



SOUTH JORDAN MIDDLE SCHOOL  
**7th Grade S.B.O. Application**  
2023-2024



### Introduction--7th Grade

Do you want to make a *difference* in your school? Do you want to be *involved* in serving and leading your classmates at SOJO?

**THEN APPLY TO BE A SOJO STUDENT BODY OFFICER!**

SBOs are responsible, hardworking students who care about their school's culture. The main responsibilities of a SBO include planning school activities, spirit weeks, and organizing assemblies that promote positivity in our school.

### Overview/Expectations

- SBOs will practice and enhance **leadership skills** such as: Time management, budgeting, planning, goal setting, effective communication and organization.
- SBOs will receive class credit by taking a "Leadership" class 5th period. You **MUST** take the class and attend PROWL without excessive absences to be an SBO.
- SBOs are expected to maintain higher than a **3.0 GPA** with no D's or F's, and hold citizenship grades no lower than an "S". Students who fail to uphold these standards may be put on probation or removed from leadership.
- **Kindness.** It is crucial that all SBO's are kind and inclusive. Students must be good examples of kindness and standing up for others.
- As a Student Body Officer, you represent SOJO at the school and in the community. Behavior is expected to be exemplary.
- Students will help participate in ALL school activities and support their fellow SBOs.
- Students **MUST** attend a 2 day **SBO camp this summer** (date TBD- usually the week before school starts).
- Students will need to plan on attending the following activities: 7th Grade Orientation, Back to School Night, 6th to 7th Grade Orientation, Friday Morning High-fives, and other additional days as needed.

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Task to Apply Overview	Due Date
Email Mrs. Monson for an Interview Time	<b>April 12, 2023</b>
Application and Portfolio (Turn in at time of Interview)	<b>April 14, 2023</b>
Interview by Committee	<b>April 14, 2023</b>
Teacher Recommendations	<b>April 19, 2023</b>
Final Results Announced/ Emailed	<b>April 21, 2023</b>

**Application and Portfolio** *(due April 14th)*

- Students will need to fill out the **application** attached with every aspect completed.
- **“About Me Page”**- Students will create an “About Me” page and attach it to the application. It should include what a day in your life looks like such as activities, responsibilities, hobbies, and any way in which your time is spent. Please use a 8 ½ by 11 inch sheet of paper. It can be an essay, bulleted list, original drawing, collage, etc.
- **Mini Portfolio**- Students will also need to present the following brainstormed ideas on a 8 ½ by 11 inch sheet of paper:
  - 1 school theme/motto for next year (this year’s was “You Belong”)
  - 2 ideas/activities that will support SOJO’s Kindness initiative and help promote the importance of being kind at school.
  - 2 different lunchtime activities that could be done during “Hello week” and a brief explanation of the activity and the preparation required.
  - 3 Spirit/Dress up ideas (anytime of the school year, not limited to “Hello Week”).

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**Teacher Recommendations *(due April 19th)***

As part of the selection process, your 6th grade teacher will need to fill out a recommendation form. Mrs. Monson will email it to your 6th grade teacher **AFTER** your interview. Please remind your teacher to do this for you!

**Interviews**

- Candidates will need to email Mrs. Monson (mccall.monson@jordandistrict.org ) **by April 12th at 3 pm** to sign up for a time to interview.
- **PLEASE BRING YOUR ENTIRE APPLICATION AND PORTFOLIO** to the interview.
- **Interviews will take place on April 14th**, sometime after school at South Jordan Middle School. Please meet in the main office when you arrive.
- Interviews will be 3-5 minutes long.
- Students will be asked to introduce themselves, be asked questions about why you are interested in being an SBO, how you want to improve SOJO, etc.
- The committee will make up a variety of teachers, current SBO, and potential others.
- Applicants **MUST** attend their scheduled time, or they could be disqualified. If there are prior conflicts, talk to Mrs. Monson immediately.

Election Point Break Down	Points
Interviews	40
Teacher Recommendations	40
Portfolio and Application	20
Total	100 Points <i>Top 4 scores from each grade will be selected as SBOs for next year</i>

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\* WINNERS WILL BE CONTACTED ON APRIL 21, 2023 \*

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Elementary School: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the best way to contact you? (Circle) **Phone/Text** **Email**

Student Email (The best to contact you with): \_\_\_\_\_

Student Phone Number (if you have one): \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_ Sweatshirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_ (Sizes range from Adult XS-XXL)

Parent Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE ATTACH GRADES FOR THE ENTIRE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR

**Why do you want to be a part of the Leadership team at SOJO?**

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**SOJO Leadership Students are expected to be a positive example in how they behave, academically, and socially. How are you a good example to everyone?**

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## **SBO Contract**

1. **Be a Good Example to All/ Be a Community Builder-** this includes inside and outside of school, online, etc. This includes following all school rules such as being on time to class, respecting others and our school grounds, and taking responsibility for your actions.
2. **Behavior-** As a Student Body Officer, you represent SOJO in the school and community. Behavior is expected to be exemplary. If there are more than 3 behavior issues or incidents, you will be removed from office.
3. **Grades and Citizenship-** You will maintain a 3.0 GPA, you will have no less than an "S" in citizenship. If you have grades that are lower than a "C" for a quarter, you will discuss with Mrs. Monson and be put on probation for one quarter. If there are issues with citizenship, you will get an email home and possible probation with 3 offenses. Grades are the priority.
4. **Participation-** You are expected to participate in all the activities assigned. When you are in charge of an activity, it is your responsibility to come prepared. Though assignments are graded on completion, they are expected to be of quality work. If you fail to complete tasks, you could risk the chance of failing your leadership class.
5. **Courage. Kindness. Respect.** Overall, you are expected to show kindness and respect to all. You must have courage to stand up for what's right, defend others, and be a good example. Gossiping/bullying is forbidden and could cause probation or expulsion from the program.

**Students- By signing this document, I agree to comply with all of the following rules and expectations and try my best as an elected officer of SOJO.**

**Parents- By signing this, you understand what is expected of your child as an SBO, and allow my students to be photographed/filmed for school purposes.**

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*Applicant's Signature*

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*Parent Signature*

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