

Student Council



In our Notre Dame school in Syokimau, Kenya, the student council election is always an exciting event during every academic year. The nomination of the potential leaders took place on January 9, 2024. The students gathered in their houses of Red, Green, Blue, and Yellow to nominate leaders. The nominated leaders met the Electoral Body and were instructed to prepare their campaign speeches.

On January 22, 2024, the nominated leaders appeared before the entire school to launch their campaigns. In their beautifully prepared speeches, they promised to be exemplary leaders and pledged their support to the staff. The students gathered for the 2024 School General Elections on the same day. The school hall was the Polling Station, and all the teachers were the Returning Officers. The chairman of the Notre Dame Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) gave a speech to the students and the directives for the voting process. The ballot papers and ballot boxes were put in place. The voting process went smoothly.

The tabulation of the votes was done. All the students gathered in the hall for the declaration of the winners. These learners were so excited to receive their new leaders.

Preparations for the induction of the new Students' Government started immediately after the elections. The leaders had several orientation sessions and valuable practice.

The induction ceremony was genuinely colorful. Being the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple, special prayers were offered for the new leaders. The leaders took the oath of office as the President, Deputy President, Governors and Deputy Governors of Red, Yellow, Green, and Blue houses, Cabinet Secretaries of various ministries, Class Secretaries, and Prefect, each with a unique role.

The whole procedure, from nominating leaders to launching manifestos, nomination, election, and induction, is very educational for our staff and students. The process meticulously follows the Social Studies Curriculum and helps the learners see what they have learned in class. It opens opportunities for them to exercise their leadership skills, and the process prepares them to become great leaders now and in the future.

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