

CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

<u>Purpose</u>	1
It is the policy of the School Board to have two Student Representatives and one Alternate serve as non-voting members of the board for the purpose of:	2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Providing a two-way communications linkage with the student body. b. Helping elected board members be aware of student views regarding issues and policies affecting the student body. c. Working constructively with members of the board, the Superintendent and building administration to provide quality education for the students of the district. 	3
<u>Eligibility</u>	4
The Student Representatives shall be:	5
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Any junior or senior fully enrolled and regularly attending Catasauqua High School and having been a resident of the Catasauqua Area School District for one (1) year prior to his/her election as Student Representative. b. Under the sponsorship of the Student Council. c. Cognizant that he/she represents all students not just a small group. d. In good academic standing as well as follow the rules of conduct established for Student Council members. 	6
<u>Responsibilities</u>	7
The Student Representatives shall agree to uphold the following responsibilities:	8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Assume the role of Student Representative of all students within the school district and serve as a non-voting participant of the School Board. b. Be cognizant of the role of the School Board as a policy-making body. c. Refer complaints to the proper school authorities and abstain from individual counsel and action. 	9
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- d. Provide feedback on the outcome of board meetings to the Student Council for report back to the full student body.
- e. Attend the regular board meetings on a regular basis and may attend other public meetings and workshops.
- f. The Student Representatives will attend all applicable meetings. When a representative cannot attend, the alternate representative will attend.
- g. Not attend executive or disciplinary action sessions of the board. When such matters are considered, the Student Representative will be excused from the proceedings.
- h. Receive the agenda, which is sent to all board members. Personnel materials, legal opinions and negotiations materials may be excluded.
- i. Be voting members of the high school Student Council if not already a member of the Council.
- j. Communicate to the board any proper concerns of other students.
- k. Communicate to the respective student groups through the Student Council all policies, actions, and decisions that are appropriate concerns of the students.
- l. Serve on assigned committees as deemed appropriate by the board.
- m. Attend orientation programs as provided by the board.
- n. Present a brief monthly oral report to the board and be aware of basic parliamentary procedures.

Term of Service

The Student Representatives and Alternate shall serve for a period of one (1) year, July through June.

The School Board and/or the Student Council may subject the Student Representatives and/or Alternate to recall when it is found that an individual does not fulfill the aforementioned responsibilities.

Selection Procedure

- a. Each spring any junior or senior in good academic standing may petition to be included on the ballot for Student Representative for the School Board. All petitions shall be submitted to the Student Council Advisor, Catasauqua High School Principal and the Superintendent for ballot consideration. Criteria considered for being placed on the ballot are noted above. Successful petitioners shall be advised by the Superintendent or High School Principal of the Student Representatives’ role and responsibilities, declare their availability to be or not to be a candidate, and if applicable, be placed on the ballot.

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- b. Following the petition procedure each spring the high school Student Council membership will elect by secret ballot the Student Representatives and Alternate when elections for Student Council officers are held.
- c. The two (2) candidates with the highest vote totals shall be designated the Student Representative to the Board, and the student with the third highest vote total shall be designated the Alternate.

Annual Evaluation

The School Board shall annually evaluate the effectiveness of the Student Representative program and make recommendations for improvement and/or continuance.

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