**James Clemens High School Student Government**

 **2025-2026 Rising Freshmen Election Information**

**Important Election Dates:**

**CLASS OFFICER: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer:**

* **FRIDAY 4/11: Officer Agreements and YouTube Campaign Video due** to Mrs. Turner by 3:30 via email (mturner@madisoncity.k12.al.us) or

 turned in at the front office at JC. Enter your information on the officer intent-to-run sheet link on JC website or here: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1x-2Atf4jzabkGMApe1F8r9xj8IgXGpxxKQYdnnTS09Y/edit?usp=sharing

* **Approved Candidates posted 4:00pm Monday April 14**
* April 15 - 18: Class Candidate Campaign
* Monday, April 21: Google Ballot and Video links posted. Voting on Google form open all day
* Results posted/announced. Tuesday April 22, 2024

**Campaign Rules:**

1. All candidates must submit a **YouTube** campaign video.

 MUST be **YouTube**

* 1. **YouTube** Video must be submitted on the day that the election packet is due.
	2. **YouTube** Video must be no longer than 1 minute and include your name, office that you are running for, and what qualifications you have for the office.
1. Campaigning will take place with Posters and Social Media. Only clean campaigns will be allowed. **NO** slander, vandalism, or other vulgarity will be tolerated. You may be disqualified if found guilty of any offense.
2. A maximum of four poster sized campaign ads and twenty-five flyer sized campaign ads may be used in campaigning. These posters may only be posted with pre-approved adhesive. Sticky tack is recommended but not required; clear packing tape also works well.
3. All campaign materials must be removed by 4:00pm on the day of elections. Any remaining campaign materials may be grounds for disqualification (disqualification is at the advisor’s discretion).
	1. *Do not hang any campaign materials inside classrooms or in the Landing/commons area. It is recommended that you make a note of your sign locations when you hang them. Please report any missing signs as soon as possible.*
4. Candy, food, stickers or gifts of any kind cannot be passed out during campaigns.
5. Participating in or even encouraging the defacement or removal of another candidate’s campaign materials may be grounds for disqualification.

# James Clemens High School Student Government

Requirements for Office

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1. Officers must be committed to their student government obligations. It is a huge responsibility to be a class officer; your class, as well as the entire school, is counting on you to do a great job. Please consider your schedule and be sure that student government will be a top priority. Officers are required to:
* **Attend a Leadership Conference in the fall when available**
* **Attend the 2 day State Conference in March/April (approx. cost $150)**
* **Set up AND take down Homecoming Dance**
1. Leadership Team meetings: All officers must attend officer meetings as scheduled.

This will be **at least** once weekly depending on SGA projects i.e. homecoming, Prom, Service Projects, ASCA projects, etc.

These required meetings will be posted at least a week in advance.

1. All executive officers must have *and maintain* a minimum 3.0 GPA. Class officers must have *and maintain* a minimum 2.5 GPA. The guidance office will verify this.
2. No officer may have been suspended out of school during the preceding calendar year
3. All officers must turn in their completed petitions by the stated deadline (50 classmate signatures for class office. We will get GPA certification by your guidance counselor or the Registrar.
4. All officers must have shared these guidelines with his or her parents and returned a signed permission document signifying his or her parents’ permission to run and an understanding of the level of commitment involved.
5. All campaign guidelines must be followed to qualify as an officer.
6. Officers must be able to attend regularly scheduled meetings. Officers may **not miss more than 3 meetings per semester** and **must be present** when their class is involved in an activity i.e. Float building, Prom prep, etc.
7. Meeting times and locations will be set forth by the appropriate sponsors:
8. Executive officers and Senior Class officers must have served as an SGA member in good standing for at least 1 year and be current members of SGA unless there is no one running for the position.
9. Removed officers may not run for office the year following the dismissal.
10. Only Juniors and Seniors can run for Executive office unless there are vacant positions not filled by Juniors or Seniors.

## James Clemens High School

## Student Government Officer Agreement

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Class of: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Current grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Candidate for the Office of: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average: (unofficial copy of transcript -) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Student Government/leadership Experience: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

The James Clemens High School Student Government has high expectations for this year.

* Mandatory weekly Leadership Team meeting
* The students will be responsible for school wide activities, fundraisers, service projects and assemblies, with an emphasis on event planning and information dissemination required to build community and create a positive educational environment. The overall objective of the course is to facilitate the process of being effective leaders who support their educational community. School membership requirements for the State, Southern Association and National Associations of Student Councils will be maintained and members will compete at some or all of these levels at the respective conferences. Students who wish to develop the following skills are encouraged to apply for the Student Leadership Team:

\*Develop leadership skills \*Promote good citizenship and service

\*Prepare students to take leadership roles in the school and community

* **Participation in the Alabama Student Council Association State Conference is required. It will be a one to two day conference, usually in March or April.**
* We will be a very active group in both our school, our community and at the State level. The hours spent preparing for programs, service projects, and meetings will be long. There will also be a call for work after school and on weekends when major events occur (i.e. Homecoming).

I understand the obligation I am making to the James Clemens High School Student Government. If elected, I agree to fulfill the duties to my office to the best of my ability and commit to required meeting attendance. I further certify that I have not been suspended during the last calendar year. I agree that my campaign materials will be in good taste, in accordance with the campaign regulations set forth, as well as school and district policies. I understand that failure to follow these guidelines may result in my disqualification from this election.

**Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

I understand that my child will be undertaking a huge responsibility if elected to this office. I agree to provide transportation (if needed) to and from meetings and events. I further agree to support him/her in whatever way I can make sure he/she can fulfill this obligation.

**Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Please ask two teachers to fill out these forms and return them directly to Mrs. Turner.

SGA - Teacher Reference Form

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Subject(s) you taught this student: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please compare the student to his/her peers in the following categories, using the following scale:

1: well below average

2: below average

3: good (average)

4: very good (above average)

5: excellent (top

Leadership: \_\_\_\_

Motivation: \_\_\_\_

Integrity: \_\_\_\_

Respect for others: \_\_\_\_

Concern for others: \_\_\_\_

Initiative/Independence: \_\_\_\_

Disciplined Work Habits: \_\_\_\_

Additional comments:

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Teacher signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: Please return this form directly to Melanie Turner. Thank you!

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Please compare the student to his/her peers in the following categories, using the following scale:

1: well below average

2: below average

3: good (average)

4: very good (above average)

5: excellent (top 10%)

Leadership: \_\_\_\_

Motivation: \_\_\_\_

Integrity: \_\_\_\_

Respect for others: \_\_\_\_

Concern for others: \_\_\_\_

Initiative/Independence: \_\_\_\_

Disciplined Work Habits: \_\_\_\_

Additional comments:

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Teacher signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: Please return this form directly to Melanie Turner. Thank you!

## James Clemens High School

Student Government Election Signatures 2024-2025

My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I am running for \_\_\_\_(rising grade) class/executive (circle one)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(office), and I would appreciate your support!

Only members of YOUR class can sign for class officer elections.

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| 3. | 28. |
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| 22. | 47. |
| 23. | 48. |
| 24. | 49. |
| 25. | 50. |

\*Names and classification will be verified—James Clemens students only…superheroes, celebrities, or Presidents (past or present) need not sign. Please be sure the signature is legible.

## James Clemens High School

Student Government Election Additional Signatures for Executive

My name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I am running for \_\_\_\_(rising grade) class/executive (circle one)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(office), and I would appreciate your support!

ALL JC students 2024-2025 (not current seniors) can sign for executive officers

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| 53. | 78. |
| 54. | 79. |
| 55. | 80. |
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| 73. | 98. |
| 74. | 99. |
| 75. | 100. |

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