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List any previous leadership positions or experiences.

GSMST StuCo/Georgia Association of Student Councils Rep

Organized and lead STEM-Based Curriculum for Local Pre-K

Why do you want to be a member of Student Council?

Over the last three years on the Student Council, I've learned about the importance of creating the most memorable events. My favorite high school memories have been from either StuCo or GSMST events as a whole. Being able to look back and realize that I contributed to a newly-made friendship, good memories, laughs - in some way or form is more satisfying than any other feeling.

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

Going into StuCo my freshman year, I always viewed StuCo as an event-planning committee, but I soon realized that StuCo is way more than any event-planning group. It plays a huge part in forming relationships, lifting others up when they're not having the best day, and building a culture.

List up to three qualities you would 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?

I think the 3 most important qualities of a leader are the ability to listen, empathize, and relate. Whoever you're talking to and in whatever situation, I feel like it's important to set any preconceptions behind and immerse yourself in the other person's world. When someone shares their idea, it's crucial to reserve personal judgment until you've thoroughly seen their vision.

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

There is a list of things that I would love to improve on if I could go back in time but to sum it up in one word - prioritization. Within the Council, I realized that sometimes I get bogged down by the insignificant details of an event. Working within the Council has shaped me into a better planner - a skill that I'm constantly looking to refine.

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

An activity I would love to see introduced would be one-on-one teacher interviews! I think it would be amazing for students to learn more and develop deeper relationships beyond the classroom.

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

One way StuCo can increase its communications is through hosting monthly Q&A sessions in the cafeteria. Students will have the opportunity to come up anytime during lunch and have their questions answered out loud through the mic!

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

I feel like the greatest challenge facing GSMST would be the lack of consistent events. We host large events like fall and spring dance, but it would be great to have a higher frequency of smaller events - goodie bags, appreciation notes - sprinkled throughout the year.