



# APA COUNCIL APPLICATION 2025 - 2026

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<u>Student Last name:</u>	<u>Student First name:</u>	
<u>Your Grade in 25-26:</u> <b>10th</b> <b>11th</b> <b>12th</b>	<u>Major:</u>	<u>Minor:</u>
<u>Cell:</u>	<u>School ID #:</u>	
<u>School Email:</u>		
Were you ever on council? _____	How many points do you have? _____	

**EXECUTIVE BOARD:** If you would like to be on the exec board, **rank your top 3 choices below.** (1 being your top choice, 3 being your last choice. Please **DO NOT** use an 'x' to mark. If you do not get accepted onto the Exec board you will still be a general member).

**GENERAL MEMBER:** If you want to be a General Member, **only # "General Member" with a "1" and mark no other positions.** Existing council members will be considered for exec board positions first. Not everyone will be accepted to APA Council. Marking your interest in a position does not guarantee you that spot.

**EXEC BOARD:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ President
- \_\_\_\_\_ Vice President
- \_\_\_\_\_ Junior Vice President
- \_\_\_\_\_ Vice President of APA Nuggets
- \_\_\_\_\_ APA Director of Leadership
- \_\_\_\_\_ APA House of Representative

**GENERAL MEMBER:**

\_\_\_\_\_ General Member

# **SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS**

Please answer the following questions completely and thoughtfully.

1. Why do you want to be a part of APA Student Council?:

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2. What are specific examples of how you have shown leadership in the past year?:

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3. What is the #1 challenge facing our APA student community and how can we make it better?:

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4. Plan an APA Council Event: (This can be an existing or new event): \_\_\_\_\_

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5. List all APA Classes you plan to be in for the 25-26 school year: \_\_\_\_\_

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6. List all extracurricular activities you plan to participate in for the 25-26 school year (clubs, sports):

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# APA STUDENT COUNCIL COMMITMENT CONTRACT

## INITIAL BELOW

\_\_\_\_\_ I agree to conduct myself in a way that evokes respect from my teachers, other school personnel, peers, and the community both during and outside of school and must have and maintain a record of good citizenship throughout the entire term of office which includes attending and being on time to all school classes on a regular basis.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that while social media has a large impact on advertising and the success of events, I am solely responsible for what is posted to my personal social media pages.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand the importance of the IHOP Breakfast meeting on **Tuesday, June 17th** APA New Student BBQ Event on **Friday, August 15** as well as the Mock BBQ on **Wednesday August 13** and the important role that every APA Council member plays in the event that kicks off the start of every new APA student's experience.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that my contact information will be given out to other Council members.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that student leadership will require after school, night & weekend attendance & all council members must volunteer for additional events through the year or risk being removed from Council.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that APA Council uses Canvas. I know it is NOT an official grade and will NOT reflect on my GPA. Canvas is a way to keep track of your participation, commitment, and attendance.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that if I sign up for an event then I am committing to being in attendance to that event. If I fail to show up without proper notification then I may be removed from APA Council.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand I must do a minimum of 5 show promotions every month. If I fail to do any show promotions for consecutive months then I may be removed from APA Council.

\_\_\_\_\_ I understand that these are the expectations of Council and if I am unable to abide by the above agreements, I may be put on probationary status or removed from Council.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (**Student Name**) hereby accept the responsibility of becoming an official representative of the HB The Academy for the Performing Arts as well as the APA Student Council and will act accordingly.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, (**Parent/Guardian Name**) have read and understand the above agreements. I also understand that APA Student Council **REQUIRES** after school, evening and weekend attendance and gives approval for my son/daughter to apply for APA Student Council.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# APA COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION FORM

**STUDENTS:** Fill out your name, grade & major/minor, then give this page to a teacher.

**TEACHERS:** Please fill out & email directly to April Sharp: [Asharp@hbuhdsd.edu](mailto:Asharp@hbuhdsd.edu) by April 9th. **Teachers, please do not give this recommendation back to the student. These are confidential.** This student is applying for a position on APA Student Council for the 25-26 school year. We would like you to make careful selections regarding each area, as these characteristics are essential to the success of APA Council.

<b>Student Last Name:</b>	<b>Student First Name:</b>	
<b>Student Grade in 24-25 (circle one):</b> 10th    11th    12th	<b>Major:</b>	<b>Minor:</b>

Please rate the applicant's potential in the above chosen field by placing a check in the appropriate box.

<b>Category</b>	Unacceptable		Low		Average		Outstanding		Top 5%	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<b>Potential</b>										
<b>Commitment</b>										
<b>Drive/Ambition</b>										
<b>Self-Discipline</b>										
<b>Professionalism</b>										
<b>Socialization</b>										

**Is this student respected by his/her peers?** (circle one)    YES    NO

**Would you recommend this student to be a member of APA Council?** (circle one)    YES    NO

**Does this candidate have any other specific skills or characteristics that you think would benefit APA Student Council? Any additional comments?** \_\_\_\_\_

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X \_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Teacher Name

X \_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher Signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# INTRODUCTION

Please keep this page for your records.

Thank you for your interest in APA Student Council! Being on APA Council is an important job that requires a lot of time, effort, dedication and responsibility. It is also very rewarding, gives you great memories, opportunities to have fun, and gets you involved in the Academy for the Performing Arts and the decisions that affect every student. Please read this packet carefully. Failure to comply with the rules and regulations will result in disqualification. If you have any questions, please see Susan West in the APA Office. Be sure you know the deadlines and meet all of them!

Our ultimate goal is to create a council that accurately represents The Academy for the Performing Arts student body they will serve. If you are appointed to a position on the student council, please understand that it will require a significant commitment. This time commitment includes time during the summer, after school, and on weekends.

Though appointed students are responsible for planning events and being good role models, this group is designed to develop personal leadership skills and an understanding of group dynamics. It seeks to foster in students a better understanding of themselves and their capacity for leadership; to create an understanding of the importance of leadership in a democratic society; and prepare students to assume leadership roles in APA and community.

In addition the student council is responsible for supporting all departments such as attending and promoting shows and fundraisers. The council also plans many APA wide activities throughout the year including: Walk for the Arts, Valentines Day Dance, Academy Awards, and much more.

As appointed student body leaders, each member of the Student Council is to set an appropriate example for others at all times (both in and out of the Academy). You will be required to promote APA spirit and pride, attend all Student Council activities, cooperate with others, be positive, and be willing to go the extra mile. Students will be placed on probation for the following reasons: unweighted, cumulative grade point average below 2.5, violation of the district participation agreement, or inappropriate use of social media.

Sincerely,  
Susan West,  
APA Student Council Advisor



# REQUIRED EVENTS TO ATTEND AND PLAN

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## Complete a minimum of 5 APA promotions every month.

- Posting on Social Media. Submit a picture of the post to canvas the day you post.
- Hanging up posters in classrooms or the community. Submit screenshot of post to canvas.
- Attend at least 1 performance of each main stage show and as many Second Stage Shows as possible that are outside of your major. Submit ticket stubs to canvas.

## Complete APA Community Service Hours

- Including but not limited to Second Harvest Food Bank, Beach Cleanups, & Parent meetings.

## Have an APA Council Tshirt and/or Cardigan

## Attend the Following:

- APA Council General Meetings**
  - A FINAL list of all dates will be available soon.
- APA Council Breakfast at IHOP Beach BLVD**
  - June 17, 2025 @ 10:30am
- New APA Student Call Bank Day 1**
  - Date TBD (To Be Determined)
- New APA Student Call Bank Day 2 and Fruit Group Picks**
  - Date TBD
- Second Harvest Food Bank**
  - Date TBD
- Mock New Student Barbeque**
  - August 13, 2025 @ 1pm
- New Student Barbeque**
  - August 15, 2025 @ 10:30am (Setup), 1pm (BBQ)
- Back to School Parent Meeting**
  - Date TBD
- Orientation (First 2 days of school)**
  - Date TBD
  - Date TBD
- APA Walk for the Arts**
  - October 3, 2025 3pm
- Seal Beach Christmas Parade**
  - December 5, 2025
- Valentines Day Event**
  - Date TBD
- Academy Awards**
  - June 6, 2026 4pm



# POSITIONS INFORMATION

## Note to all APA Council Members:

- Failure to attend meetings or events will result in being dropped from the student council. You must always be responsible & only sign up for events you are positive you can attend.
- Every Exec Board & General Member must submit a min of 5 APA Promos per month to stay on Council.
- Consistently signing up & not showing up for events without first telling Susan can result in being dropped from APA council.
- Everyone must be able to multitask, stay positive, be creative, and be a dedicated worker and leader. We rely on you to have a great council!

## President (Senior): (Board of Directors)

- As APA Council president it is your duty to oversee APA council as well as lead the executive board and the Board of Directors. You are the face of APA Student Council.
- Must be willing to devote many hours to APA Student Council and the Academy as a whole.
- Help run/hold all board all council meetings with professionalism & efficiency with the VP's.
- Create and edit the Agendas for all meetings.

## Vice President (Senior): (Board of Directors)

- As APA Council vice president it is also your duty to oversee APA council and help the President's every step of the way.
- Help run/hold all Board of Directors and all council meetings with professionalism and efficiency along with the Presidents.

## Junior Vice President (Junior): (Board of Directors)

- Oversee the committees during Council organized events and be a representative for the Junior and underclassmen.
- Must work with the Vice President to ensure that all classes are being represented.
- Will attend the Board of Directors meetings in addition to the general Meetings.

## Vice President of APA Nugget (Senior or Junior): (Board of Directors)

- In charge of outreach to all APA students to let them know about the APA Nugget Program.
- In charge of coordinating ALL APA Nugget events.

## Director of Leadership (Senior, Junior or Sophomore): (Executive Board)

- Required to know what is going on in your department such as all main stage & second stage shows.
- Required to address council through Remind 101 of all activities going on in that department, as well as efficiently communicate with teachers and students to ensure no events are missed.
- You will also work with your department rep and attend all the parent guild meetings and communicate with your guild presidents & teachers.

## House of Representatives Member (Senior, Junior or Sophomore): (Executive Board)

As a House of Representative Member (Department Rep):

- This is a student voted position. If you are not selected by your peers to be a representative, you will still be a general APA Council Member.
- Required to know what is going on in your department such as all main stage & second stage shows.
- Report to your Director of Leadership to send out and coordinate all department remind 101s
- You will also work with your director of leadership and attend all the parent guild meetings and communicate with your guild presidents & teachers.

## General Member (Senior, Junior or Sophomore):

- Must be able to multitask, stay positive, be creative, and be a dedicated worker and leader.
- Attend all or most APA Council meetings and events you signed up for.
- You must complete 5 minimum show promos a month

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## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- This 'APA Student Council Application' (**pages 1- 5**) completely filled out and turned in to the APA office OR emailed to [asharp@hbuhsd.edu](mailto:asharp@hbuhsd.edu) by **April 15th, 2025**.
- Give **page 5** (Letter of Recommendation form) to a teacher and have **them** return to the APA office or emailed to [asharp@hbuhsd.edu](mailto:asharp@hbuhsd.edu)
- Keep **pages 2-10** for your records.

## WHAT'S NEXT?

- Sign up for an Interview time **when you submit your Application.** [hbapa.online/council-interviews](https://hbapa.online/council-interviews)
- Confirm your Letter of Recommendation has been received by your teacher in the APA Office by April 15th.
- Wait for Positions to be posted in June.
- Add the APA Council Remind 101