



**ETSU Student Government Association**  
*Secretary of Allocations*

Leaders of Student Organizations at ETSU,

My name is Gabe Bolling, 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 this semester. My predecessor made a few changes to the BUC Fund that I will continue, including the new application process. Since these were relatively new changes, confusion over the additions may occur for organizations in upcoming BUC Fund sessions. I would like to help alleviate those challenges for the remainder of the academic year.

First, regarding the application process, a few years ago the executive branch of the Student Government Association expanded the time frame for the application process. This posed some issues for the organization in the sense that it left the organizations unknowing of whether or not they would be funded for an extensive time period. This can be both stressful and difficult for organizations working with a limited amount of time. With that being said the executive team for the SGA has decided to shorten the time frame, to minimize time left unsure about funding. From now on applications will be due on Tuesday's at 4, organizations will meet with the Buc-Fund Committee the following Thursday at **5:30 P.M.** instead of the previous 4pm time slot, due to my previous obligations. Once that has taken place, the Senate will meet, discuss the applications, and make an official vote on whether or not to fund the following Tuesday. A representative from your organization **must** attend.

In the Fall, my predecessor took steps to make the submission of BUC Fund applications easier. In front of the SGA Office (SORC Suite C), there is a mailbox marked as "Buc-Fund application drop box" located in front of the door to the SGA Office beside many of the other SGA applications. Posted near the drop box will be a sign-up sheet, when turning in any BUC Fund applications, simply fill in the information on the sheet 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! Please, do not be afraid to speak to your senators and other SGA representatives!

Finally, I will note the only major difference in services provided by my predecessors and myself, is that I will be having an official posted office hour, **every Wednesday from 3 P.M. until 4 P.M. every week**. I hope by doing this it will give applying organizations someone to speak to in person and ask direct questions. Feel free to bring in your applications for questions and to review it with me. My duties as Secretary of Allocations is not to decide on whether or not an organization will or will not be funded. My job is to stay impartial, and give the organizations every resource they need or could want to be successful in the Buc-Fund process. This is the first step in my mind to providing you, as an organizational leader, the keys to a successful and seamless experience with our SGA and our Buc-Fund.

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 February 3<sup>rd</sup>!)

Sincerely,

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