share the first step in the student council process to help take at least one thing off of your plate at the start of the school year!

When I was cornered next to the copier and "voluntold" to lead 6th grade student council several years ago, I was totally lost! I had not been on student council when I was in school, so I didn't know where to begin. I hope that the included information and resources can help you, if you are feeling the same way!

Included in this resource:

- Information on the Application Process & Membership Requirements
- Printable Student Council Application Forms
- Printable Student Council Membership Contract Form
- Student Council Editable Google Form Application
- Suggestions for other resources you'll love!
- Terms of Use for Middle School in the Mitten Resources

THE APPLICATION

We ask our student council leaders to apply to be a part of our team, but we accept almost everyone. The only time when someone will not be accepted is if they have a history of not following through with student council obligations in the past or have a history of not representing our school well. Our applications have two sides – a questionnaire for students to reflect on their strengths and share ideas, and a membership contract that lays out expectations. Parents and students need to sign the contract before it is turned in. We also open applications twice each year – once at the beginning of the year, and once at the start of second semester. We ask that returning members fill out the form again. By opening applications twice, we allow students who did not apply at the beginning of the year to have an opportunity to join and bring new ideas, and we allow members who are no longer interested or motivated to leave student council midyear without quitting or struggling through.

If applications aren't your thing, there are other options! Some schools build their student councils through a classroom nomination process. Through this process, each teacher will nominate one student from a specific class period that they feel would represent their school well. Those students then make up student council or student senate. The draw back with this method is that not all of the students selected are motivated to actively participate in school leadership activities, so you may want to provide a way for students to opt out if going with this method.

Our school social workers and counselors also recommend students for student council who may need some extra opportunities to connect with peers, and this has worked well for us!

MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

We ask that our students meet the following requirements and check occasionally throughout the semester to make sure they are upholding their responsibilities. We discuss these requirements with students during the first meeting.

Our requirements for membership:

1. Passing all classes.
2. Consistent attendance – We allow our students to miss two meetings per semester since they are middle schoolers and forget things. However, if a student is sick and communicates with us, we don't count that against them.
3. Positive behavior at school (no suspensions, fights, etc).
4. Active Participation – students should be sharing ideas, volunteering for events, etc and not just watching everyone else!

APPLICATIONS

Included are two options for student council applications. Read each and select the one that works best for you or use them as inspiration to create your own!

There is also a membership contract. We print our membership contract back-to-back with our application, making it one document that students complete and turn in. Student can pick these up in the office, or I also have some outside my classroom door for students to grab. If students are turning these into the office, it is helpful to give your office staff a folder to collect the forms in so they don't get lost and it isn't extra work for them!

Would you rather be digital? [Click here to access an editable google form that includes application questions.](#)

STUDENT COUNCIL APPLICATION

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Please rate yourself from 1 – 5 in the following areas, with 5 being something you are very good at and 1 being something you have a lot of room to improve.

_____ Organized

_____ Kind

_____ Leader

_____ Responsible

_____ Positive

_____ Creative

What is a strength that you will bring to Student Council?

Are you willing and able to come to meetings during your lunch period?

Are you willing and able to come to meetings after school?

STUDENT COUNCIL APPLICATION

Name:

Grade:

Why do you want to be a Student Council Leader?

What is a strength that you will bring to Student Council?

What are some ideas that you have for Student Council this semester?

Are you willing and able to come to meetings during your lunch period?

Are you willing and able to come to meetings after school?

STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP CONTRACT

I, _____, agree to be a productive student council member. I will attend all meetings, cooperate and collaborate during meetings, and carry out my responsibilities. I will share my ideas and respect other members' ideas. I realize that student council will be a lot of fun, but that sometimes, it will be hard work. I understand that if I fail to do my part, I may be removed from student council.

As a student council leader, I am expected to be a good citizen at all times. My classmates and teachers are depending on me to be a good leader. I understand that if I fail to be a good school citizen, I may be removed from student council.

As a student council leader, I promise to...

- Be on time to classes and meetings.
- Avoid unexcused absences.
- Maintain passing grades in my classes (A, B, or C's).
- Model positive and respectful behavior in my classes.
- Avoid detentions, suspensions, and behavior referrals.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

PARENT SIGNATURE

GETTING STARTED WITH STUCO

More Details, please!



If you're feeling a bit lost about starting Student Council at your school, you are not alone! I want to help, so I wrote a blog post to help you find your vision for your student council this year! Click on the image above to check it out, or head to [MiddleSchoolintheMitten.com](https://www.MiddleSchoolintheMitten.com) to browse blog posts about teacher tips, math instruction, or special education strategies! See you there!

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Tag me on Instagram! – I love seeing my products in classrooms around the world! After using these pages in your classroom, snap a photo and tag @middleschoolinthemitten! I can't wait to see!

Lastly, [check out my website](#) for more teacher time savers, tips, and resources!

THANK YOU!

Thank you so much for your support! I hope you find this resource useful in your classroom! Please remember to leave feedback to earn TpT credits which can be used towards future purchases. Follow me on TpT to be notified when new resources are added! If you have questions or concerns, please email me at MiddleSchoolintheMitten@gmail.com.



- aly franklin

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