

JULIA KIM FRESHMAN PRESIDENT

List any previous leadership positions or experiences

- My previous leadership experiences were: I taught Korean at a church last year, I was a school vice president at my school before I came to the United States, I had few experiences as a team leader(ex. Field trip, project), and I also experienced a few class presidents in my past school.

Why do you want to be a member of Student Council? Why are you running for the position that you are running for this year?

- I want to be a member of the Student Council because I want to experience the student body of GSMST to have an inner growth. I could grow the ability to cooperate with teams and can experience having my duty. Not just for the inner growth, but I also want to give a positive influence to the school. Also, having a class president position could have a positive impact in my future, for example I can put this valuable experience into an essay. I am running this position this year because I like to reach out first, and I thought the class president would have the most opened and broad way to communicate with others.

From your perspective, what is the role of the Student Council at GSMST and in our community at large?

- In my perspective, the role of the Student Council at GSMST is to communicate with others to make school events, show better solutions to problems, and maintain kindness.

List up to three qualities would you use to describe an effective leader. What leadership skill(s) is your strength? How will you use that skill(s) to benefit Student Council and GSMST?

- The three qualities that describe an effective leader are: respect the diversity of thoughts, keep promises, and have a duty. I will use these skills to benefit the Student Council and GSMST. First, I respect the diversity of thoughts. In GSMST, every one of each student is different. Personality, minds, hobbies, background history, and more. Because of the difference, I cannot make my own voice. I have to accept the diversity of everyone and lead them for the best voice. Second, I have to keep promises and maintain my duty. In 6th grade, I learned about Cuba. The

president of the country had made a false promise towards his followers. This led to a tragic invasion. This shows a good example of when a leader makes a false promise and does not think of their duty seriously. As much of the history proves, the effective leader must be honest and make their choices carefully. Similar events could happen in GSMST if I or the leader of the school do not consider the Student Council importantly. To avoid poor leadership, I have to use the quality of keeping promises and have my own duty.

What would you most like to improve about your own leadership skills to become a better leader?

- I want to improve my own leadership skills to become a better leader. I am being too serious and become too nervous when I have to talk in front of a crowd.

Describe an activity for a new event that Student Council could host.

- A new activity that the Student Council could host is a secret Santa event in December with randomly chosen same grade level students to make new friends and have fun with the Christmas atmosphere.

How can Student Council improve its communication with the student body?

- The Student Council can improve its communication with the student body by having meetings and have an anonymous poll to see each student's true opinions towards the Student Council.

What do you think is the single greatest challenge facing our GSMST community and how can Student Council help to resolve this challenge?

- I think the greatest challenge facing the GSMST community is that some teachers do not check their emails often, so sometimes it is hard to get answers from them especially these days since most of the students are staying at home. To improve this problem, the GSMST Student Council could remind teachers through announcements or through their emails to check their inboxes.