



## SGA Officer Requirements

SGA officers have a tremendous amount of responsibility at Walter Johnson. They are not simply figure heads, but they have many roles and responsibilities at the school. If you choose to run for an SGA officer position, you must be able to meet the following requirements:

1. Attend all scheduled officer meetings
2. Schedule and host monthly class caucuses (any concerns should be submitted to the agenda for the WJ Town Hall)
3. Attend all IC, PTSA, and Booster Club meetings (at least one officer must be at each of these meetings)
4. Attend monthly MCR meetings that are held at various high schools around the county.
5. Support the organization and coordination of school wide events. (Back to School Night, Homecoming, blood drives, community fundraisers, etc.)
6. Work in coordination with the Leadership class on numerous school wide events and activities.
7. Attend **ALL** after school and evening events that are sponsored by the SGA and Leadership
8. Other duties as assigned

When you choose to run for an SGA officer position, you will be required to spend a significant amount of time working with and for the school.

I have read the requirements for being a SGA officer and understand what is expected in order to maintain my position.

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# Election Campaign Guidelines

ELECTION DATE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 30th

1. **ALL CAMPAIGN MATERIALS ARE DUE BY FRIDAY, MAY 18th. YOU MUST TURN IN YOUR MATERIALS IN ORDER TO BE AN APPROVED CANDIDATE.**
2. Speeches will be videotaped between **May 7<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>**. Filming with Mr. Mulhern must be scheduled with him only AFTER submitting all other election materials. If you are submitting your own video, it must be emailed to [james.p.mulherniii@mcpsmd.net](mailto:james.p.mulherniii@mcpsmd.net) no later than May 14<sup>th</sup>. **Please make sure that your file has your name, grade, and office you are running for (e.g.: Smith\_11\_ClassVP.mp4 or Jones\_12\_SGATreas.mp4).** If you miss your appointment for filming your speech you will not likely be able to reschedule due to the large number of candidates.
3. Your speech should be:
  - **Positive**
  - **No negative campaigning**
  - **No props or costumes; keep your background simple—a solid-colored wall is ideal**
  - **Highlight your strengths as a candidate and for the position you are seeking**
  - **Any inappropriate comments in a speech may result in the speech not being aired.**
4. Advertising that is not conducted at school must also be appropriate and positive.
5. You can create up to 10 large posters (no larger than the standard 22" X 28"). They must be positive in nature (no negative campaigning) and have no inappropriate wording or graphics. **Any material(s) used to support your campaign must be approved by the SGA advisor and an Assistant Principal.**
6. You can make and post up to 50 8.5" X 11" flyers with the same guidelines as the posters. All approved posters and flyers can be posted on or after Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>.
7. Flyers, stickers, and/or buttons may be distributed on Election Day but only before school, between classes, and during lunch. No distributing these materials during classes.

**If you have any questions about the election or campaigning that is not including in the information above, please see Ms. Carlin (room 148) before doing anything without approval.**

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I agree to follow each of the election guidelines and recognize that not following the guidelines may result in speeches and other campaign materials from being used and/or may ultimately lead to me being removed as an official candidate.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Candidate Petition

You need fifty students **FROM YOUR GRADE** to sign this candidate petition in order for you to participate in the election.

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