

# REEYAN KHIMANI FRESHMAN MEMBER AT LARGE

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## List any previous leadership positions or experiences

- I am currently a freshman at GSMST, so I have no leadership experience in Student Council at GSMST. But I do have a lot of leadership experience in other stuff. This includes leadership in my student council from my last school, Crews Middle School. I was a member of the student council at Crews Middle School for 3 years. Also, I am a member of the volunteering of the place of worship that I go to. I have been volunteering there every Friday, Saturday, and every event at the place of worship. I have been volunteering there for 6 years and counting and have been a lead there for 3-4 years.

## 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 at GSMST because I want to be a leader in our class and make sure that all the questions and concerns of the Class of 2024 are well acquainted to. Also, I am running for the position that I am running for because I want to make sure that I am really connected with the whole Class of 2024 and make the concerns we have known to the rest of the student council to be fixed or worked on.

## 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 very large because it allows the students of GSMST to make sure their voice is heard and to make sure that the changes they want can be made by talking with the student council who will then talk and try to fix any issues with the administration.

## **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?**

- Three qualities that I would use to describe an effective leader:
  1. Listening skills to listen to concerns and questions.
  2. Speaking skills to speak and try to solve those concerns or questions.
  3. Leading by example, so that we can move in the positive direction.

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

- I would most like to improve my leadership skills in making new friends and talking with more people. I would like to make new friends that are in higher grade levels than me and I would also like to talk to more people. I don't want to be shy and think about how they will react because in most cases it is not that negative and the other person is actually really nice.

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

- A new event that Student Council could hold would be a field day, like elementary kids do. We, at GSMST are very stressed out with our work sometimes and something like field day at towards the end of the semester or year would be greatly beneficial towards our mental health and would add some competition in our Classes.

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

- We can make sure that we are communicating with the students that are learning from home and use resources like Google Forms and Padlet to see how the students are feeling about specific topics each week. We must communicate with each other through these hard times to keep everyone up-to-date and make sure that everyone agrees with the Student Council because that is what the main purpose of Student Council is.

## **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 single greatest challenge facing our GSMST community facing is something that everyone in the world is facing right now. This is not having enough face-to-face social interaction throughout our daily life because of Covid-19. I think that the Student Council can help resolve

this issue by making sure that we are consistently making sure we have video chats(not about studies) with each other to communicate and talk. Also, we can have a page on the GSMST course page with contact information(that would be taken by permission)so that friends in school can talk to each other outside of school even if they did not ask for their contact information. Also, students that are learning digital can make new friends even though they are not in school.