



ASB Leadership, Link Crew and PLUS Leadership Information

What is ASB Leadership?

Before you apply for the leadership class ask yourself some questions:

- Do you love Heritage and want to make it a better, more fun and exciting school?
- Do you enjoy being involved in activities at school?
- Do you love the rallies?
- Do you like to build floats and be involved in spirit days?
- Do you want to learn how to become a better more effective leader?
- Are you willing to check in with Mrs. Banchieri every day, not just on leadership days?
- Are you willing to put in countless extra hours to make sure events and Activities run smoothly and are successful?
- Do you have great ideas and want to share them to improve our school spirit and climate?

Leadership is not about what you can get out of school, it is about what you can give back to YOUR school to make it the very best it can be. The leadership class is a course that is designed to help you become an effective leader on the Heritage campus. The students in the leadership class become the voices of the school, make important decisions about events, how to spend ASB money and are asked to help in many different arenas. Beware that the leadership program is changing and the requirements are different than in the past. If you are looking to pad your college applications, this is NOT the place for you. If you are willing to work hard, are dedicated, good at follow through and want to make Heritage a better place... then continue on and complete the application.

To be considered for Student Activities (leadership):

- You must meet the minimum GPA of 2.5 as directed by the ASB Constitution.
- You cannot have more than one "F" or any suspendable behavior over the previous school year.
- You may not have excessive truancies, or take part in illegal activities.
- You must have no discipline problems.
- You must be on line to graduate.
- You must be willing to participate in ALL Leadership events with no exceptions!
- You must be able to attend mandatory summer events, including possible HHS Walk-Through hours in July and the leadership Kick-Off Retreat (7/21 or 22nd)
- You must be willing to attend Monday Leadership meetings at 7:30 am (possibly through zoom) and work outside of class when needed.
- You must have a positive recommendation from ALL your current teachers.

What is Link Crew?

Link Crew is a high school transition program that welcomes freshmen and makes them feel comfortable throughout the first year of their high school experience. Built on the belief that students can help students succeed, Boomerang Project's proven high school transition program trains mentors from your junior and senior classes to be Link Crew Leaders. As positive role models, Link Crew Leaders are mentors and student leaders who guide the freshmen to discover what it takes to be successful during the transition to high school and help facilitate freshman success.

More and more studies show that if students have a positive experience their first year in high school, their chance for success increases dramatically. Link Crew provides the structure for freshmen to receive support and guidance from juniors and seniors who have been through the challenges that high school poses, and understand that the transition to a larger school can sometimes be overwhelming.

Is Link Crew right for you?

Before you apply for the Link Crew program:

- Can you commit to the MANDATORY May Day training and Summer trainings? May day is 5/19/17 from 3:30-6:30 pm and the summer trainings are 7/26/16 from 3:00-7:00 pm and 7/28 1:00-5:00 pm.
- Are you willing to sign up for the link crew class? If not, are you willing to commit to attending 2 mandatory meetings per month?
- Do you have great communication skills?
- Are you able to speak in front of a group of people?
- Do you want to help the freshmen transition to Heritage smooth and fun?
- Are you willing to support all the 9th graders, not just your favorites?

Link Crew is not about what you can get, but about what you can GIVE to the incoming Freshmen class at Heritage. You probably remember your first day at Heritage, and it can be a scary time, but with Link Crew's help, it can also be, fun, exciting and a great time!

To be considered for Link Crew

- You must meet the minimum GPA of 2.0
- You cannot have more than one "F" or any suspendable behavior over the previous school year.
- You may not have excessive truancies, or take part in illegal activities.
- You must have no discipline problems.
- You must be on line to graduate.
- You must be willing to participate in ALL Link Crew events with no exceptions!
- **You must be able to attend mandatory summer events, especially HHS Walk-Through for tours in July and to the MANDATORY May Day training and Summer trainings? May day is 5/19/17 from 3:30-6:30 pm and the summer trainings are 7/26/16 from 3:00-7:00 pm and 7/28 1:00-5:00 pm.**
- **You must be willing to support the freshmen all year, not just during orientation.**

What is PLUS leadership?

PLUS is a youth facilitated class that utilizes social leadership qualities to connect all students on a campus. A diverse cross section of student leaders facilitate a series of activities that create communication, connections, care and community amongst a student body. Utilizing best practice strategies, the PLUS Team student leaders serve as the liaison between the student body and the adults on a campus. PLUS is a student centered mentoring class, focusing on connecting the student body to the campus to strengthen the climate and culture of the school. This class engages, develops and trains students to be leaders and mentors through the implementation of monthly leader-led forums. The class uses survey data from students and solicits input from a cross section of the campus to come up with solutions to issues and problems on campus.

Is PLUS right for you?

- Do you want to help change the culture at HHS to be more positive and inclusive?
- Do you want to help solve social issues at HHS by working with peers and creating action plans?
- Do you want to work peer to peer and learn how to be a better mentor and leader?

To be considered for PLUS

- You must meet the minimum GPA of 2.0 (exceptions can be made in some circumstances)
- You cannot have more than one "F" or any suspendable behavior over the previous school year.
- You may not have excessive truancies, or take part in illegal activities.
- You must have few discipline problems.
- You must be on line to graduate.
- You must be willing to participate in PLUS events with no exceptions!
- **All training for this class happens during the PLUS period, but some outside of class activities may be planned, including lunchtime activities. Participation would be mandatory for these activities.**