



San Clemente High School Link Crew Returning Leader Application (2022-2023 School Year)

Dear Link Crew Leader Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in applying to be a Link Crew leader for the 2022-2023 school year. Link Crew is a freshman transition program that welcomes freshmen and makes them feel comfortable throughout the first year of their high school experience. Being a part of Link Crew means that you will have an opportunity to impact school culture at San Clemente High School and make a real difference in the lives of your fellow students. You will also receive leadership and mentorship training that will still be applicable long after you leave our school.

Before you apply, please note the mandatory dates listed on the bottom of this page. **These dates are absolutely mandatory for all leaders and you will not be able to be a Link Crew leader if you cannot make all of them.** Please do not apply if you already know that you have a conflict with any of these dates. Additionally, please remember that only current sophomores and juniors may apply to be leaders.

Please read and complete this packet carefully. Failure to completely fill out the application and comply with all requirements will result in your disqualification. This application is to be completed in full and turned in to Ms. Dimperio (Room 406) by Friday, March 18th before 2:45 pm. Failure to do so, for any reason, will result in your inability to be considered for a leader position. If you have any questions, please speak to Ms. Dimperio, either in person or via Canvas. Be sure you know the deadlines and meet them. Thank you for your interest in impacting future generations of Tritons!

Sincerely,

Ms. Dimperio
Link Crew Coordinator

Link Crew Leader Application Timeline

Date	Event
February 28	Applications available for pick up/download
March 18	Applications due (2:45 pm)
March 29 – March 31	Applicant interviews will be held after school. You will be notified of your interview time via Canvas.
April 19	Applicants will be notified via email whether or not they have been accepted as new leaders.

Mandatory Dates for Leaders

Date	Event
May 16	Development Day
August 8 & 9 (8 am – 1 pm) **August 8 could be replaced with August 6 due to registration dates**	Leader Training Days
August 10 (8 am – 1 pm)	Transfer Student Breakfast
August 11 (7 am – 1 pm)	Freshman Orientation

Application Checklist:

- Letter of Introduction
- Application Page
- Signed Link Crew Code of Conduct
- Print out of Report Card from 2021-2022 Fall Semester – Report Card can be found in Aeries Portal. **This should be your Report Card NOT your transcript.**

Letter of Introduction:

Each applicant is required to submit a Letter of Introduction. This letter should be a brief written account that addresses the questions below and incorporates your past leadership experience. The letter should be a **maximum of one-page in length and typed**. Letters should be professional. Students who do not complete an adequate Letter of Introduction will be disqualified from applying. This letter should be submitted as part of the application packet.

1. If you are accepted back for another year as a Link Crew leader, how would you improve as a leader next year?
2. Based on your experience this year, how might we be able to improve the Link Crew program?
3. What is one activity or lesson that you would like to implement in Homeroom next year? How would you improve Homeroom for the freshmen (Getting rid of Homeroom is not an appropriate response)?
4. Is there anything else that you would like us to know about you?

SCHS Link Crew Code of Conduct

As a member of San Clemente High School's Link Crew, I promise to:

Please initial each line; your initial indicates you have read and understand the expectations for a SCHS Link Crew Leader.

1. Show dedication and responsibility

I will attend all Link Crew and team meetings/events during the summer

Link Crew leaders are REQUIRED to attend one training day at the end of the school year (May 16), two training days in the summer (August 8 & 9), the Transfer Student Breakfast (August 10) and the Freshman Orientation (August 11). As our most important events of the year, all five of these dates are MANDATORY. There are NO exceptions. If you are unavailable on any of these dates, you cannot be selected as a Link Crew leader. By signing, you are agreeing to be present at all five mandatory dates.

I will attend all Link Crew meetings/freshman centered events during the school year and if I cannot attend, I will notify the Link Crew Coordinators as soon as possible.

Link Crew is a year-long program. There will be monthly meetings and monthly freshmen centered events. You will be required to help organize and/or attend all monthly freshman centered events.

I will keep in contact with my Freshman Crew every month throughout the year.

As a Link Crew Leader, you are required to contact all your freshmen every month. This includes inviting them to all freshman centered events, periodically checking in with them, and setting up meetings with them on campus and/or outside of school. Leaders will be required to keep a contact log with all their freshmen.

I will fulfill all responsibilities in all Link Crew related activities.

I will read and respond to all emails and Remind texts related to Link Crew.

2. Show respect

I will deal with people and situations in a way that reflects positively on San Clemente High School.

I will set a good example with my behavior—*in and out of school, including all social media outlets.*

I will actively curtail bullying, especially against freshmen.

3. Show enthusiasm

I will display a positive and spirited attitude toward our school.

I will help freshmen see what a great place San Clemente High School is.

San Clemente High School's Link Crew Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco Policy

Each selected member of San Clemente High School's Link Crew understands that the following policy exists. Any inappropriate behavior—including but not exclusively limited to possession of drugs, drug paraphernalia, alcohol, or tobacco; or use of drugs, alcohol, or tobacco—that comes to the Link Crew Coordinators' attention will result in an immediate review of said behavior and could lead to a leader's removal from Link Crew. SCHS's Link Crew has a two-strike system. At the first offense, the student is suspended from Link Crew for 20 weeks. At the end of this suspension, the student may re-apply to Link Crew. If the student has another offense, he or she will be removed from Link Crew permanently. These strikes accrue for the student's entire time in Link Crew. This policy adheres to San Clemente High School's *Student Code of Conduct* as well as Link Crew's philosophy that Link Crew Leaders "be a presence on campus as models of positive behavior".

As a San Clemente High School Link Crew Leader, I understand these policies and the consequences if I choose to violate them. I am aware that failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in my dismissal as a Link Crew Leader.

Student Name: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____



Link Crew New Leader Application Page

Full Name: _____

Email Address: _____ **Cell Phone Number:** _____

Current Weighted GPA: _____ **Grade Level You Will Be Next Year:** Senior Junior

Languages Spoken Fluently: _____

Please check all extracurricular activities that you are involved in at SCHS or outside of SCHS and include any titles or leadership roles. Please include current and potential future activities or roles.

- ASB
- Drama
- Sports: _____
- Music Programs: _____
- Clubs: _____
- Other Academic Programs: _____
- After School Job: _____
- Honors/Awards/Recognitions (Please list): _____



On a scale from 1-5, rate the amount of interaction you had with your freshmen AFTER Orientation.

I don't remember who my freshmen are. 1 2 3 4 5 I talk to my freshmen on a weekly basis.

Explain: (Can attach a different piece of paper for response)

On a scale from 1-5, rate the level of commitment you showed to Link Crew this year.

I was at Orientation, but that was it. 1 2 3 4 5 I never missed an event or a lunch meeting.

Explain: (Can attach a different piece of paper for response)