



## **Rochester PTSA Student Co-Chair Application**

The Rochester PTSA is looking to provide student leadership opportunities for the 2018-19 school year. We are putting the S (STUDENTS) back in PTSA.

PTSA would like to add a student leadership component to select RHS committees.

Students would work fairly independently with general oversight from the volunteer committee chair. The chair would make sure the basic needs of the committee are being met. The student co-chairs (up to 2 per committee) could establish their own related initiatives, recruit student members to assist, propose service projects, and plan school-based or community-based programs that support their committee with budgetary and infrastructure support from their committee and RHS PTSA.

Projects will be student-led and student-driven. These are true student leadership positions for which Key Club and National Honor Society service hours can be granted. See examples below; but, students can take these roles in many directions!

Needed:

- Green Schools Committee  
Ideas: make RHS more green, start an environmentally friendly awareness campaign, hold a green expo at lunch, school clean-up days, etc
- Health and Wellness Committee  
Ideas: nutrition and fitness challenges, anxiety awareness and suicide prevention efforts, host screenings, etc.
- Legislative Committee  
Ideas: Advocate for public education, meet with legislators, learn about hot topics, organize school Veterans Day celebration, etc.
- Welcome Ambassador: help with student tours and answer questions to prospective families
- Staff Appreciation  
Ideas: creative promotions during teacher appreciation week, favorite teacher contests, etc.
- STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math)  
Ideas: promote STEAM career fair, host speakers, programs and contests, etc.
- Diversity and Inclusion - \*New committee  
Ideas: plan initiatives and programming to promote cultural awareness within the RHS community
- Battle of the Books - \* New committee  
Ideas: Promote BOB program by making posters, bookmarks, and flyers, possibly start a student book club

### **Your Application**

Please provide succinct written answers to the following questions. Total application should be no more than 1page long.

1. Why do you think it's important for students to take leadership roles in school improvements and the PTSA?
2. What committee(s) are you most interested in and why?
3. Please provide at least one idea for a student-led project you might propose.

Along with answers to these questions, applicants should provide: name, grade, and email address to Vice President Martina Alcock (martinaalcock@gmail.com) by June 30th. Also, please indicate if you are a current student co-chair. Students will be notified of selections by August 1st

Leadership teams will be in place by September to start the 2018-19 school year.

**\*\*Current student leaders wishing to continue must apply**