

Policy Statement #1200 (Administration) of the Board of Education Regarding the Selection and Service of the Student Member of the Calvert County Board of Education

I. Purpose

- A. To affirm the position of Student Member of the Calvert County Board of Education as established by the Annotated Code of Maryland
- B. To define the role and responsibilities of the Student Member of the Calvert County Board of Education
- C. To institute a process by which the Student Member is selected for office

II. Definition

- A. Administrative Session – When a public body recesses an open meeting into a meeting that is not open to the public to administer: a law of the state; a law of a political subdivision of the state; or a rule, regulation, or bylaw of a public body
- B. Closed Meeting – A meeting which is closed to the public and media by a majority vote of the Board of Education in order to discuss any issue permitted under General Provisions Article § 3-305
- C. Meeting – When the Calvert County Board of Education convenes a majority of its members for the consideration or transaction of Calvert County Public Schools business
- D. Open Meeting – A meeting of the Board of Education where decisions regarding public business are made, discussed, and open to the public
- E. Public Business – when the Board of Education is acting in its legislative, quasi-legislative, or advisory capacity
- F. Student Member – An 11th or 12th grade student in one of the Calvert County public high schools elected to serve on the Board of Education subject to the terms and limitations published in the Annotated Code of Maryland and in Board of Education policy

III. Policy Statement

- A. The Calvert County Board of Education recognizes the value of hearing student perspectives on matters coming before the Board. In order to encourage and facilitate this process, the Board affirms the position of Student Member of the Calvert County Board of Education as established by the Annotated Code of Maryland. The student is a non-voting member of the Board; however, the student may cast a vote on matters coming before the Board, the vote will be recorded in the minutes, but the vote will not count in the determination for action.
- B. The Student Member will attend as many scheduled open meetings as possible and shall have the right to sit with the Board and to voice student perspectives on matters coming

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before the Board. Unless invited to attend by an affirmative vote of a majority of the Board, the student may not attend closed meetings or administrative sessions.

- C. The Student Member shall be a regularly enrolled student in one of the Calvert County public high schools and shall meet the criteria and be selected in accordance with state law and procedures adopted by the Calvert County Board of Education.

IV. Delegation of Authority

- A. The Superintendent is directed to develop administrative procedures to implement this policy in accordance with all local policies and local, state and federal laws and regulations and to communicate this policy and accompanying procedures to all relevant parties.

V. Exceptions

- A. There are no exceptions to this policy. However, the Board, by majority vote, may temporarily suspend all or part of this policy. Suspension of all or part of this policy, however, in no way relieves the Board of its obligation to comply with the pertinent local, state and federal laws and regulations or the rules and regulations of the Maryland State Board of Education and the Maryland State Department of Education.

VI. Review

- A. This policy will be reviewed at the end of four years, or sooner, if approved by majority vote of the Board of Education in public session.

VII. Effective Date

- A. This policy is effective August 12, 2021.

Citations

State Law: General Provisions Article §§ 3-305, and 3-103 of the Annotated Code of Maryland;
Education Article § 3-301(h) of the Annotated Code of Maryland

State Reg.:

Federal Law:

Adm. Reg.:

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