



CAMMERAY PUBLIC SCHOOL **STUDENT LEADERSHIP CHARTER**

Rationale

At Cammeray Public School the development of life-long leadership skills is one of the learning opportunities offered to all students. Having effective student leaders supports the development of responsible behaviour and a positive school tone. It encourages students to model the values of integrity, excellence, fairness, responsibility, democracy, co-operation, participation, respect and care.

The aim of this charter is to:

- outline the selection criteria for nominations
- outline the procedures for nominations and voting
- outline the Student Leadership in Primary Schools (SLiPS) program
- state the selection and role retention criteria of each position
- provide opportunities for senior students to develop leadership skills.

Student Leadership Framework

Leadership Positions:

- *12 x Year 6 Student Leaders, including 2 x Captains and 2 x Vice-Captains*
- *16 x House Captains (2 students from each sport house: Cook, Flinders, Tasman, Wentworth)*

Criteria

- Students in Year 5 will be eligible for nomination provided they meet the selection criteria
- The school will provide the Year 6 Student Leaders with opportunities to act as school ambassadors
- The Student Leaders will receive a badge of office to be worn each day
- The Principal may revoke a School Leader's position if the Student Leadership Charter is not followed

Selection Criteria for Nominations

Students will be eligible for nomination if they:

- respect themselves and others, including school property, as well as completing all school work to the best of their ability
- act and speak honestly and politely, towards their peers, school staff and community members
- engage in safe, friendly play, and co-operate by working with other students and teachers
- show consideration of the feelings and differences of others
- use common sense and think about their actions
- wear their school uniform with pride
- speak confidently in public and can address an audience with minimal preparation
- participate actively in school activities
- are positive role models at all times
- complete and understand all aspects of the Student Leadership in Primary Schools (SLiPS) program, including the regular journal entries, Leadership Logbook and designated assessment tasks.

It is expected that students will be respectful, responsible learners consistently displaying exemplary leadership behaviour.



Nominations for Year 6 School Leaders

- Year 5 students will participate in a structured leadership program [Student Leadership in Primary Schools – SLiPS] throughout the year, requiring them to complete a leadership log and associated assessment tasks. Students will conference with their classroom teacher to determine their leadership capabilities.
- All teachers of Stage 3 students will check each candidate's eligibility against the selection criteria.
- Students then complete a nomination form to self-nominate, prioritising the position they would like to hold for the subsequent school year.
- For the roles of Captains/Vice-Captains, all students will be part of an interview process conducted by the Principal and/or Deputy Principals.

Speeches for Year 6 School Leaders

Once a student is successful with their nomination and pre-selection, those students wishing to gain the role of Year 6 School Leader will be required to present a 2 minute speech to their Year 3-6 peers at a 3-6 assembly.

Speeches are to be written at school prior to presenting at assembly. Each student will be given 12 minutes to prepare their speech. The students will be given guidelines of things to include in their speech. Voting will follow immediately after the speeches are completed.

Voting for Year 6 School Leaders

The voting process will proceed as follows:

- eligible voters include: all Year 3-5 students, successful nominees, and all teaching staff
- students and staff will vote for 1 boy and 1 girl candidate (where possible)
- School Captain and Vice Captain positions will be filled in order of the number of votes received
- the Deputy Principals and Stage 3 Assistant Principal will be responsible for organising the secret ballot, as well as conducting the voting and counting the votes
- results of the voting will be shared with Year 5 students, emailed to families of nominees and announced at the Annual Presentation Day Assembly.

Speeches for the Roles of House Captains/Vice Captains

Once a student is successful with their House Captain nomination, those students wishing to gain the position of House Captain/Vice Captain are required to present a 1-2 minute speech, as well as lead a war cry with their respective House group (Year 3-5 students) of *Cook*, *Flinders*, *Tasman*, *Wentworth*.

Speeches are to be written at school prior to presenting at the house meeting. Each student will be given 12 minutes to write their speech. The students will be given guidelines of things to include in their speech. Voting will follow immediately after the speeches are completed.

Voting for House Captains/Vice Captains

The voting process will proceed as follows:

- eligible voters include: all Year 3-5 students, successful nominees of each house group (*Sport house: Cook, Flinders, Tasman, Wentworth*); and 3-6 teaching staff
- students will vote for 1 boy and 1 girl candidate (where possible) in the house meeting by putting heads down and a hand up for their preferred candidate
- Supervising teachers will count the votes and House Captain/Vice Captain positions will be filled in order of the number of votes received



- results of the voting will be shared with Year 5 students, emailed to families of nominees and announced at the Annual Presentation Day Assembly

Role Retention Criteria for Year 6 Student Leaders

Cammeray Public School expects its Student Leaders to behave in a courteous manner, engage in safe play, complete work to the best of their ability, wear full school uniform and participate actively in all school events. The Principal may revoke a School Leader's position if they:

- receive any major incident cards
- have been given a Formal Caution of Suspension or a Suspension
- display unacceptable behaviour
- fail to carry out their role
- do not adhere to the Cammeray Public School Student Leadership Charter (Appendix 1)

If a School Leader's position is revoked, the boy or girl next in line (based on number of votes) will step into the position.

Roles of School Captains and Vice-Captains

- Greet visitors and guests to the school
- Run, or assist with assemblies, special days and events including ANZAC Day and Presentation Day
- Help at Kindergarten Transitions and Orientations and with settling these students into school life
- Liaise with school executive and teachers
- Represent Cammeray Public School at out of school and inter-school activities and events
- Attend and lead SRC meetings
- Provide reports for the school website and newsletter as required
- Other duties as negotiated

Roles of House Captains/Vice Captains

- Hold house meetings before all major carnivals (Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country)
- Assist as required during major carnivals (Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country)
- Generate **house spirit** and encourage house members to perform at the best of their ability at sporting and school events
- Coordinate lunchtime sports sessions as required
- Assisting teachers with setting up and organisation of equipment
- Speak at assemblies – reporting on sporting events
- Provide reports for the school website and newsletter as required



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Cammeray Public School values the leadership roles that Year 6 students exhibit within the school. Your child will undertake a major commitment to Cammeray Public School as Senior School Leaders and will play a key role in the school leadership team.

As such, the school expects all members of the leadership team to adhere to the following at all times:

ROLES

- To lead students from K-6
- To represent the school at special events
- To participate fully and responsibly in all school activities
- To lead or participate fully in the Student Representative Council (SRC)
- To complete jobs/responsibilities as asked by teachers or the school executive team
- To lead assemblies
- To assist other students and teachers and to demonstrate a willingness to perform extra duties in own time

RESPONSIBILITIES

- To set a good example to all students
- To wear complete school uniform at all times, including leadership badge, school hat, black shoes/joggers, socks which cover the ankle, green hair ribbons/bands etc. We ask for parental support in ensuring the correct full school uniform is worn at all times
- To be fully prepared and punctual for the activity/event in which you are participating/leading e.g. buddy programs, assemblies etc
- To behave appropriately at all times, in all situations
- To follow school and class rules

CONSEQUENCES

- If a student leader breaches the charter by not fulfilling their commitments, the Principal will issue a formal warning
- Should a school leader then fail to fulfill his/her roles and responsibilities they will lose their leadership position

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Please read the above carefully and sign below. In signing the section below you are communicating to the school that you are committed and support the Student Leadership Charter. You accept the responsibility of the position and understand that consequences for breaches of the charter may occur, including loss of badge and responsibilities.

School Leader: _____

Parent: _____

Classroom Teacher: _____

Date: _____