

## **Students on Governing Boards**

### **Purpose**

1. To serve as a liaison between the governing body of the school district and the high school students.
2. To provide insight and support to the Board's understanding of student issues and perspectives.
3. Represent their high school in accordance with the following qualifications, selection procedures and responsibilities.

### **Term of Office**

1. One or two Student Representatives will be selected by Ocean Beach School Board in the spring of the year to serve on the Board for the following year.
2. Each Student Representative will serve a one-year term beginning in July and concluding in June. After the Student Representative is selected they will receive an orientation session provided by the Superintendent (or designee) and a member of the Board of Directors.
3. In the event of a vacancy during the school year, a student will be selected from qualified applicants to serve the remaining term of the school year.

### **Qualifications**

1. The student must be entering his/her junior or senior at the time of selection.
2. The student must be in good academic standing (2.5 or higher) and maintain good academic standing throughout his or her term.
3. The student will be expected to maintain personal standards of behavior appropriate to participation in student activities.
4. Selected students should also have a history of leadership and/or involvement in extra-curricular and civic activities.
5. The student must be willing to convey student opinion to the Board of Directors and report Board deliberations and actions to the student body.

### **Application Process**

1. Students will submit a complete application to the Board of Directors on the Wednesday of the second week of May.
2. Students must obtain approval signatures from parent or guardian and high school Principal.
3. Students must obtain three references, at least two of which must be from teachers, coaches, club advisors and/or administrators.
4. Selected applicants will be interviewed by one or more members of the Board, the Superintendent, high school Principal and departing Student Board Representative.

### **Responsibilities of the Student Representative**

Student Representatives will:

1. Adhere to all the rules and regulations pertaining to Board members.
2. Attend all regular meetings and Board work sessions.
3. Be on-time and not leave until Board goes to executive session.
4. Review the Board packet and reading materials prior to the meeting.
5. Participate in discussions, but may not vote.
6. Provide reports to the Board as requested.

7. Report Board deliberations and actions to their high school as applicable.
8. Help select and orient new Student Representatives.

### **Responsibilities of the Superintendent and Board of Directors**

The Superintendent and Board of Directors will:

1. Establish a High School Advisor for the Student Representative.
2. Meet with and provide an orientation to the Student Representative at the start of the term to explain expectations, responsibilities and participation.
3. Meet with the Student Representative quarterly to assess the experience and plan for future activities.

### **Removal**

1. The Student Representative serves at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
2. The Board may remove a Student Representative for failure to fulfill his or her duties, failure to maintain academic standard, or for behaviors that the Board deems unacceptable as a member of the Board of Directors or embarrassing to the School District.

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