



ETSU Student Government Association
Secretary of Allocations

Leaders of Student Organizations at ETSU,

My name is Lucas Hitechew, and I am the new Secretary of Allocations for the Student Government Association at ETSU. Part of my job is overseeing the BUC Fund, a fund that I hope that many of you will take advantage of in the coming year. Since my appointment to this position, we have made a few changes to the BUC Fund, including a new application and a new application process. As all change can be, these new additions have been confusing for organizations in this first BUC Fund session, and I would like to help alleviate those challenges for the next session.

First, regarding the application, we have worked to streamline the issues that are most important to the Senate while taking out bulky and useless questions from the old application. This new application is shorter and more straight-forward, seeking to make applying a less painful process! As you fill it out, I would ask that you note any changes that you would like to see made to it, and please contact me with any suggestions to make it clearer or easier to fill out. We would love your feedback and would be honored to make changes that you may find helpful!

As for the process, I would like to start off by noting that turning in the BUC Fund application is often a difficult or unclear process. Thus, this year, we have taken steps to make it easier. In the SGA Office (SORC Suite C), there is a mailbox that is devoted to SGA Cabinet and Committee Chairs located in the corner closest to the window walls, and in the box marked Allocations, there will be a red binder. Within it, there will be a hole punch and a sign-up sheet. When turning in any BUC Fund applications, simply fill in the information on the sheet, punch out some holes in the application, and put it in the binder! This will ensure that no applications will get lost or misplaced, and it empowers you to choose the time you would like to meet up at

the BUC Fund meetings! This way everyone can benefit. If you have trouble finding it, just ask a Senator in the office! They will be able to help you, and it will be a good chance to meet someone who represents you!

Finally, I will note that our process has shifted from a one week to a two week process. The applications are due on a Thursday, the BUC Fund Committee meeting is the next Monday, and then the final Senate meeting on BUC Fund comes the week after the committee meeting. While this may seem somewhat lengthy, it helps the Senate to stay informed, helping them to make better decisions in the BUC Fund meetings. In the end, we hope this new process will make BUC Fund meetings shorter and less stressful for all involved, especially you.

In closing, let me say I am excited to be serving you in my new position, and I hope that if you have any questions or suggestions about BUC Fund that you will feel comfortable contacting me. I will do all I can to help you in this process because, as the SGA, we want your events to get funded and succeed greatly on this campus. You are what makes ETSU great, and for the SGA and me especially, we are privileged to have a part in your success. Thus, good luck this year in all of your endeavors, and I hope to see your name soon on an application in the BUC Fund! Go Bucs! (NOTE: The deadline for the next round of applications will be September 26th!)

Sincerely,

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