

Karl Alamo

## Student Body President Speech

Good morning. For those of you who don't know me, I am Karl Alamo and I, of wonderfully Asian stature, am running for student body president. I am currently on the YMCA Board of Trustees as a youth representative, which already gives me the experience of being a member of a board like our own school board. Being on the school board, I could change so much for our school to make the better. I am also the president of YMCA Leaders' Club, a volunteer group that helps out the community in anyway we can, and I'm closing in on my personal goal of accumulating one thousand volunteer hours for our community. This gives me increased experience with leadership and interaction. I play alto saxophone in the high school band and for the Boothbay Region Alumni Community Band. I also participate in sports including cross country, swimming, and track and field, and this year, I have been inducted into the National Honors Society. I also have repeatedly been a member of committees that better the high school careers of you as students. Already being a student council member as both a president and a treasurer for my class during my high school career, I already have a working knowledge of how things are organized in the student government of Boothbay Region High School.

Unlike the two other candidates, I have been a student of the Boothbay Region School District since Kindergarten which has left me with twelve years under my belt of observing the behavior of our community and building relationships with most of you already. You as students, growing with me through each year since then, have helped make me the person that I am today. With the relationships that we have built together and with the staff members, we can be united as one next year. I don't want to lead you, throwing all of my needs and wants at you like the others (will/have). I want us to lead together to stand up for

our beliefs, the passionate beliefs that are forced back into our heads by the heads themselves, and the rights that we lack that is leaving us as a student body suppressed. Next year, I plan on lifting us out of suppression, allowing us to rise up to voice a voice that we did not have before, avoiding a year like this year which included the proposed schedule change that created more problems than solutions for us, despite our determined and desperate efforts that were completely disregarded to abolish the plan. It has prevented students that want to exceed from exceeding and has prevented the majority of you from taking the classes that you want to take. As student body president, I will continue to propose solutions for the many problems that we face.

For next year, I will push for open campus lunch to make up for the freedom that we lacked this year and I will continue to advocate for the construction of a track holding a multipurpose turf field for the use of all sports teams that need it, helping out with the committee that is already in that process. I will also work hard to reinstate what our school is eliminating due to our schedule that you all will desire, senior privileges. This is not about what I want, it is solely about what you want, which is why, in addition to my said propositions, I will also advocate for open student body forums that will allow you to voice your own beliefs to me. With the work ethic from being an AP student, especially from taking four this year, I will work hard to turn your ideas into reality. Together, we can make next year, my final thirteenth year and senior year and your continuing years of your high school careers, a year of complete productivity, rectification, responsibility, and remembrance. Vote for me, Karl Alamo, for your 2014-2015 student body president.