2017-2018 NEW CREW LEADER APPLICATION

You must be a current Sophomore or Junior to apply. Due April 21st to room 314.

Thank you so much for your interest in being a New Crew leader. Supporting and mentoring the Class of **2021** is a priority at Acalanes and we are working hard to create a year long program for the freshmen class.

As a New Crew leader, you will play an integral role in supporting the entire class and in particular, 5-10 freshmen, throughout the year. We will be planning events monthly and using academy time (1-2 times a month) to meet, discuss current issues and plan events.

We want you to be on board for the year of NEW CREW! It will begin in August 2017 and end in June 2018.

Here is an overview of what we have planned for the year:

June: Start of New Crew (bonding at night)

August: New Crew training, Orientation & freshmen social, Family tours at Dons Day,1st day welcome, freshmen BBQ before 1st home football game

September: new crew lunch, Homecoming, teacher-freshmen lunch, notes to freshmen

October: Halloween movie night, Wall of Kindness, first classroom visit, service project

November: New Crew Thanksgiving potluck, new crew lunch,

December: teacher-freshmen lunch, notes to freshmen

January: finals review sessions, good luck notes, chalking in the freshmen quad, second classroom visit, **February:** new crew lunch, service project, Valentine's notes

March: teacher-freshmen lunch

April: Freshmen bonding night, New Crew lunch,

May: teacher-freshmen lunch, Interviews, freshmen parent night, freshmen rally, outdoor movie night, **June:** ice cream social, New Crew lunch

Our expectations of New Crew Leaders:

- Be excited to work with, support & mentor the Class of 2021
- Be present at all events and academy meetings
- Check and respond to emails for easy communication between the New Crew board and leaders
- Co-plan 2 events each semester.
- Dress up for school-wide dress-up days and create easy ways for freshmen to join you.
- Communicate regularly with your 5-10 freshmen.
- Wear your new crew shirt to events!

Specific dates to note (more will be added)):

- Attending the **June Development Day** = New Crew Training Day **May 31st**, **5:00pm-7:00pm**
- Attending New Crew Leader Training on Aug. 11th, 8:00am-12:00pm
- Give family tours at **Dons Day** (each New Crew leader will work 1 hour) on **August 16th**
- □ Set up, guide Frosh, and clean up for Freshman Orientation on Aug. 17th, 8:00-1:30pm
- Attending the Freshmen Dance on August 17th, 7:00pm-9:00pm
- □ Helping Freshmen at **Homecoming Hallway Decorating** on September 18th.

**We having conversations with each New Crew Leader the week of May 1st to talk about the application and their interest in the program so look for an email with possible dates.

Please print VERY clearly!

NAME:	Current Sophomore or Junior
Preferred partner:	(it is also okay to leave this blank)
Cell Number:	
Preferred email address:	

Activities: (including extracurriculars sports and clubs, and jobs) you are currently involved in and anticipate being involved in next year:

- → Did you apply for New Crew last year? **YES** / **NO**
- → If you were on New Crew this year, did you stick to your commitments (June Development, Training Day, Freshman Orientation, Freshman lunchtime activities, classroom visits)?
 YES / NO. Explain your answer:

Please answer the following questions in an honest and thoughtful way. Please write legibly or type.

RETURNING APPLICANTS

- 1. How was your experience as a leader? Why did you decide to be a leader again? What can you contribute to make the freshmen have an easier transition to high school?
- 2. What are some possible new events we could hold to form a bond with the leaders and the freshmen?
- 3. Would you be willing to take a larger role within New Crew and be a captain? Captains will lead academy meetings, be the lead on events and debrief with new crew leaders.

Please answer the following questions in an honest and thoughtful way. Please write legibly.

NEW CREW APPLICANTS:

1.) Why do you want to be a NEW CREW LEADER? What do you think the role of the NEW CREW LEADER should be at Acalanes?

2.) Please describe briefly an experience or a person during your first year at Acalanes that made a positive difference for you, and created a sense of belonging.

3.) How will you as a leader be there to support the freshmen and allow them to feel welcomed at Acalanes? Please come up with some goals as a leader that you will try to accomplish next year. Example: if a freshmen looks lost on the first day, ask them if they need help.

Return completed application to room 314 by April 21st. If you have any further questions you can email the New Crew board at <u>nataliefelliott@gmail.com</u>.