

GRANGER HIGH SCHOOL CONSTITUTION

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PREAMBLE

We, the students of Granger High School, in order to encourage effective self-government, promote cooperation between students and faculty, organize worthwhile activities and advance scholastic achievement, do hereby ordain and establish this constitution.

ARTICLE I: NAME, PURPOSE, SYMBOL, MASCOT, COLORS, SONG and MOTTO

SECTION 1 The purpose of Granger High School shall be to:

- A. Prepare students to graduate with 21st Century skills.
- B. Promote the highest standards of scholarship and citizenship.
- C. Promote loyalty and pride in Granger High School.
- D. Promote participation in all extracurricular activities.

SECTION 2 The school mascot shall be the Lancer.

- A. Approval of symbols (including logos) used to represent Granger High School shall rest with the administration.

SECTION 3 The school colors shall be Crimson Red, Columbia Blue, and Grey.

SECTION 4 The school song shall be the Alma Mater song, *Sing Hail to Thee*.

SECTION 5 The school motto shall be: "Per Angusta Ad Augusta," meaning "Through Trials and Adversity, We Will Reach the Heights."

ARTICLE II: STUDENT BODY

SECTION 1 All students enrolled in Granger High School will be considered members of the student body.

- A. They have all of the rights, privileges and obligations of membership of the student body.
- B. Representation of Granger High School in all student activities shall be confined to active members of the student body.

ARTICLE III: STUDENT BODY OFFICERS (SBO's)

SECTION 1 The Student Body Officers shall consist of the following elected offices:

- A. President, Executive Vice-President, and Secretary.
- B. Their term of office shall be from their inauguration to the following year's graduation.

SECTION 2 The Student Body Officers shall also consist of the following appointed offices:

- A. Public Relations Director, Art Director, Service Learning Coordinator, and Historian.
- B. Their term of office shall be from their inauguration to the following year's graduation.

SECTION 3 The duties of the Student Body Officers shall be:

- A. **President:** It shall be the duty of the Student Body President to be the official representative and spokesperson of Granger High School in student affairs. S/he shall be responsible for all Student Body Officers and governmental actions and decisions. S/he shall conduct all student government classes along with the Student Body Officer Advisor. S/he shall preside at student assemblies (having power to delegate this responsibility to other Student Body Officers). S/he will be in charge of setting a date and time that their officers, and Student Body Advisor will meet each month. S/he shall provide increased support for Lancer Pride activities as needed. S/he shall provide a schoolwide presidential message twice a month using school communication methods. S/he shall act as the liaison between the administration and the student body. S/he will be in charge of building school spirit and Lancer Pride through multiple schoolwide activities coordinating with other class officers, clubs and student organizations, and communities at large.
- B. **Executive Vice-President:** It shall be the duty of the Executive Vice- President to will lead all Ambassador monthly meetings. S/he will work with class VPs to plan agenda for Ambassador Round Table meetings. It shall be the duty of the Executive Vice-President to serve as the chair of student academic affairs. Duties would include and are not limited to, academic clubs and organizations, academic events, student academic recognition, and programs which enhance the academic success and support of Granger High School's student body. S/he shall organize social functions for Granger High School's Student Government and those combined with other local High School's Student Governments. It shall be the duty of the Student Body Executive Vice-President to take efforts toward diversity promotion. Along with planning and carrying out the school's "Diversity Week", while working together with the assistance of the Student Government and the Administration. S/he will be responsible for coordinating one activity a year to celebrate diversity. S/he will be responsible for coordinating the activities and programs of school organizations. S/he shall act as the liaison between the clubs, athletic teams, and Administration. S/he shall work with School Administrator over Lancer Pride and Lancer Pride Advisor. The Executive Vice-President shall assist and support the President in carrying out his/her responsibilities and is second in command.
- C. **Secretary:** It shall be the duty of the Secretary to take notes at each Student Government meeting. S/he shall work with the president and Granger High School's Student Body Advisor in preparing the calendar and budget. S/he shall work with class secretaries in keeping all calendars current including the Commons Area School Calendar. S/he will be in charge of holding all Student Body and class officers accountable to school activity assignments through quarterly reporting on Google Drive. S/he shall remind other Student Government Officers of upcoming events and

assignments. S/he shall prepare voting ballots for Student Body and Class Officer elections for the following school year in accordance with the Student Body Advisor and Administration. The Secretary shall assist and support the President in carrying out his/her responsibilities and is third in command.

- D. **Public Relations Director:** It shall be the duty of the Public Relations Director to inform the students, staff and community of school events using social media and GTV. The Public Relations Director will maintain the student government social media accounts, and is responsible for keeping them updated. He/she shall coordinate submission with the Communications committee as a student representative on the Communications committee. He/she shall attend the Communication committee meetings once a month. S/he must complete a CTE class of their choice: Video Production, Graphic Design, or Photography. If not before they are elected, then during the first semester of their tenure. The Public Relations Director shall assist and support the President and is fourth in command.
- E. **Art Director:** It shall be the duty of the Art Director to coordinate the art direction of the school. S/he shall coordinate and design posters and advertisements for upcoming school activities. S/he shall help design decorations for dances and other school events. Art Coordinator shall delegate and assign poster responsibilities to other members of their class. S/he shall design the sweater for the upcoming year for all offices. The Art Director shall assist and support the President and is fifth in command.
- F. **Service Learning Coordinator:** It shall be the duty of the Service Learning Coordinator to plan and carry out school service projects and service learning opportunities. S/he shall be in charge of coordinating the school's Turkey Box Service Project. S/he will be responsible for coordinating 2 school wide service projects each year, one per semester. S/he will be responsible for coordinating 2 Student Government service projects each year, one per semester. The Service Learning Coordinator shall assist and support the President and is sixth in command.
- G. **Historian:** It shall be the duty of the Historian to document the history of the Student Government and the School for that year. S/he shall compile in written and scrapbook form, history of the school year during his/her term of office. This scrapbook shall become part of the accumulative history of the school and is to be filed in the Alumni Room at the end of each school year. It will include more detailed information of things that Student Government worked to coordinate, and shall also include important historical details not able to be printed in the year book. S/he will need to have completed a photography class of their choice, if not before they are elected, then during the first semester of their tenure. The Historian shall assist and support the President and is seventh in command.
- H. The Student Body Advisor shall act as custodian of this constitution, its amendments and bills passed into law by the student body and Administration.

ARTICLE IV: ROUND-TABLE MEETINGS

- SECTION 1 The Round-Table is a student-led, monthly meeting conducted by the Executive Vice-President.
- SECTION 2 Membership of the Round-Table meetings shall include all Vice-Presidents and leaders of any student group or organization (clubs, teams, etc.)
- SECTION 3 The duty of the Round-Table shall be to discuss, organize and coordinate matters pertaining to student activities.
- SECTION 4 The Round Table shall also work together to implement the goals of Lancer Pride.

ARTICLE V: CLASS OFFICERS (CO's)

- SECTION 1 The Senior, Junior, and Sophomore Class Officers shall consist of the following elected offices:
- A. President, Vice-President and Secretary.
 - B. Their term of office shall be from their inauguration to the following year's graduation.
- SECTION 2 The Senior, Junior, Sophomore Class Officers shall also consist of the following appointed offices:
- A. Public Relations Director and Artist.
 - B. Their term of office shall be from their inauguration to the following year's graduation.
- SECTION 3 Freshman class officers will all be elected.
- A. President, Vice President and Secretary will be decided based on 50% votes, and 50% portfolio and interviews.]
 - B. Public Relations and Artist will be decided based on 30% votes and 70% portfolio and interviews.
 - C. Their term of office shall be from their election during the 3rd week of school to that school year's graduation.
- SECTION 4 The officers of each class shall be responsible for all student activities pertaining to their class in cooperation with the Student Body Officers.
- SECTION 5 The duties of the Class Officers shall be:
- A. **President:** The President of each class shall preside over his/her class with the aid of the faculty advisor. S/he shall establish and maintain monthly meetings with their officers. S/he shall act as the liaison between his/her class and the Student Body

President.

- B. **Vice-President:** The Vice-President of each class shall represent that class at all Round-Table meetings and report decisions made by the body to the rest of their respective classes. S/he shall act as the liaison between his/her class and the Student Body Executive Vice-President.
- C. **Secretary:** The Secretary shall maintain an activities calendar and be in charge supply lists and budgets, which may include any or all of the activities for the student body. S/he shall act as the liaison between his/her class and the Student Body Secretary.
- D. **Public Relations:** Public Relations shall inform the students, staff and community of their individual class activities. S/he will help the Student Body Public Relations Director in managing and maintaining the student government social media accounts. S/he shall act as the liaison between his/her class and the Student Body Public Relations Director.
- E. **Artist:** The Artist shall coordinate art direction of class activities. S/he shall act as the liaison between his/her class and the Student Body Art Director. S/he shall help coordinate and design posters and advertisements for upcoming school activities. The Artist shall delegate and assign poster responsibilities to other members of their class.

ARTICLE VI: CHEER ORGANIZATIONS

- SECTION 1 Refer to the cheerleading constitution that is maintained by the current cheer advisor.
- SECTION 2 The cheerleading constitution will be revised with any new cheer advisor that assumes the program, the Administration and the Student Body Advisor.

ARTICLE VII: SCHOOL PUBLICATIONS

- SECTION 1 Publications of Granger High School include, but are not limited to the following:
 - A. A school newspaper titled, "*The Tri-Color Times.*"
 - B. An official yearbook titled, "*The Shield.*"
 - C. A literary magazine titled, "*The Accolade.*"

ARTICLE VIII: CLUBS

- SECTION 1 There are two types of clubs allowed in Granite School District:
 - Curricular and Non- Curricular.
 - A. For information on chartering either type of club, please see the Granite School District Policy or the Assistant Principal in charge of clubs.

ARTICLE IX: FACULTY ADVISORS

- SECTION 1 Faculty advisors for each organization are appointed by the principal.

SECTION 2 The duties of the faculty advisors are to counsel and assist officers and to supervise activities of the organization that they advise.

SECTION 3 Meetings and activities of all organizations must be conducted regularly under the supervision of that organization's advisor(s).

ARTICLE X: ELIGIBILITY AND QUALIFICATIONS FOR OFFICE

SECTION 1 Prospective candidates for Student Body and Class Office must have a Cumulative 3.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) for the year, prior to election or appointment with no failing marks. They shall maintain a 3.0 Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) during their term of office, including the quarter in which they are elected or appointed, with no failing marks.

SECTION 2 Prospective candidates for Student Body and Class Office must have a minimum 3.0 Cumulative Citizenship Point Average (CPA) for the year, prior to election or appointment with no (0) marks. They shall maintain a 3.0 Cumulative Citizenship Point Average (CPA) during their term of office, including the quarter in which they are elected or appointed, with no zero (0) marks.

SECTION 3 As an official representative of Granger High School, each officer must uphold and model Lancer Pride Expectations to include outstanding social and professional behavior, responsible citizenship, and high moral conduct on all school social media and personal accounts; as well as, at school and away from school. Total abstinence from alcohol, tobacco and illegal drugs, and association with peers who engage in these activities is prohibited. Adherence to all school and district policies are required from the time of election or appointment until their term of office is completed.

SECTION 4 All students holding elected and appointed positions must be registered as full- time students at Granger High School for their term of office or appointment.

SECTION 5 Student Body Officers shall be members of the Senior Class.

SECTION 6 All class officers shall be members of the class they represent.

SECTION 7 Candidates can only run for 1 position in a single election (ie. President, Vice- President, Secretary.) Students who run for Student Body Officer but are not elected will be appointed to Class Officer positions until all are filled. Student Body Advisor to appoint.

ARTICLE XI: STUDENT GOVERNMENT (SG) ELECTIONS

- SECTION 1 Persons interested in running for office must file themselves as candidates by petition.
- A. The petition must be signed by at least twenty students.
 - B. Candidates automatically pledge their support to uphold the standards of Granger High School as set forth in this constitution, by signing their petition and filing as candidates for office.
 - C. All candidates must be eligible to run for office. Eligibility will be verified by the Student Body Advisor.
 - D. If there are two candidates for any office, they will be placed on the final election ballot automatically.
 - E. If only one candidate applies for any office, then it will be up to the Student Body Advisor to decide if the positions should be based on an elected pool or if the position should be appointed.
 - F. If there is only 1 candidate for each of the 3 elected positions, then the three candidates will need to complete something to prove competency for each of the three positions, and then they will be placed in to a pool. The candidates with the highest votes will be appointed to fill the open positions. Candidate must accept the position immediately or may forfeit this option.
 - G. If candidate declines the open position, then Student Body Advisor will appoint to fill the position.
 - H. If no candidate runs for an office, then Student Body Advisor will appoint to fill this position.

- SECTION 2 Student Body and Class Officer Election procedures.
- A. Elections for Student Body Officers, Senior, Junior and Sophomore Class Officers are to be held during the second semester. Freshman Class Officer Elections are to be held in the first term.
 - B. Student Body and Class Officer Elections shall be conducted under the direction of the Student Body Advisor.
 - C. The establishment and interpretation of the rules governing the election campaign shall rest finally with the Student Body Advisor and Administration.
 - D. Appointed offices will be determined by a committee composed of the Student Body Advisor, Administration, and teachers of particular areas of interest.
 - E. The Student Body and Class Officer Election winners will be determined by calculating the total from each of the following areas:
 - a. 5% of total will be lunch activities.
 - b. 10% of total will be election workshops.
 - c. 10% of total will be teacher recommendation.
 - d. 10% of total will be based on interview score.

- e. 15% of total will be student portfolio.
 - f. 50% of total will be the votes of the student body.
 - g. If there is a pool, the candidate with the highest number of votes will have first choice of available positions, second highest will have second choice and so on until all positions are filled.
- F. Newly elected and appointed Student Body and Class Officers shall take the following oath of office to be administered under the direction of the incumbent Student Body Officers at the Goodbye Assembly:**

I, _____, do solemnly swear that I will be loyal to Granger High School, that I will at all times represent her to the best of my ability. I will uphold and defend the Constitution of Granger High School. I will faithfully execute the responsibilities and duties of my office.

ARTICLE XII: PROBATION AND REMOVAL FROM OFFICE

SECTION 1 Grades

Failure by a Student Body Officer or Class Officer to maintain the qualifications of eligibility, including 2 or more “Fs” and/or two or more (0)s for elected or appointed office as set forth by this constitution shall be grounds for probation. Correction of these “Fs” or (0)s must be completed within three weeks from the end of the prior quarter. (Includes a grade change has been submitted or a copy of the contract between student officer and teacher.

SECTION 2 Conduct

Failure by a Student Body Officer or Class Officer to maintain, uphold, and model Lancer Pride Expectations to include outstanding social and professional behavior, responsible citizenship, and high moral conduct on all school social media and personal accounts, as set forth by this constitution, shall be grounds for probation and/or removal from office.

Section 3 Consequences: Any Student Body Officer or Class Officer failing to fulfill the duties outlined in this constitution may result in probation or removal from office.

- A. Disciplinary action will be the responsibility of the Student Body Advisor and Administration. Officers may be given a probationary period of three weeks to bring their performance to standard. Probation will last for 10 weeks from the start date.
- B. Only one probationary period per school year will be allowed, and then removal of office will be mandatory.
- C. Students on probation may not participate in the specific activities associated with their office and must relinquish all emblems of their office to the Student Body Advisor until the end of their probationary period or the end of the school year.

- D. Officers on probation may be asked to complete certain assignments and responsibilities by their Student Body Advisor as long as they do not participate in or benefit from the specific activity.

SECTION 4 Appeals. Any student who disagrees with or feels that his/her probation should be taken into further consideration may file an appeal with the Head Principal. Any student who feels that his/her probation should be taken into further consideration has three days after they have been notified of their probation to file intent to appeal. Intent to appeal shall be defined as a written letter from the student requesting an appeal of their probation. No more than seven days after the beginning of the probation, the student must provide the Student Body Advisor with a complete letter of appeal. The complete letter of appeal shall be defined as a written letter explaining their appeal, and the individual letters of support from an administrator, teacher, or a Class Officer Advisor. After a preliminary review by the Student Body Advisor to determine validity, the appeal will be presented to the Head Principal. Once the Head Principal reviews the intent to appeal, the administration has the power to grant or deny the appeal.

ARTICLE XIII: VACANCIES

SECTION 1 Vacancies in any office may be filled under the direction of the Student Body Advisor, with the approval of the Administration.

ARTICLE XIV: CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION

SECTION 1 All amendments to the constitution shall be presented through a coordinated effort of the Student Body Advisor and the Administration.

SECTION 2 Amendments to the Constitution will become effective once the following conditions have been met:

- A. Changes to the constitution may be proposed by the Student Body Officers, Student Body Advisor, Administration or the Advisor of any group covered in this constitution.
- B. Administrative changes to the constitution only need to be ratified by a 60% majority among student government.
- C. Any changes being made to the constitution where positions are being added or removed need to be ratified by the student body with at least 150 students voting on the proposed changes.
- D. Proposed amendments will be presented to the Granger High student body who may ratify changes with a simple majority vote.
- E. Any ratified changes to the constitution will be given and implemented by the Student Body Advisor.
- F. Any ratified changes to the constitution will be made to the official document by the

Student Body Advisor and distributed to the Administration as well as all Student Body and Class Officers.

ARTICLE XV: SCHOOL SPONSORED DANCES

SECTION 1 All Student Government Officers are not eligible for royalty positions.

SECTION 2 Any student may be elected dance royalty one time each school year.

SECTION 3 All juniors and seniors at Granger High School (except Student Government Officers) may be eligible for Prom or Homecoming Royalty.

SECTION 4 All disc jockeys (DJ's) will be contracted through the Student Body Advisor and certified by Granite School District.