

# Mary Porter Traditional School

## STUDENT AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

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The Porter Student Ambassador Program is a platform for students to make connections, enhance leadership skills, and to gain a sense of belonging within the school community. The program will provide peer support for newly enrolled students to ease their transition during the first week of school; as well friendship throughout the school year.

The program will benefit both new and existing Porter students, Porter parents, and the entire school community.

### **Student Ambassadors will serve the school community by:**

- ✓ Leading school tours
- ✓ Supporting new students' transition to Porter.
  - Including first day of school support for first grade students
- ✓ Providing new students and their parents with information about Porter and the community.
- ✓ Connecting to peers and faculty.
- ✓ Having lunch with a younger student.
- ✓ Handing out welcome packets/pamphlets during Porter events.
- ✓ Sharing knowledge about the school community.
- ✓ Assisting military-connected and civilian students.
- ✓ Being a positive leader, mentor, and friend.

### **The Student Ambassador Program encourages students to:**

- ✓ Connect with peers of diverse backgrounds and interests.
- ✓ Create an inclusive school environment.
- ✓ Develop leadership skills.
- ✓ Increase school engagement and academic achievement.

**Porter's Student Ambassador Program is available throughout the school year and serves ALL Porter students!**



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### RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS:

- ✓ Greet new students at the main office on their first day of school.
- ✓ Take them on a tour of the building.
- ✓ Introduce new students to teachers and staff.
- ✓ Discuss and explain school rules, policies, and procedures.
- ✓ When possible, walk new students to their classes throughout the day.
- ✓ Make conversation with new students and students at orientation.
- ✓ Participate in and assist with Porter's activities.

### REQUIREMENTS TO JOIN:

- ✓ Students must be in good academic standing.
- ✓ Students will not have any referrals for the past 3 months (or have Mrs. Foor's permission).
- ✓ Students applying should be responsible, friendly, and respectful and always follow Porter Patriots' Star Qualities.
- ✓ While doing their personal best.
- ✓ Students must have the desire to serve/represent Porter in a positive way to create a positive school community.
- ✓ Students who are willing to spend time with new students and families to make them feel welcome to Porter.
- ✓ Students must be able to attend ALL meetings.

### APPLICATION PROCESS:

- 1) Pick up an application from the main office.
- 2) Complete your application and return it to Mrs. Johnson or Mrs. Engelmeierer-Foor.
- 3) **Applications must be received by Friday, March 15, 2024.**

### SELECTION PROCESS:

All completed applications received will be reviewed and rated based on:

- 1) Turning the application in on time
- 2) Your student statements.
- 3) School participation, attendance, and discipline
- 4) Teacher recommendation Student Ambassador Responsibilities

### REQUIRED TRAINING

All Ambassadors will be required to attend a day-long training course during the school day on: \_\_\_\_\_ .



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**APPLICATION**

STUDENT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ GR: \_\_\_\_\_ TEACHER: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First & Last Name) (Homeroom if Middle School)

STUDENT EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name (First/Last): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICATION ESSAY**

- 1) Please answer BOTH of the following essay questions, in paragraph form.
- 2) Answers should be typed and labeled with your name and date.
- 3) Please staple your answer sheets to the application.

**Question #1.** Why would you be a good candidate for a student ambassador position? Be sure to discuss why you would like to be an ambassador, as well as the qualities you possess that would make you a good candidate. Please be specific and give details.

**Question #2.** If you could propose one change that would positively affect the culture or climate of our school, what would it be and why? Please be specific and provide details.

**APPLICATION SUBMISSION CHECKLIST:**

- I have completed page 1 of the application.
- I have answered the 2 essay questions and stapled them to this packet.
- I have the recommendation form signed by 3 teachers and it is stapled to this packet.

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT APPLICATION IS MARCH 15, 2024**



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**TEACHER RECOMMENDATION FORM**

It is your responsibility to have 3 of your current teachers sign the Teacher Recommendation Form. Their printed name and signature are required to complete your application. The teacher's signature will verify that they recommend you become a Porter Ambassador member.

**#1** TEACHER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**#2** TEACHER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**#3** TEACHER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

The signatures above verify that 3 of my current teachers recommend that I become a Porter Traditional Ambassador Member.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

