



## Lincoln High Student Council Membership Application

For the Fall 2017—Spring 2018 Academic Year

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in joining the Lincoln High Student Council. We take great pride in our mission to promote a positive peer culture at LHS, and hope to enhance our council by actively recruiting and carefully selecting new members.

Members of the Lincoln High Student Council are expected to:

- Provide an official voice that is representative of the student body
- Attend meetings every school day from 7:00 AM to 7:50 AM
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\*Student Council members receive five credit hours per semester. Grades are awarded based on participation and leadership growth.

### Steps to the Application Process:

- Complete the Student Council application and return to Ms. Nicole Barnes at Lincoln High School by **Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017**. (Applications may be hand-delivered or mailed to 2229 J Street, Lincoln, NE 68510.)
- Include two recommendation forms completed by adults in signed, sealed envelopes. (No parents or relatives, please.)
- Visit a Student Council meeting. Meetings take place from 7:00 AM to 7:50 AM every school day in Room 100M. (Optional)

Applicants will be notified of their application status, regardless of acceptance, by July 2017 via a letter sent to the applicant's provided address.

The Lincoln High Student Council is excited to get to know you through the application process! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Nicole Barnes, Student Council Sponsor, at [nbarnes@lps.org](mailto:nbarnes@lps.org), or (402) 436-1301.

All the best,

The Lincoln High Student Council

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2016-2017**

**Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student ID #** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_ **City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name(s) of Parent(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Grade for the 2016-2017 School Year:** \_\_\_\_\_

The Lincoln High Student Council is looking for applicants who demonstrate the highest levels of commitment, integrity, and creativity. On separate sheets of paper, please answer the following questions:

1. Why do you want to be a member of the Lincoln High Student Council?
2. What leadership talents and strengths do you feel you can bring to the Council?
3. Student Council meets at 7:00 AM, and members are expected to attend after school functions, which sometimes includes weekend activities. Are you willing to set aside time for these events? Explain how you plan to make Student Council a priority.
4. Identify an important issue facing high school students. Discuss how Student Council might work to improve or solve this issue.
5. Student Council members are a major part of making a difference in the school and surrounding community. Choose ONE of the following to write about. Include your beliefs, and how you would take action.
  - a. How might you suggest Student Council go about positively impacting peer culture at LHS?
  - b. Student Council does a great deal of fundraising. What new and creative ideas would you bring to the Council?
  - c. At LHS, we work diligently to increase school spirit. How would you suggest we promote school spirit and student involvement?

**Statement of Integrity:**

I have read the application in its entirety, and truthfully answered the questions on this application. I understand the Lincoln High School rules still apply to our Council, and I am willing to participate in Student Council.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
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## Recommendation Form

To the teacher, counselor, sponsor, coach, or other respected adult: Please complete the following recommendation form based on your knowledge of the student who is applying for membership in the Lincoln High Student Council. Return the form to the applicant in a signed, sealed envelope so he or she can include it with other application materials.

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What leadership strengths and weaknesses does the applicant exhibit?

Please rank the following on a 1 to 10 scale, with 10 being the highest.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Potential for leadership development
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ability to work with others
- \_\_\_\_\_ Ability to lead peers
- \_\_\_\_\_ Responsibility
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Additional Comments:

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