



ASB
 Student Senate
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ALL Classes:
 Welcome Back Week
 3 Day Leadership Camp
 Pep Rallies Through Halls
 Multi-Cultural Week
 Teacher Appreciation Week
 You Belong Here Week

**EL Capitan High School
 Leadership Program**

FAQ's

How did you get all the classes the same period?

Just ask! It is amazing what your administration can do, especially when you tell them what amazing affects this program can have on your campus.

How did you fund the program?

Again, ask your administration for class sections. Chances are you already have ASB (and maybe another leadership class or link crew) so adding 1-2 more sections is very do-able on most campuses. As for activities, ASB continues to fund all activities for all classes, but having 4 times more students means 4 times more participation in events and that brings more school spirit and attendance (which means more income).

How does ASB create their budget?

Leadership teachers create a calendar with possible events and ask for ASB to include those in the ASB budget. We also allocate \$500 to each class for smaller events so they do not have to come ask ASB for every little thing.

How does the program run on a daily basis?

Most days each class works on class projects/events. 2-3 times a month we get all students together for leadership lessons or team building. All classes work together for large events such as Homecoming, Multi-Cultural Week, and You Belong Here Week. We also have sub committees for certain events made up of kids from all classes that are passionate about the event (basketball game with special needs kids, spirit section at basketball, Airband, etc).

How does the application process work?

Applications go out in February (due in March). We also ask staff for recommendations We have done a variety of "2nd steps" in the application process, including individual interviews, group interviews, video interviews, and group tasks. This year we are going off faculty recommendations and interviewing only students we feel we need to get to know better.

What if a student signs up for one class and then changes their mind?

We give students a chance to rank the classes they want on the application. The leadership teachers carefully place each student into classes, taking into consideration the students 1st choice, the skills they have, and personality types. Most students are placed into their 1st or 2nd choice. We do not move students once they are placed in a class.

How do you deal with scheduling conflicts?

Being a comprehensive high school, there will be conflicts, however, our admin has done a great job moving singleton classes that may conflict with leadership. There will always be conflicts and students will have to make choices. We lose 4-5 students a year to scheduling conflicts.

How do you get information out to the incoming 9th graders?

We send applications out to the middle school ASB's, include a flyer about the application process in our registration packets, and do a presentation about the program at all 8th grade articulation meetings, rallies, etc.



Class Descriptions

E-Crew is a Service Learning and Community Outreach Leadership class that focuses on the El Capitan community as well as the Lakeside community. E-Crew runs various community service activities. This class is open to grades 9-12.

C-Crew is a class that focuses on climate and culture by uniting the El Capitan community through activities and addressing various issues on campus. C-Crew focuses on continuing to build a positive culture on campus through listening and addressing student needs. This class is open to grades 9-12.

V-Crew is a mentor program that focuses on transitioning freshmen into high school as well as into our El Capitan community. V-Crew begins with making connections at freshman orientation and then continues those connections throughout the year in a variety of activities. This class is open to grades 11 & 12 only.

ASB is a student government class that oversees program budgets and policies. ASB's main focus is promoting school spirit. ASB puts on school spirit activities and promotes all school activities through various publicity methods. This class is open to grades 9-12.

*All leadership classes need to be the same period.

*All leadership teachers should have a common prep period.

El Capitan Leadership Application: 2023-2024

DUE NO LATER THAN Tuesday, March 3rd at 3:30pm to Finance Office

The Leadership program is made up of 3 classes that meet during the same period and work together to achieve a common goal: To build a strong school culture through leadership and collaboration. EC-Crew(Excellence & Community), V-Crew (Vaquero), and ASB (associated student body) will all work together to promote leadership, positive school climate, school spirit, and overall school improvement.

By filling out this application you are applying to the LEADERSHIP PROGRAM not a specific class.

DIRECTIONS: Place a 1 next to your top class choice. Place a 2 next to your second choice class. Place a 3 next to your third choice class.

_____ **EC-Crew** is a service leadership class that will focus on community outreach servicing the El Capitan community as well as the greater San Diego community as well as improving the campus climate and culture to unite our students. As an EC-Crew leader your focus will be to continue a positive culture on campus through listening to your peers and addressing their needs. This class is open to grades 9-12. Taught by Mr. Ludwig.

_____ **ASB** is a spirit leadership class that will focus on promoting school spirit. This is a student government class and is open to all grade levels. ASB puts on school spirit activities such as Homecoming, various lunchtime activities, Mr. Vaquero, and school publicity to name a few. This class is open to grades 9-12. Taught by Mrs. Garcia.

_____ **V-Crew** is a mentor program that focuses on freshmen as they transition into high school as well as new students transitioning into our community. As a V-Crew leader you will run Freshmen Orientation before school starts, The V-Crew class will focus on the freshmen class and teaching leadership skills that will help you be a mentor to the incoming freshmen. This program is open to Sophomores and Juniors who will be Juniors and Seniors next year. Taught by Mr. Curtis.

Name _____

YOUR Email (an email that you can access over summer as well): _____

YOUR Cell phone number (put NA if you do not have a cell phone) _____

For current 8th graders:

What Middle School do you attend _____

*****PLEASE NOTE:** V-Crew class is for 10th and 11th grade students only (next years juniors and seniors)!***

Is there any class you would not consider? Explain:

*****WRITE VERY NEATLY. IF WE CAN'T READ YOUR EMAIL, WE CAN'T GET AHOLD OF YOU.**

Requirements:

1. Completed application. FOLLOW DIRECTIONS CAREFULLY!
2. A good attitude

Answer the following questions on a separate sheet of paper. Your answers should include the question and the answer. They MUST be TYPED, well written in complete and detailed sentences with correct punctuation and grammar. Hand written responses may not be accepted.

For current EC students:

1. What current issues and/or problems exist at El Capitan that you feel need to be addressed by the Leadership Program?
2. If you were accepted into the Leadership Program, what would you do to help solve the problem that you identified in question number 1?
3. What activities are you involved in both inside and outside school?
4. What is a challenge that you have faced in school and what did you learn from it?
5. Looking over your grades, please indicate how the teacher of your highest AND your lowest grade would respond to us if we asked them about your strengths and weaknesses, not only about your academic skills, but your behavior and your attitude and effort in their class.

For 8th graders:

1. What current issues and/or problems exist at your middle school that you feel need to be addressed by leaders on your campus?
2. If you were accepted into the Leadership Program, what would you do to help solve the problem that you identified in question number 1?
3. What activities are you involved in both inside and outside school?
4. What is a challenge that you have faced in school and what did you learn from it?
5. Looking over your grades, please indicate how the teacher of your highest AND your lowest grade would respond to us if we asked them about your strengths and weaknesses, not only about your academic skills, but your behavior and your attitude and effort in their class.
6. Have a current teacher email a recommendation letter to decurtis@guhsd.net

*After your application is received, you will be notified about the next step in the process. Your application may not be considered if any part of the application is not complete.

I understand that I am signing up to be a part of the Leadership Program. I understand that I will be enrolling in a leadership class. I understand that I will be working together with other leadership classes to promote a positive school community.

Student Signature

I understand that my student is applying for the leadership program and I will support his/her commitment to improving the El Capitan Community through leadership.

Parent/Guardian Signature

*Applications can be turned into the finance office or scanned and emailed to decurtis@guhsd.net.