

Policy Type: Governance Culture

GC-14

School Board Student Representatives

The Board recognizes the value of communicating with students and receiving their input and perspective. To foster this relationship with the students, the Board will seat up to two student representatives to sit with the Board as non-voting advisors.

- 1. A student representative will be selected by the Board to serve a term of one year, or until their successor is selected, with the term beginning July first.
 - a. A student representative must be enrolled as a student in the District.
 - b. Selection will be by the Board from among those students who submit a letter of intent accompanied by parental permission and letters of endorsement from two adults, at least one of whom is a faculty member or school administrator.
 - c. Vacancies will be filled in the same manner, with temporary appointments made by the Board.
 - d. Student representatives serve at the discretion of the Board and may be replaced as deemed appropriate by the Board.
 - e. Student representatives will receive 0.5 elective credit for each semester of service.
- 2. Student representatives will be expected to:
 - a. Maintain academic standards indicating that participation as a student representative does not impair their academic progress.
 - b. Attend all regular Board meetings and at least 60% of special and work/study meetings of the Board. The student representative will not attend executive sessions.
 - c. When feasible, attend conferences, workshops, Washington School Directors Association and other events attended by a majority of Board members. Associated expenses for such participation will be covered by the District.
 - d. Have the same access as Board members to documents in preparation for Board meetings and be included in appropriate communications directed to the entire Board.
 - e. Fully participate in Board deliberations as if a member of the Board, with the exception that student representatives will not vote or make motions.
 - f. Participate with Board committees at the discretion of the Board.
 - g. Serve as a liaison between the Board and both the student body associations and individual students, reporting to and conferring with individual students and with student councils as those councils deem appropriate.
 - h. Have school absences excused when duties as a student representative conflict with regular school time.
- 3. Nothing in this policy is intended to preclude or discourage other students from attending and addressing the Board in the same manner as any other members of the community.

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Monitoring Method: Board self-assessment

Monitoring Frequency: Annually