Dear Student Council Advisor:

It is now time to select the junior in your Student Council to apply for the position of Student Advisor to the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education. Please remember, the Student Advisor represents LASC and all of the students in our state.

When selecting your applicant, please consider and comply with the following:

- ➔ Student must have been actively involved in your council for at least two years.
- ➔ Student must be active in two other activities in addition to Student Council.
- ➔ Student must be a junior at the time of application.
- ➔ Student must have attended LASC Senior High Summer Workshop prior to submitting this application.
- ➔ Student must have at least a 3.0 GPA.
- ➔ Student must be able to speak in front of an audience and have good communication skills.
- ➔ Student and school must be registered for the LASC State Convention.
- ➔ Student must be registered at a Louisiana public school.
- ➔ The entire signed application must be mailed OR emailed to SBESE Coordinator, Paulette Campbell, on or before the November 5th deadline.
- ➔ The application packet must be completed exactly as described on the enclosed forms.
- ➔ If mailed, the envelope containing the packet must be **postmarked on or before November 5, 2026.**

THE DEADLINE AND ALL RULES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the following:

e-mail: paulette_campbell@camsch.org
337-762-3305/337-802-2587

Note the deadline: November 5, 2026.

We look forward to receiving your student's application and seeing you at convention.

Paulette Campbell
LASC SBESE Coordinator
Louisiana Association of Student Councils

ADDRESS: 1250 School Street, Hackberry, LA 70645

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

EVERY CANDIDATE FOR THE POSITION OF STUDENT ADVISOR TO THE STATE BOARD OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION MUST HAVE THE FOLLOWING QUALIFICATIONS:

- Must have been an active member in his or her school's Student Council for at least two years
- Must be in the 11th grade at the time of application
- Must have an unweighted minimum 3.0 GPA
- Must be active in 2 activities in addition to Student Council
- Must be of the highest moral and ethical character
- Must be a registered delegate at the LASC State Convention in January
- Must have previously attended LASC Senior High Summer Workshop

- **Must be articulate and have the ability to work effectively with adults. They must also be well-versed and very informed about all aspects of the State BESE Board before the interview session during the LASC State Convention. The representative must also be able to speak in front of large audiences.**

THE SELECTION PROCEDURE WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

- Each applicant must submit his/her application, as described below, to SBESE Coordinator, Paulette Campbell by either mail (1250 School Street, Hackberry 70645) or email (paulette_campbell@camsch.org) on or before the deadline date stated in the cover letter.

- There can be only one applicant per PUBLIC school.

- The applicants will be invited to appear for an interview before a final selection committee, which will convene at 10:30 am, on the morning of Saturday, January 16th at the convention at Captain Shreve High School.

- The newly elected student representative and the first alternate will be announced during a General Session at the LASC State Convention.

- Applicants should appear in professional clothing for the interview, presentation on stage Sunday afternoon, and the winner should be in professional clothing for the Monday morning general session.

- The winner should be prepared to attend a state board meeting immediately after the general session on Monday of the convention. It will also be mandatory for the winner to attend the LASC Executive Board Meeting in February 2027 in Thibodaux, LA, and the Fall Board Meeting at Archbishop Rummel in August 2027. All meals and student housing for the Executive Board meetings will be provided by LASC.

THE APPLICATION *MUST* CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING:

1. Completed application
2. Recent photograph
3. 275-300 word essay, prepared by the applicant, on the following topic:
   "What suggestions would you make to improve education in our state of Louisiana?"
4. This essay must be typed, using 12-point *Times New Roman* font, and double-spaced.
5. One-page letter of recommendation from the applicant's advisor or principal
6. One-page letter of recommendation from an individual outside the applicant's school
7. Leadership Positions/Honors form
   Entries are limited to this form only
   Please list club memberships where an office was held FIRST, then those with no offices if space allows.
8. Permission Slip and Reimbursement Agreement

✔ **ALL WORDING IN THE PACKETS MUST BE CLEARLY WRITTEN, PRINTED, OR TYPED**

✔ **THE PACKET MUST BE IN THE ORDER LISTED ABOVE.**

✔ **DO NOT INCLUDE A COVER PAGE**

THE APPLICATION PACKET AND THE INTERVIEW WILL BE SCORED AS FOLLOWS:

ESSAY (coverage of topic, strength of convictions, clarity and conciseness; grammar, neatness; direction applicant will follow when serving)	20 points
SCHOOL RECOMMENDATION	10 points
OUTSIDE RECOMMENDATION	10 points
LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES	15 points
GPA (consideration given to courses taken)	5 points
INTERVIEW	40 points

APPLICATION (Due November 5, 2026)

PLEASE TYPE THE FOLLOWING:

FIRST NAME MIDDLE NAME LAST NAME

CURRENT GRADE POINT AVERAGE_____

HOME ADDRESS_____
NUMBER AND STREET

_____
CITY ZIP

HOME PHONE (_____)_____**CELL PHONE(_____)**_____

E-MAIL ADDRESS_____

SCHOOL_____

SCHOOL ADDRESS_____

CITY_____

ADVISOR'S NAME_____

ADVISOR'S E-MAIL ADDRESS_____

PARENTS'/GUARDIAN NAMES_____

I will attend the 2027 Summer Leadership Workshop at Northwestern State University in June 2027 _____(initial) MANDATORY

I will attend the 2027 Executive Board Meeting in Thibodaux, LA in February 2027 _____ (initial) MANDATORY

I will attend the 2027 Executive Board Meeting at Archbishop Rummel in August 2027 _____(initial) MANDATORY

I will attend the 2028 LASC Convention at Archbishop Rummel on January 15-17, 2028 _____ (initial) MANDATORY

I certify that all of the information in this application is correct. I certify that all of the work submitted by me during this competition is indeed mine.

Applicant Signature:_____ **DATE**_____

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS AND HONORS

PLEASE TYPE or WRITE CLEARLY

LIST ALL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS AND HONORS WHICH YOU HAVE RECEIVED DURING GRADES 9-11. LEADERSHIP POSITIONS MAY BE SCHOOL- OR COMMUNITY-RELATED. LIMIT YOUR RESPONSES TO THIS SPACE.

CLUB/ACTIVITY	OFFICE HELD	IN WHAT GRADE

HONORS RECEIVED	GRADE

PERMISSION SLIP
AND
REMIBURSEMENT AGREEMENT

We, the undersigned, grant permission for _____, a student at _____High School, to serve as the Student Advisor to the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education and to attend meetings in Baton Rouge as regularly scheduled or called throughout the calendar year.

We agree and acknowledge that costs incurred directly by the Student Advisor in service to SBESE may be reimbursed by the Louisiana Treasury and that other costs for travel and/or expenses to chaperone the Student Advisor, as may be desired by parents or required by school policy, must be borne by us.

We agree that travel to and from meetings will be by the most economical means from the Student Advisor's home or school, that meals will be reimbursed at no more than $7.00 per meal, and that hotel accommodations will be obtained at commercial rates when available, when absolutely necessary.

We agree that there is no obligation or liability by the Louisiana Association of Student Councils and/or the Louisiana Board of Elementary and Secondary Education or their officers and/or representatives for death or injury from accidents or other causes which may result with the above named student's services to BESE and LASC.

Students must be chaperoned by an adult to the BESE meetings. Students may not drive themselves to the BESE Board meetings or to the LASC Executive Board Meetings.

SIGNED:_____ DATE:_____
PARENT or GUARDIAN

SIGNED:_____ DATE:_____
PRINCIPAL