

PLACERITA JUNIOR HIGH ASSOCIATED STUDENT BODY (ASB)

WHAT IS ASB?

At a junior high or high school, the associated student body is the collection of all students on a campus. The student leaders that are elected or appointed to represent all students are called the Associated Student Body officers, or ASB officers. Each year on every junior high and high school campus in the Hart District, those students who have a special commitment to making their school the best it can be come together as the ASB. According to California state law, the ASB is responsible for managing all the student money brought in by vending machines, the student store, and other fundraisers. However, the ASB is also responsible for a wide variety of student activities.

At any school, it's the responsibility of the ASB to make sure students of all backgrounds and interests have the opportunity to get involved and have fun at school—and that's our job at Placerita. Placerita ASB is responsible for putting on fundraisers, brunch and lunchtime activities, assemblies, student and staff recognition programs, community service, school dances, and much more. In addition, Placerita ASB is called on to help out with school-wide activities like Registration, Back-to-School Night and Open House. In addition to working hard in class and on all the activities, being an ASB member means being a student leader. A student leader is a role model for other students both on and off campus. A student leader is someone who obeys the law and school rules, is respectful to all students and adults on campus, and believes in doing the right thing, even if it isn't always the popular thing.

GOSH! THIS ALL SOUNDS OVERWHELMING! IS IT WORTH IT?

At Placerita, the ASB class meets just as often as your math, science, history, English, or PE class. Taking ASB means not having another elective. It's a big commitment! But, for everything you put in, you will also get a lot back. You will learn communication skills, project management, teamwork, how to make a budget, time management, and the value and joy of a job well done. Chances are, you'll also make a lot of great friends in the process.

If this sounds like a big job, you're right! It will be. The challenge is half the fun. Both you and your parents should be aware that ASB is a large commitment of both time and energy. We pride ourselves on being some of the hardest-working people on the Placerita campus. If you have any questions, feel free to e-mail Miss Stewart, the ASB Director, at istewart@hartdistrict.org.

Placerita ASB

ASB Leadership Class

Congratulations! As a prospective member of the Placerita ASB class, you have declared yourself a concerned student who is willing to give his/her time to help create the best experience possible for students at our school. We applaud your willingness to participate in student government. Good luck!

Qualities of an ASB Member:

We are looking for students who –

- ❖ Makes time for ASB and sees ASB as a priority.
- ❖ Has a positive attitude, is enthusiastic, and hardworking
- ❖ Someone who is helpful to others and is a team player

Requirements for holding/maintaining ASB Membership:

1. Candidates must have a minimum 2.5 GPA during the third quarter and fourth quarter progress reports, with no D's or F's (or grading equivalent).
2. Candidates must maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA with no D's or F's during the semester if the candidate is enrolled in ASB class.
3. Candidates must maintain high personal, academic, and behavioral standards both off and on campus. They should not have N's or U's in citizenship and should not have a discipline file.
4. Students who would like to be members of ASB should be available and willing to meet before school, after school, during lunch and nutrition when needed for ASB activities.
5. Prior to acceptance in the ASB Class, all candidates will have records checked to see if they meet these requirements.

Selection Process:

1. Candidate will submit a complete application on time. To be considered for the class, students must hand in the application directly to Miss Stewart in room 16, or place it in her teacher mailbox. **Complete applications are due no later than Friday, April 20, 2018.**
2. The ASB Advisor and a panel of other teachers will review applications and teacher evaluation forms and assign scores. Student records will be checked.
3. After reviewing applications, students will receive an email inviting them to the group interview, or receive an email letting them know they will not be asked to attend. ***a legible and valid email address on the application is very important***
4. A large **Group Interview will be held Wednesday April 25th for incoming 8th graders, and Wednesday May 2nd, 2018 for incoming 7th graders after school from 2:50 – 4:45.** All students must attend the interview session in order to be considered for a position in ASB. Any student who misses the interview will be disqualified. There will be no exceptions.
5. Students will be ranked highest to lowest, and the top students will be offered a position in the ASB class. If a student declines, the position will be offered to the next student in line.

If you have any questions, please contact Miss Stewart by e-mail jstewart@hartdistrict.org

PLACERITA JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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Application for Incoming Seventh Grade Students

Important: Please read all directions and requirements before signing this application. Your signature and a parent's signature indicate your understanding of all rules and expectations.

FIRST NAME _____ LAST NAME _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS _____ (parent's email address is fine)

STREET ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP CODE _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

SIXTH GRADE TEACHER'S NAME _____ SIXTH GRADE TEACHER EMAIL _____

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL _____

Please read each of the following statements and sign your initials after each statement:

1. All ASB students must uphold the high standards of Placerita ASB and represent the school with dignity, pride, and integrity. I understand that as a member of ASB I must uphold high personal, academic, and behavioral standards and that I will be looked upon as a leader and role model. _____
2. If I am selected as a member of ASB, I agree to attend all meetings and events concerning ASB that may be called before school, after school, at lunch or brunch. _____
3. I understand that sometimes the set-up or clean-up of activities on campus may occasionally cause me to miss all or part of another class, and that I am still responsible for all the work missed during that time. _____
4. I understand that I must maintain at least a 2.5 GPA throughout my term. I understand that failure to maintain a 2.5 GPA will disqualify me from ASB. _____
5. I understand that if I am appointed, I will be enrolled in the Student Government class as my elective for the upcoming school year. _____
6. I am aware of the application due date and group interview date. I know my application will be disqualified if I miss the deadline or do not attend the group interview. _____
7. I will include a copy of my current grades with this application. _____

I hereby agree to all of the above statements and will do my best to follow each of them.

Student signature _____ Date _____

The following signature indicates that your parent/guardian has read and understands the requirements for being a member of ASB, as well as the selection process steps. This signature also indicates the approval of your parent/guardian for you to apply to become a member of ASB.

Parent/guardian signature _____ Date _____

Please neatly handwrite the answers to the following prompts. If you needed, you may respond on a separate sheet of paper. Include your first and last name, then attach the sheet to this application.

1. Carefully read the information sheet provided with this application. Now, think of all the things that an ASB does on a junior high school campus. What specific skills and talents do you have that would help you get these jobs done?

2. If you had the opportunity to bring *any* three people to your ASB interview to speak on your behalf, whom would you choose and what would each person say about you?

3. In the first statement at the top of this page that you initialed, you agreed to represent Placerita Junior High School with “dignity, pride, and integrity.” What does this mean to you?

Please check the boxes to make sure you have included all of the following before mailing or dropping off your application.

- Candidate will submit a complete application *on time*. To be considered for the class, students can submit an electronic copy via email to [**jstewart@hartdistrict.org**](mailto:jstewart@hartdistrict.org), mail, or drop off their application to Placerita Junior High School. Complete applications are due no later than April 20th, 2018 by 3:30 pm.

- Students must submit a copy of their most current grades with application.

Mail or drop off your completed application to:
ASB Selection Process
c/o Miss Stewart
Placerita Junior High
25015 Newhall Ave.
Newhall, CA 91321

Applications must be received by Friday, April 20, 2018