



The Student Council in a Nutshell

What is it?

The Student Council is the school body responsible for representing students in school affairs.

How is it organised?

In the council there are 15 students, divided into 4 committees and a group of representatives.

- **Representatives**
 - **President**, responsible for coordinating the Student Council.
 - **Vice-President**, a deputy and assistant to the president.
 - **Secretary**, responsible for organising and keeping track of meetings.
- **Committees**
 - **Academic Events**, organising and overseeing academic events and competitions at the school.
 - **Recreational Events**, organising and overseeing recreational events and competitions at the school.
 - **Outreach**, communicating with current and prospective students.
 - **Public Relations**, informing students of news.

What does it do?

The Student Council acts on the behalf of the whole student community at the school, acting as a liaison between the various school bodies and the students. The council also organises and assists in various school events ranging from sport days to graduation ceremonies. It also is meant to act as a forum for inter-student discussions.

The September Selections and June Elections

- The September Selections are meant to serve as the entryway for students into the Student Council, providing that there are vacancies within the Student Council. These selections are held in the first 2 weeks of the school year. Candidates file a letter of candidacy that is reviewed by the Student Council representatives. For all the requirements see the official bylaws; chapter III, section II.
- Students may also candidate for the representative positions in the June elections. These positions are determined by a general election in which all high school and 8th grade students may vote in. The elections are held in the last month of the school year. To run for the position of president/vice-president you must already be a part of the Student Council. However, anyone may run for the position of secretary. Candidates are also allowed to campaign via posters, social media or dedicated events.

Meetings

The Student Council also participates in several meetings.

- At least once a month the Student Council convenes to hold a General Meeting.
- Special meetings can be held in special circumstances if called by the representatives.
- The Outreach Committee also holds monthly meetings with class presidents and vice-presidents. These meetings are meant to serve as the cornerstone of cooperation and communication between the Student Council and the wider student body.

Proposals

The council is also responsible for devising proposals. These are ideas and recommendations that are meant to improve the school community and student life. If a proposal is adopted and ratified by the council by a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority vote, the council may bring forward the proposal to the ISOP management board for consideration.

The full Student Council Bylaws

The full Student Council Bylaws may be found on www.isop.pl along with the September Selection Criteria. These bylaws contain all information regarding the ISOP High School Student Council