



BUTTE COLLEGE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS PACKET

2025-2026

STUDENT LIFE OFFICE

STEP 1: Pick a Student Government (Student Senate) Position

In addition, ALL positions attend to the shared matters of equity, diversity & inclusion, student conduct & rights, access, technology, student well-being, sustainability, and student success.

Leadership Team (Elected by the Student Body)

President

Upholds the mission, values and goals of the BCAS Board. Also provides leadership, direction and oversight for the BCAS board. They're a liaison to our college's faculty, staff, and administrative leadership teams.

Vice President of Internal Affairs

Assists the President with leadership, direction, and oversight for the BCAS board. It also helps the Student Senate Advisor with the Student Advocacy Program to ensure that student voices are heard on campus-wide decision-making committees.

Student Trustee

Serves as the liaison between the student body and the district's Board of Trustees. Represents the student voice in district-wide decision making, planning and staying up to date on the college's planning and initiatives.

Business Affairs

Assists the AS Advisor and Student Life Secretary. Oversees the general BCAS budget and BCAS grants program that provides funding for clubs, campus department projects, events, and travel.

Senators (Appointed by the Leadership Team)

Student Services Senators: Enrollment (2 positions)

Focus on matters related to admissions, financial aid, veterans' resources, career and academic success, job placement, and counseling.

Student Services Senators: Student Life (2 positions)

Focus on matters related to (but not limited to) Student equity, clubs, campus events, orientation, student conduct/rights/responsibilities, student centers, and support centers.

Student Services Senators: Student Success (2 positions)

Focus on matters related to (but not limited to) disabled student services, safe place and wellness, Inspiring Scholars, health center, student success program, EOPS, Roadrunner Hub & basic needs center.

Academic Affairs Senator: Transfer & General Education (1 position)

Focuses on matters related to academic departments, certificates, degrees, guided pathways, academic technology, distance education, library services, work experience, dual enrollment, athletics, child development, study abroad.

Academic Affairs Senator: Career & Technical Education (1 position)

Focuses on matters related to academic departments, certificates, degrees, guided pathways, academic technology, distance education, library services, work experience, dual enrollment, athletics, child development, and study abroad.

STEP 2: Apply

Student Government at Butte College is made up of an elected Student Leadership Team and appointed Student Senators. Together these students work to represent and advocate for student interests, needs, and ideas.

Join the Student Leadership Team

The Leadership Team positions are elected through a student body election process. **Student Body elections will take place on April 23 –25, 2024 online.**

Leadership Applications are due in BC Connect on April 8th, 2025.

Leadership Position	Hours/week	Honorarium per Semester
President	10-12	\$1000
Vice President	8-10	\$800
Student Trustee	8-10	\$800
Business Affairs Director	8-10	\$800

Become a Student Senator

Senator positions are appointed by the Student Government Leadership Team through an application process after the Leadership Team is elected. **Senators will be appointed on May 7th, 2024.**

Senator Applications are due in BC Connect on May 3rd, 2025.

Senator Position	Hours/week	Honorarium per Semester
Student Services Senators (6 positions)	5-7	\$600
Academic Senators (2 positions)	5-7	\$600

Applying for a Student Government position in BC Connect is easy!



1. Visit www.butte.edu/bcconnect or scan the QR Code at the bottom of this page!
2. Login in using your Butte College email and password
3. Search for Associated Students and select the Associated Students Page
4. Scroll down to the form section
5. Complete the application form for either a Leadership or Senator application



STEP 3: Elections (Leadership Candidates ONLY)

Attend an ELECTION INFORMATION SESSION (for any interested student)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday, March 27th, 11am to 12pm Thursday, March 28th, 11am to 12pm Tuesday April 2nd, 12:00pm to 1:00pm Wednesday April 3rd, 2:00pm to 3:00 pm <p>*ALL sessions to take place in Campus Center 116</p>	<p>These sessions are NOT mandatory but highly encouraged. These sessions will provide more information about the Student Government (Student Senate) and the role of the officers. It will also offer details about the election process and will answer questions about campaigning or the election.</p>
Submit Your CANDIDATE APPLICATION	
Thursday, April 10 th by 11:59pm	Candidates will apply using the electronic form in BC Connect .
Attend a MANDATORY CANDIDATE ORIENTATION (for Leadership candidates only)	
<p>Wednesday, April 9th/10th, 2025 In-person 1:00pm to 2:00 pm, CC 116</p>	<p>Each eligible Leadership candidate will need to attend <u>ONE MANDATORY</u> orientation to learn important information regarding campaigning and the election. We will hold three, but you are only <u>required to attend one</u>. If you cannot make any of these times, please make an appointment with Angel Ventura-Plascencia (ventura-plascenciaan@butte.edu)</p>
Start Your CAMPAIGN	
<p>Begins Wednesday, April 16th, thru Thursday May 1st, 2025</p> <p>Ends Thursday, May 1st, 2025</p>	<p>During this time, you will be campaigning to be elected to the 2025-2026 Student Senate Board.</p>
Vote in the ONLINE ELECTION	
<p>Begins Tuesday, April 29th, 6am</p> <p>Ends Thursday, May 1st at 4pm</p>	<p>The election will be held online for 48 hours (about 2 days). Emails will be sent out to current students to be notified to vote!</p>
Check the RESULTS POSTED FOR 2025-2026 ASSOCIATED STUDENT BOARD	
Friday, May 2 nd , 2025	The results will be posted online, at the main campus in the Student Life office and on the Student Life webpage.

STEP 4 – Getting Started - Save the Date **(tentative: Orientation Days ONLY)**

New officers get to participate in paid trainings to help you get started off on the right foot in your new position. Below are the dates and times that you'll need to attend over the summer and fall.

Save these dates:

**We realize that you may have classes and/or work scheduled during some of these important dates. If you are not able to adjust your schedule, please contact the AS Advisor a.s.a.p. Angel Ventura-Plascencia*

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Officer Transition and Appointment Meeting	
Tuesday May 6 th , 2025 2pm to 4pm Location: The Nest	At this meeting, you will watch the outgoing board hold their last meeting and take your seat as part of the 2025-2026 Executive Board. Senators are invited to this meeting. Leadership team will take office.
First Official Meeting of the 2025-2026 Board	
Tuesday, May 13 th , 2025 2pm to 4pm Location: The Nest	The new board will run this meeting, discuss any new agenda items, appoint Senators, and approve the following year's budget. <i>*Confirm date for the New Officer Orientation</i>
New Officer Orientation	
Friday May 16 th , 2025 9am to 3pm Location: TBD	This is a mandatory orientation to review the dates, timelines, projects/events, expectations, and more so you feel prepared to start in August. <i>*Includes lunch</i>
New officer Meet, Greet & Lunch	
Friday, May 16 th , 2025 9am-3pm Location: TBD	This is a chance to meet and connect with all the new board members and outgoing 2025-2026 board members. <i>*Includes lunch</i>
Student Senate Board Training/Leadership Academy	
July 14 th -17 th 9am to 4pm Various locations on the main campus - TBA	This is a paid training to help board members learn skills, discover valuable campus resources, meet important campus contacts, and start to build their team for the year. <i>*Includes lunch</i>
AS Fall Board Meetings	
Every Tuesday starting September 2 nd 2 to 4pm Room location on the main campus - The Nest	The AS Board meets every Tuesday during the school year with the following exceptions - no meetings the first and last weeks of the semester or on campus holidays.

For any additional questions, please visit the Student Life Office and or contact Angel Ventura-Plascencia (Ventura-plascenciaan@butte.edu) at 530-895-2308