

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP ELECTIONS

Dear Parents/Carers,

Preparations are well underway for the elections of our school leaders for 2021. The election process for 2021 leaders consists of the following steps:

- Year 5 students who are keen to be a leader in 2021 will need to complete a
 criteria/behavioural expectations sheet that needs to be signed off by a parent
 and the class teacher.
- 2. Nominees who are unable to fulfil all criteria/behavioural expectations will become ineligible for further selection in the process.
- 3. Successful nominees will be asked to prepare a speech of no more than 2 minutes to present at a special assembly.
- 4. Years 2 5 and current staff will vote immediately after the speeches. Successful students will be those who have the most votes. Combined teacher votes are worth 50% of the ballot.
- 5. The 2 school captains and 4 vice captains will be announced at the end of year Presentation Day Assembly.
- 6. School Leaders are expected to sign a contract promising to fulfil their obligations and duties.
- 7. House Captains and Vice Captains will be selected and announced early in Term 1 of 2021.

If your child has chosen to nominate themselves for a school leadership position for 2021, please have them complete the nomination form and return it by **Friday 20**November, 2020.

Mrs L Crawford

PRINCIPAL

Mrs S Lakeman and Mrs K Cutting

DEPUTY PRINCIPALS



JPPS STUDENT LEADERSHIP CRITERIA

Students who are nominated for school leadership positions must fulfil the following criteria/behavioural expectations:

	Shows the ability to make decisions for themselves (without peer			
	pressure).			
	Demonstrates <u>exemplary</u> behaviour – acts with integrity, honesty and			
	respect, in both the classroom, the playground and at extra-curricular			
	activities. (Students are expected to have minimal behaviour notifications in Sentral.			
	Students with behaviour notifications will be reviewed by the school executive).			
	Has shown a willingness to be involved in extracurricular activities such			
	as PSSA, choir, dance, debate, etc.			
	Displays initiative and works well as a team member.			
	Possesses strong communication skills. (Written / verbal, reflective			
	listening.)			
	Proudly wears school uniform always; prepared to wear formal school			
	blazer as part of the uniform in leadership role.			
☐ Treats other staff, students and visitors in the school respectfully at a				
	times.			
	Abides by the school wide PBL expectations at all times.			
Please note: Students who attain a leadership position and fail to continue to fulfil the				
above criteria may be removed from the position at the principal's/principal's				
delegate's discretion.				

JOHN PALMER PUBLIC SCHOOL

LEADERSHIP ELECTION PROCESS



- **Step1** Nominations are taken from Year 5 students.
- Step2 The interested nominees will meet as a group with the Deputy Principal and/or Assistant Principal of Stage 3 to discuss the criteria.
- Step3 Nominees complete criteria sheet which is then signed off by parent and class teacher. Nominees who can't fulfil all criteria and behavioural expectations on the sheet will not be eligible for the ballot.
- **Step4** If there are more than 8 nominees of any gender, candidates will be culled through the following process:
 - * Year 5 students and teachers will vote for 8 boys and 8 girls to give speeches at the special assembly.
- Step5 Nominees will appear on ballot form with their school photo and present speeches, in a random order, as compiled in conjunction with 2 members of the JPPS Executive.
- Step6 Nominees present speeches of not more than 2 minutes at the assembly.
- Step7 Years 2-5 votes are conducted immediately after the assembly on the Google form voting sheet. Teachers should set up 4-5 laptops and cycle students through the voting. Teachers complete separate Google form for staff only.
- Step8 A first-past-the-post voting system is utilised to determine the leadership team consisting of 6 students (3 boys and 3 girls) 2 captains (1 boy and 1 girl) and 4 vice captains (2 boys and 2 girls). Combined teacher votes are worth 50% of the total ballot.
- **Step9** Once all the votes have been tallied, the names of the 6 successful nominees are reviewed by the Principal and Deputy Principals, typed onto a document and sealed in an envelope.
- **Step10**School Captains and Vice Captains are announced at the Presentation Day Assembly of the same year.
- Step11House Captains and Vice Captains are selected and announced early in Term 1 of the following year. These nominations will come from the criteria sheet. Students who have been successful in School Captain/Vice-Captain elections will be ineligible for House Leader positions.
- Step12Leaders are presented with badges at the Leadership Induction Ceremony in Term 1 of the following year (usually Week 5).

(Updated October 2020 by JPPS Leadership Team – to be reviewed in October 2022)



SCHOOL LEADERSHIP NOMINATION FORM

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION AS A STUDENT LEADER AT JOHN PALMER PUBLIC SCHOOL

If you think you have the following attributes, tick the box next to each one.

Write a short comment about how you have shown this during your time at JPPS.

<u>Integrity</u>	<u>Excellence</u>	<u>Innovation</u>
I show integrity by:	I show excellence by:	I show innovation by:
☐ In the classroom:	☐ In the classroom:	☐ In the classroom:
☐ In the playground:	☐ In the playground:	☐ In the playground:
□ Other:	□ Other:	□ Other:



SCHOOL LEADERSHIP NOMINATION FORM

John Palmer PS needs students who are responsible, who show initiative, who are creative, who know how to set goals and meet them, who get along with people of various backgrounds and cultures, and who can resolve conflicts and solve problems.

I am seeking to be a leader in the following areas:		
□ School Leader an	d/or Sports House Leader	
Student Name:	Class: House:	
Teacher Recommendation	Parental Support	
Do you support this candidate's application?	Do you support this candidate's application?	
□Yes □No	□Yes □No	
Please comment on the suitability of this candidate for student leadership based on the criteria.	Please comment on the suitability of this candidate for student leadership based on the criteria.	
Signed	Signed	