

STUDENTS STANDING STRONG
Officer and Representative Application – Fall Term

Term: July 1, 2011 - June 1, 2012

Application deadline: POSTMARKED May 31, 2011

Current officers will review and select new officers and representatives.
 Late applications will only be accepted if positions are still available

Student Information	
NAME _____ Gender (circle) M F	
Grade for 2011/2012 School Year: 9 10 11 12 School (circle): CHHS GHS	
Address _____ City _____	
Cell Phone #: _____ Home Phone #: _____	
Can We Text You?: _____ Birthday _____	
E-Mail (please print clearly) _____	
Current Position (if any) _____	
<u>Position Applying For:</u>	NOTE: Incoming Juniors and Seniors may be reps,
1 st Choice _____	Bible study leaders or officers (only seniors may
2 nd Choice _____	be president). Incoming Freshmen and Sophomores
3 rd Choice _____	may only apply to be reps or Bible study leaders.
*** All leaders will be required to attend monthly planning meetings each month unless excused ***	
Dates and Time to be determined. Officers 1 ½ hours; reps 1 hour monthly during the school year.	
** There will be a Parent & Student Leadership Expectation Meeting at the end of August **	

Parent Information	
Mother's Information	Father's Information
Name _____	Name _____
Address _____	Address _____
City _____	City _____
Home Phone _____	Home Phone _____
Cell Phone _____	Cell Phone _____
Email _____	Email _____
What is the best way to reach you? _____	What is the best way to reach you? _____

APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MAIL

Please Return: 1--this *Information* page with a picture of yourself attached
 2--the *Application Questions* page (with your answers written in or attached)
 3-- the signed *Declarations* page
postmarked by 5/31/2011 and mailed to:

Students Standing Strong
P.O. Box 312
Colleyville, Texas 76034



Application Questions

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS. PLEASE USE SPACE ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE APPLICATION AND/OR ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGE. We ask that your responses be thoughtful.

1. Most Americans say, "I am a Christian," but according to the Bible what must you do to have a genuine relationship with Christ?
2. Explain your salvation experience.
3. Based on your talents and abilities, why do you believe you are qualified to serve in the position you desire?
4. How have you participated with S³ in the past?
5. How can Students Standing Strong better serve the student body?
6. What church do you attend? Describe your involvement.
7. What other activities are you committed to? (extra-curricular, sports, work, etc.)



Leadership Responsibilities, Duties & Expectations

ALL OFFICER AND REPRESENTATIVE POSITIONS:

Your responsibility is to strive with all your heart to represent the S³ Mission Statement and Statement of Belief whether you are on or off campus. You are to seek the Lord's help in order to stand strong and represent Christ at all times. You are to spend time in prayer and reading the word as well as seek prayer support and wise counsel from other committed Christians and be faithful in church attendance in order to help you grow spiritually. You are to participate in elementary and middle school events as needed. Adjust your study time, other extra-curricular activities and work schedule, around scheduled S³ meetings and events including every officer meeting, monthly planning meeting and scheduled Sunday night prayer-time before each chapter meeting. You are also highly encouraged to attend weekly S³ student-led Bible study at your school.

CO-PRESIDENTS (senior girl *and* guy):

An organization is as strong as its leader. Jesus Christ is the head of Students Standing Strong and on-campus, under His leadership, you are the authority of the organization. However, according to Scripture, no member of the body of Christ is more important than the other members of the body (Read I Cor. 12). Therefore: you are to lead the organization while recognizing the others on your leadership team have different roles but are of equal importance.

Expectations:

- Attend the Parent & Student Leadership Expectation Meeting in August
- Attend monthly S³ Planning Meetings (officers meet $\frac{1}{2}$ hour before the representatives)
- Support the HS Large Chapter Meetings (3-4 times per year):
 - Make attendance at all chapter meetings a priority and encourage classmates to attend
 - Help before and after the chapter meeting with set-up, clean up, registration, etc.
 - Attend the prayer meeting the Sunday before the HS chapter meeting
- Be available to help with the Fifth Grade Big Send-Offs and periodic S³ middle school events.
- Highly Encouraged to attend Weekly On-Campus Bible Study when able
- Assist officers as the needs arise throughout the year

Duties:

- Maintain communication with the faculty monitor, including keeping them informed of dates, times and locations of meetings
- Have all fliers to be distributed on campus approved by campus administration in a timely manner
- Secure and confirm on-campus location for all chapter activities through campus administration
- Help plan and conduct all details for chapter meetings, including delegating job responsibilities to other officers and grade level representatives
- Take and maintain minutes of all organizational meetings
- Know where the high school organization stands on funds

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY COORDINATOR(S) (9th-12th):

This position may be shared by multiple people at each school which allows for other seasonal school commitments

- Responsible for leading and/or finding a substitute leader for the weekly, on campus, Tuesday 7:40 am S³ Bible study
- Responsible for ensuring the weekly morning announcements include S³ Bible Study
- Make sure leaders meet with Ministry Coach to review lesson prior to teaching

OFFICERS (juniors and seniors only):

As Students Standing Strong is a Student-Led organization, several officers are needed to directly assist the presidents in all aspects of the running the organization. Officer candidates should be willing to help with the duties listed below as directed by the presidents, as well as with any other tasks that are identified at monthly planning meetings, and should actively volunteer for those duties that best fit their talents and interests.

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Assist Presidents with these Duties:

- Assist the presidents in all duties in their absence or in case of resignation, as well as performing duties delegated by the presidents
- Responsible for writing thank you notes when needed
- Inform the student body of all chapter meetings utilizing posters, banners, announcements, distribution of fliers to all S³ reps and officers
- Upon approval, utilize Facebook to post club information
- Bring enough sign-in sheets and pens to all chapter meetings and collect and maintain them
- Organize and execute one fund raiser during your term
- Organize and oversee the sale of club shirts and other S³ merchandise during chapter meetings
- Ensure all officers and reps know date, time and location of every chapter event or meeting via text message, email, and phone chain
- Create and update phone chain
- Seek approval prior to posting information on Facebook
- Lead in prayer at each chapter event or meeting
- Keep the reps and officers informed about campus prayer concerns/needs
- Take the lead when situations arise that require the organization to demonstrate the love of Christ such as providing Bibles, meals, visits, cards and other forms of encouragement to students, or their families, from your campus
- Send monthly emails designed to spiritually build up all reps and officers
- Plan off-campus service project—1st & 2nd semester trips to Beautiful Feet Mission
- Volunteer to assist with the on-campus service project—The Senior Baccalaureate Service

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 - Attend each Stick, Stuff, Tuck (envelope addressing party) to prepare and mail the invitations
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Declarations for High School Leaders

Integrity Agreement

Officers and Representatives of Students Standing Strong are representatives of Jesus Christ. By affiliating my name with the organization I place myself in front of my peers and community as a Christian, who should always desire what God desires of me. When I put on the S³ T-Shirt or have my name listed on a S³ invitation, that affiliation is more visible and should cause me to be even more aware that wherever I am I should strive to live in a way that brings honor to Jesus Christ, so that when others see me, they don't see me as perfect but as someone who is committed to pleasing Him.

I commit (by signing my name and initialing each behavior) that I will, with the help of the Holy Spirit, strive to stand strong for the Lord and choose the following behaviors:

- ❖ **Attending required SSS meetings.** Initials _____
- ❖ **Honoring and obeying parent(s).** Initials _____
- ❖ **Respecting teachers and coaches.** Initials _____
- ❖ **God-honoring Speech-** Avoiding: taking God's name in vain, lying, cussing, gossiping, making fun of others and immoral joking. Initials _____
- ❖ **Sexual Purity:** this is more than just physical purity but includes that in thought, word and deed I am committed to God's standards. I will strive to dress in a manner that honors God and encourages purity. I will avoid viewing pornographic images and listening to sexually explicit music that would bring dishonor to the Lord. Initials _____
- ❖ **No stealing or cheating on school related work.** Initials _____
- ❖ **No use of alcohol or tobacco.** Initials _____
- ❖ **No use of any illegal drugs or misuse of prescription or over-the-counter drugs.** Initials _____

I realize I am not perfect, but because of Christ's sacrifice, I am forgiven when I know him personally. But I acknowledge that the gospel of Luke challenges me to live according to God's standards when it tells me: *"From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked."* ~ Luke 12:48

If I am not faithfully representing Jesus Christ or if circumstances arise that keep me from fulfilling my responsibilities and/or I miss two scheduled S³ activities or meetings (without contacting one of the following: teacher club sponsor, parent advisor or club president), I will step down from my position or may be asked to step down or be put on probationary status by a majority vote of the officers if circumstances warrant it.

I commit to the above Integrity Agreement and have shown it to my parent(s):

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Mission & Belief Statement Agreement

I have read, initialed, understood, and believe the Students Standing Strong Statement of Belief and am in full support of the Students Standing Strong Mission Statement listed on the next page.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____



Student Initials _____

Parent Initials _____

What We Believe

God

There is one and only one living and true God. He is the Creator, Redeemer, Preserver, and Ruler of the universe to whom we owe the highest love, reverence, and obedience. God reveals Himself to us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit; these three are co-equal and are one God.

Gen. 1:1 Gen 1:26-27 Gen 3:22 Psalm 90:2 Matt 28:19 1 Peter 1:1-2 2 Corinthians 13:14

Jesus Christ

Christ is the eternal Son of God. In His incarnation as Jesus Christ He was conceived of the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, perfectly revealed and did the will of God. Jesus lived a sinless human life. His death on the cross made provision for the redemption of men from sin. He was raised from the dead with a glorified body, ascended into heaven and is now exalted at the right hand of the Father. He will return in power and glory to judge the world and to consummate His redemptive mission. He now dwells in all believers as the living, and ever present, Lord.

Matthew 1:22, 23 Isaiah 9:6 John 1:1-5 John 14:10-30 Heb 4:14-15 1 Corinthians 15:3-4 Romans 1:3-4 Acts 1:9-11 1 Timothy 6:3-4 Titus 2:13

Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is co-equal with the Father and the Son of God. He is present in the world to make men aware of their need for Jesus Christ. He also lives in every Christian from the moment of salvation. He provides the Christian with power for living, understanding of spiritual truth, and guidance in doing what is right. He gives every believer a spiritual gift when they are saved. As Christians we seek to live under His control daily.

2 Corinthians 3:17 John 16:7-13 John 14:16-17 Acts 1:8 1 Corinthians 2:12 1 Corinthians 3:16

Bible

The Holy Bible is God's Word to us. Human authors, under the divine guidance of the Holy Spirit, wrote it. It is the supreme source of truth for Christian beliefs and living. Because it is inspired by God, it is the truth without any mixture of error.

2 Timothy 3:16 2 Peter 1:20-21 2 Timothy 1:13 Psalm 119:105 Psalm 119:160 Psalm 12:6 Proverbs 30:5

People

People are made in the spiritual image of God, to be like Him in character. People are the supreme object of God's creation. Although every person has tremendous potential for good, all of us are marred by an attitude of disobedience toward God called "sin." This attitude separates people from God and causes many problems in life.

Genesis 1:27 Psalm 8:3-6 Isaiah 53:6a Romans 3:23 Isaiah 59:1-2

Salvation

Salvation is God's free gift to us but we must accept it. We can never make up for our sin by self-improvement or good works. Only by belief in Jesus Christ as God's offer of forgiveness can anyone be saved from sin's penalty. When we turn from our self-ruled life and turn to Jesus in faith we are saved. Eternal life begins the moment one receives Jesus Christ into his/her life by faith.

Romans 6:23 Ephesians 2:8-9 John 14:6 John 1:12 Titus 3:5 Galatians 3:26 Romans 5:1

Eternal Security

Because God gives us eternal life through Jesus Christ, the true believer is secure in that salvation for eternity. Salvation is maintained by the grace and power of God, not by self-effort of the Christian. It is the grace and keeping power of God that gives us this security.

John 10:28-29; 2 Timothy 1:12; Hebrews 7:25



Mission Statement

To establish a faith based community in schools that equips students to stand strong in their Christian faith through encouragement, accountability, outreach and teaching from God's Word.