

Student Representation to the School Board

Purpose:

Student nonvoting representation to the Board is intended to provide a better understanding of the needs and concerns of students toward the ultimate goal of improving the educational program. Additionally, this participation will provide a practical governmental experience for those students selected.

Selection:

Two students (a present sophomore and a present junior) shall be chosen, as determined by the Conestoga Student Council, prior to June 1 of each year to serve as their representatives to the School Board for the following school year. If chosen representatives are unable to fulfill appointments adequately or, as determined by the high school principal, maintain a satisfactory grade point average, then an alternate shall be chosen by the Student Council to replace that individual for the remainder of the school year.

Structure:

Student representatives shall attend all public Board meetings, participate in discussions as appropriate, and be provided with non-confidential agenda materials. Participation in other meetings or working sessions will be by invitation of the Board President. However, student representatives shall be excluded from, and during, discussion of personnel items, including, but not limited to, employee performance, student discipline hearings, negotiations and grievances as well as consideration of the sale or transfer of property or any other matters permitted to be discussed by the Board in executive session.

Responsibilities:

1. The student representatives shall serve as a representative of the student body both seeking and reflecting fellow students' concerns and positions on school matters.
2. The student representatives shall have their opinions heard and considered during public discussions of agenda items as well as in other meetings to which they have been invited by the Board President.
3. Student representatives will be provided, in advance of all public Board meetings, with copies of agendas and non-confidential materials; opportunity will be provided to ask the Superintendent about agenda items.
4. The student representatives will be provided copies of official minutes of Board meetings.

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