

STUDENT REPRESENTATION ON THE SCHOOL BOARD

Eligibility Requirements

The eligibility requirements for a student representative are:

1. To be a student in good standing with passing grades in every class, regularly attending the district's high school and enrolled in grades eleven or twelve;
2. To maintain a 2.5 minimum grade point average;
3. To have demonstrated prior involvement in school, extra-curricular, and/or community-based activities, positive community citizenship, and
4. To be willing to commit the necessary time to attend the regular board meetings including board conferences, and to perform the duties and responsibilities of a student representative. Student attendance at special board meetings will normally be optional.

Guidelines for Student Representation on the School Board

1. A student representative will serve on the School Board from the student body.
2. Student representatives are selected by the School Board.
3. Student representatives do not have official voting powers. They are encouraged to participate in the regular board meeting and to have their votes recorded in the minutes, but their votes are not official and they may not participate in Executive Sessions or in personnel matters.

Expectations for Student Representatives

1. To gather input about issues facing the board and to communicate to students about the activities of the board;
2. To be bound by all applicable rules and regulations pertaining to the elected board members;
3. To maintain regular school attendance, appropriate conduct and grade point average;
4. To receive materials distributed to board members, with the exception of materials relating to executive/closed sessions, individual students, employees and other confidential matters;
5. To represent the board in a professional manner when engaged in board work, including appropriate attire at board functions, e.g. casual business dress for board meetings.
6. Interested students need to possess a desire to be in a leadership role. They will be asked to serve as a liaison between the School Board and the student body. To do this, they must be able to elicit input and feedback from the entire student body.

Process to Appoint Student Representatives to the School Board

1. Students interested in serving on the board need to complete an application. Then they must write a letter to the School Board stating why they wish to serve. Students who serve on student council and/or class officers are preferred. Letters are due at the Superintendent's Office by a specified date.
2. The School Board will appoint a selection team to interview selected students. Interviews will take place in September. A nomination will be sent to the School Board for consideration in October.

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