STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Junior School Captain
RATIONAL

There are a variety of leadership opportunities for students in the Junior and Senior schools at Marcellin College, either at College, House, Academic or Sport level. We believe such roles enable students to gain valuable leadership experience, grow in confidence and become responsible citizens and positive role models for others within our College and wider community.

Student Representative Council

The SRC concerns itself with a variety of matters related to College life including service, social justice, curriculum matters, student wellbeing issues, College facilities and the organisation of a variety of social co-curricular activities.

In August of each year, each House votes for an SRC representative for Years 8 to 11. The process for the election of Year 7 SRC is outlined in the SRC Constitution. These students attend an annual Student Leadership Day chaired by members of the SRC Executive and guest speakers. Regular meetings are chaired by the students and House Coordinators and involve formal agenda and items for action prioritised by the students with support from Parents Association and staff.

Role of the SRC Representative

- To take ideas, issues and suggestions on behalf of other students to regular SRC meetings with House Coordinators for group discussion & action
- To work collaboratively as a student body to address identified House Charity issues and Social Justice themes to be explored and promoted throughout the College year
- To representing the student-body at various College and public events
- To welcome prospective students and their parents and other visitors to the College eg: Open Day, Information nights, etc
- To assist House Captains & Pastoral Leaders, with the organisation of House Events and co-curricular activities
- To assist the Transition Coordinator, Heads of School or Deputy Principal in various roles
- To wear the College uniform with pride and work cooperatively with all staff and peers

Junior School Executive

The Junior School Captain, Junior School Vice Captains and the nine Year 9 SRC (one from each House) form the Junior School Executive. The Junior School Executive meets with the Head of the Junior School throughout the year and when required liaise with the SRC Executive and College Captains.

Role of the College Junior School Captain

- To be a leader of students within the College, working closely with the Principal, Deputy Principal, Head of Junior School and other College leaders in building the College spirit, enabling the students to feel connected and involved in various whole College events and activities.
- To be a leader of students that is an exemplary role model within the College Junior School and wider community:
  - Demonstrating pride in appearance and loyalty to the College,
  - An ability to interact with a cross section of the student population,
  - An ability to work collaboratively with and support the staff of the College,
  - Have the strength of character to lead and to call other students to account, and
  - Have a strong commitment to academic studies and the co-curricular program.
- To be a leader who displays personal qualities of virtue, reliability, responsibility and sound communication skills.
- To lead and work collaboratively with the Deputy Principal, Director of Missions, Head of Junior School, House Coordinators and Transition Coordinator on:
  - Developing learning programs within the Junior School curriculum and Student Wellbeing Program
  - Parent Information Evenings and Open Day,
  - Transition for new students
  - Liturgies, Retreat & Seminar Days, Solidarity Week and Champagnat Day,
  - Identified Social Justice themes,
  - The annual College Mass and End of Year Mass,
  - Time and Space functions,
  - Inter-House Swimming and Athletics carnivals.
- To meet with the College Captains, on a needs basis, to allow learning through mentoring and to communicate of key initiatives from the SRC Executive meetings
- To chair Junior School Year 9 SRC meetings to work on Junior School curriculum and wellbeing initiatives.
Student name: _____________________________ House: _____________ Pastoral Group: ________

Student Representative Council Executive
(Please indicate your preference with a tick in the box provided)

JUNIOR SCHOOL CAPTAIN    ☐    JUNIOR SCHOOL VICE CAPTAIN    ☐

Student Leadership agreed conditions:

1. I will work in the spirit of the SRC ‘Pledge of Commitment’ by seeking to further develop a caring and supportive College environment based on Gospel values and the teachings of our Founder St. Marcellin Champagnat.
2. I will contribute to building College spirit and generating feelings of loyalty, pride, enthusiasm and security throughout the College.
3. I will work on relevant social justice issues and themes to be explored and promoted throughout the College year.
4. I will gather, promote and communicate the suggestions and ideas of the student body in a thorough, honest and mature manner.
5. I will uphold all College expectations, as outlined in the Student Planner. In particular, I will take pride in wearing my uniform correctly, and will conduct myself in a respectful and mature way at all times.

I, _________________________________ have read and understood the Student Leadership agreed conditions. As a potential elected leader on the Student Representative Council and Junior School Executive for 2016 I understand that I must set a positive example for my fellow students and that I must strive to ensure the services I offer as a member of the SRC are delivered with consultation, dedication and commitment.

Student’s signature: ___________________________________________ Date: _______________

All candidates are asked to complete the last page of this application by providing a supporting statement that presents examples on how they have demonstrated the key aspects of being a leader at Marcellin College. The statement should make reference to the following items:

- Outline your reasons for applying for this position(s)
- What personal qualities do you believe you can bring to this position
- Outline your previous experiences that would help you with a position of Leadership. These can be within the College or outside of the College
- Ability to interact with a cross section of the student population
- Demonstrate a team orientated approach to Leadership, with S.R.C and staff
- If you were successful, what do you expect your role to be within the College
Supporting Statement

Dear Mr. Murphy,

All applications are to be addressed to Mr. Mark Murphy, Principal. Applications need to be submitted to Ms. Sarah Lowrie by no later than 8.40am on Thursday 20 August.

Please note: Applicants will be required to attend an interview conducted by members of the Student Leadership committee.