

2021-2022 Candidate School Questionnaire

Candidate School **Thales Academy Apex HS**
Office **Secretary School**
Student Designee: Emma Jennings Advisor: Brittni Evans

1. How does your school plan to fulfill the responsibilities of this position?

We plan to fulfill the responsibilities of Secretary School through a system of representation, delegation, and communication. Our Student Designee Emma Jennings and our primary council advisor Brittni Evans will attend Executive Board meetings and ensure that meeting minutes are recorded and all proper documentation is filed for each meeting. Larger projects, such as the listed “ad hoc duties delegated by the Executive Board or Executive Director” described by the Invitation to Run, will be communicated to the rest of Student Council by the Student Designee and Advisor. From there, we will likely form a committee dedicated to assisting the Student Designee in completing NCASC projects.

2. What are your Student Council’s qualifications for this position?

Thales Academy’s Student Council has experience with newsletters and communication which would be greatly beneficial in this position to NSASC. Each morning, Thales Academy Student Council announces important events and information to the student body over the intercom. A few years ago, we decided to expand morning announcements by creating Titan Talk, our school’s weekly recorded announcements that consist of entertaining, 5-10 minute videos containing relevant information about our school and student activities. Additionally, our newly-established videography club can be a great asset to developing engaging announcements and digital newsletters. Furthermore, our Student Council works in committees to be as orderly as possible. When faced with a task, we divide and conquer the work in a coordinated and efficient manner. Because of this, we are well-suited for the organizational skills required for the Secretary School position.

3. Why did your Student Council decide to be a candidate for this position?

Despite being smaller than most North Carolinian public highschools, Thales Academy’s highschool student council has successfully established several popular traditions within the school and a structured organization in the council over the past five years. This includes our annual Art Walks, Fall Carnivals, and dances as well as service projects such as Adopt-A-Spot with the Town of Cary and a one-year partnership with Operation Prom Princess. We can contribute much to the Executive Board of NCASC. Being a newer Student Council, we can also bring a fresh perspective to the NCASC Executive Board as well as further expanding and picking up ideas from other member schools of NCASC.

4. What are your Student Council’s goals as a NCASC state or district officer school?

Our main goal as a NCASC state officer school is to, first and foremost, fulfill our duties to the best of our ability. We understand that the Secretary School is responsible for being the organizational “glue” responsible for communication and documentation and intend to do this task well. Secondly, we hope to bring new ideas and a fresh perspective to the Executive Board. At Thales Academy, we have a list of goals called the Top 15 Outcomes. Three outcomes that we believe relate to the aforementioned NCASC goals are being a Cooperative & Contributive Team Member, which emphasizes the importance of teamwork, a Strong Work Ethic, highlighting how staying focused makes an enormous difference, and Communication Skills because, without good communication, things never work out well. We understand the significance of these skills, and it is our goal to ensure we model and promote them within NCASC.