

# **Junior Pupils' Committee**

**Concept** 

# Pupils' Committee of European School Luxembourg 1

The Pupils Committee (PC) of the European School of Luxembourg 1 is excited to propose the creation of a Junior Pupils' Committee (JPC), a sub-organization designed to give young students in S1-S3 an opportunity to participate in decision-making processes and have their voice heard within the school community. The JPC will also serve as an opportunity for younger students who may want to join the PC to learn more about it. The JPC will be an important addition to the Pupils' Committee, providing opportunities for students to develop leadership skills, increase awareness about the PC, and promote participation in school activities.

# Purpose and Motivation of the JPC:

The primary purpose of the JPC is to provide young students at the European School of Luxembourg 1 with an opportunity to participate in decision-making processes and have a voice in the school community. Additionally, the JPC will help to raise awareness about the PC among young students and promote participation in PC activities.

Our motivation for this initiative lies in the lack of awareness among young students about their possibilities within the school to have their voices heard and how they can contribute to school life. We have noticed that many students in S1-S3 are not aware of the PC and the role it plays in shaping school life. We believe that it's important to provide a platform for young students to express their concerns, wishes and problems. The JPC will help to raise awareness about the PC among young students and promote participation in PC activities, which will help to counterbalance the current underrepresentation of S1-S3 members among the PC.

#### Structure of the JPC:

The JPC will be composed of students from S1-S3. Students will be able to apply to be a part of the JPC, and the selection process will be based on their expressed motivation and in case we are unable to satisfy their interest, Class Representatives – as elected student representatives – will get prioritized. Once selected, students will be divided into two groups, A and B, based on their lunch break (either Period 5 or P6) on a given day. The A group will meet during P5, and the B group will meet during P6. Meetings will be held every month, giving students enough time to adequately express their needs and questions. Meetings will be chaired by designated members of the PC to provide guidance and support for the JPC members.

# **Responsibilities of JPC Members:**

JPC members will have several responsibilities, including:

- Attending meetings once a month
- Providing input and feedback on school activities and decisions
- Raising awareness about the PC and promoting participation in PC activities
- Encouraging other young students to get involved in school activities

# Benefits of the JPC:

The JPC will provide a number of benefits for young students at the European School of Luxembourg 1, including:

- Giving students a voice in school decisions and activities
- Developing leadership skills
- Raising awareness about the PC and promoting participation in PC activities
- Providing an opportunity for students to become more involved in school activities
- Providing an opportunity for younger students to learn more about the PC and develop skills for it

In conclusion, the creation of the Junior Pupils' Committee (JPC) is an important step towards giving young students in S1-S3 a voice in the school community and providing them with an opportunity to participate in decision-making processes. This initiative may serve as the foundation for a long-term impactful project that will help to raise awareness about the PC among young students, promote participation in PC activities, and provide opportunities for students to develop leadership skills and become more involved in school life.