



Student Leadership guidelines

Updated 2020

Farmborough Road Public School places great importance on the development of students' self-esteem, self-discipline and responsibility. Students are taught to be responsible, respectful school citizens as well as developing an awareness of their role in an ever changing global community.

We believe that students should be given an opportunity to have input on decisions, voice concerns and make suggestions to improve their school and community. This will be provided through the role of School Leaders, as a member on the Student Representative Council and as House Captains.

All students in Years 5 and 6 (regardless of their position) will be provided opportunities to develop their skills in leadership. This may include in-school and non-school based workshops, conferences and group sessions.

Students can only hold one leadership position at a time.

Leadership privileges may be removed either temporarily or permanently if the student doesn't continue to meet all of the necessary leadership attributes. Students and parents will be notified if this is being considered, to allow the opportunity for improvement. Decisions will be at the discretion of the School Executive team.

If a student vacates their leadership position for any reason (including leaving the school) the student who was next in line in the voting process will be inducted into this position at the next school assembly.

Composition

Farmborough Road PS will elect **4 School Leaders**. This group will be representative of both genders.

Farmborough Road PS will elect **8 House Captains**. These will generally consist of one boy and one girl for each house.

Farmborough Road PS will elect 2 students from each mainstream class and one from each support class to be members on the **Student Representative Council (SRC)**. This will include one boy and one girl from each class.



SCHOOL LEADERS

Farmborough Road Public School

To be nominated for a School Leader position

Students must have demonstrated in Year 5 the following attributes:-

- Outstanding behaviour (minimal behaviour incidents recorded)
- Regular school attendance (above 90% in normal circumstances)
- Wearing of full school uniform.
- Respect for adults and students at all times.
- Being a role model in the classroom, playground and when representing the school.
- Upholding of the school values of Respect, Responsibility and Safety.
- Displaying good public speaking skills.
- Taking responsibility for their actions.
- School citizenship or school community service.

Process of election to School Leader position

- This process will be completed late in Term 4 in preparation for the following year.
- Year 5 students can nominate themselves for election by completing a nomination form. Students are required to gain the support of a Year 4 student, a teacher, and their parent/carer.
- Teachers will check that the student has met the criteria before they sign the nomination form.
- Once students have gained their support, they will complete a supporting statement that addresses the question, "How have you positively contributed to Farmborough Road PS?"
- Students who successfully complete this process will be invited to present a speech to a whole school assembly.
- Students may campaign during this time by displaying posters around the school. Parents of candidates are not to be involved in the campaign process and will not attend speeches. Any inappropriate campaigning may jeopardise the position of the candidate.
- All students and staff will participate in the selection process by electing their preferred candidates by numbering in order 1, 2 and 3.
- The votes will be tallied and a decision finalised.
- There must be at least one successful candidate from each gender.
- The names of the successful leaders will be announced at the end of year Presentation morning, where they will be presented with their badges and complete their pledge.



Farmborough Road Public School

Role of School Leaders

- Be an active leader of the Student Representative Council.
- Be a positive role model to younger students in the school.
- Take initiative and be reliable in carrying out duties.
- Liaise with the Principal to share and gain approval of SRC ideas.
- Conduct weekly and special assemblies.
- Represent the school at special functions eg Anzac Day.
- Be involved in special occasions such as greeting and thanking visitors.
- Ensure the daily flying of the flags.
- Compose items for the school newsletter.
- Be an active member of the PBL team.

School Leader Pledge

“As a school leader at Farmborough Road Public School, I pledge to carry out my duties in an honest, positive and diligent manner to the best of my ability. I promise to encourage other students to always be their best!

I will make the time to help all members of the school community. I further promise to demonstrate school values, adhere to school expectations, set a good example to the students of the school and co-operate with the staff to make the school a happy and productive place for all.”



Farmborough Road Public School

HOUSE CAPTAINS

To be nominated for a House Captain position

Students must have previously demonstrated the following attributes:-

- Outstanding behaviour (minimal behaviour incidents recorded)
- Regular school attendance (above 90% in normal circumstances)
- Attendance at sports carnivals and events.
- Showing good sportsmanship.
- Respect for adults and students at all times.
- Being a role model in the classroom, playground and when representing the school.
- Upholding of the school values of Respect, Responsibility and Safety.
- Taking responsibility for their actions.

Process of election to a House Captain position.

- This process will take place late in Term 4 in preparation for the following year.
- Students who will be in Year 5 or 6 in the following year will nominate themselves or their peers for election to a House Captain position.
- Teachers will ensure students who are nominated meet the expected criteria.
- Where possible, there will be a boy and girl House Captain elected.
- Where more than one student is nominated, there will be a secret ballot
- The names of the successful house captains will be announced at the end of year Presentation morning, where they will be presented with their badges and complete their pledge.

Role of House Captains

- Be an active leader of their house and of sport across the school.
- Be a positive role model to younger students in the school.
- Take initiative and be reliable in carrying out duties.
- Always display and encourage the practice of being a good sport.
- Encourage students to participate in sporting events.
- Organise relay teams at carnivals.
- Instil enthusiasm at sporting carnivals, including cheering
- Compose items for the school newsletter.
- Participate in sports storeroom duties as required.
- Participate in playground games duties as required.



Farmborough Road Public School

House Captain Pledge

"We as the House Captains of Farmborough Road Public School, aspire to achieve the highest levels of performance, conduct and participation from ourselves and members of our sports houses.

We promise to:

- Represent our sporting houses with pride.
- Co-operate with all staff and officials.
- Respect and abide by the rules.
- Demonstrate and encourage practices which promote being a good sport to the best of our abilities."



STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL (SRC)

**Farmborough Road
Public School**

To be nominated for an SRC position

Students must have previously demonstrated the following attributes:-

- Outstanding behaviour (minimal behaviour incidents recorded)
- Regular school attendance (above 90% in normal circumstances)
- Wearing of full school uniform.
- Respect for adults and students at all times.
- Being a role model in the classroom, playground and when representing the school.
- Upholding of the school values of Respect, Responsibility and Safety.
- Displaying good communication skills.
- Taking responsibility for their actions.

Process of election to an SRC position.

- This process will take place in Term 1 Week 5 each year for students in Years 1-6. Kindergarten students will complete this process at the end of Term 2 to begin in Term 3.
- Students will nominate themselves or their peers for the position of SRC representative.
- Teachers will remind students that they need to vote for someone who meets the expected criteria. Teachers will not be required to check Sentral records. Students will need to continue to demonstrate the required criteria to maintain their position.
- One boy and one girl will be elected through secret ballot.
- Students may be elected as SRC representative more than once.

Role of Student Representative Council members

- Represent their class at all Student Representative Council meetings.
- Report information back to their class following meetings.
- Be a positive role model to other students in the school.
- Take initiative and be reliable in carrying out duties.
- Be involved in special occasions such as greeting and thanking visitors.
- Assist with school initiatives that may include recycling, fundraisers, and activity days.



Inspiring a community of learners

Farmborough Road Public School

Student Representative Council Pledge

“As the Student Representative Council of Farmborough Road Public School, we promise to complete our responsibilities to the best of our ability, challenge ourselves to work hard and participate in all school activities showing respect, responsibility and safety.

Our attendance and behaviour will be of the highest standard to set an excellent example for our peers. We will wear our school uniform with pride.”