

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Purpose

1. The purpose of the student representatives to the Eastmont School District Board of Directors is to serve as liaison between the governing body of the school district and Eastmont School District students.
2. Two (2) high school student representatives will serve as liaisons to the Board of Directors. The student representatives will provide insight and support to the Board's understanding of student issues and perspectives.
3. The student representatives will represent the Eastmont School District in accordance with the following qualifications, selection procedures, and responsibilities.

Term of Office

1. The representatives will be selected in the spring of the year for the following year.
2. The term of office will be for two school years, beginning in September and concluding in June.
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 for Application

1. The student must be in grade 11 or 12 during their term as student representative and attend high school in the Eastmont School District at least half-time (.5 FTE).
2. The student must be in proper academic standing equivalent to participation in athletics or other student activities and maintain proper 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. The student must be willing to convey student opinion to the Board of Directors and report Board deliberations and actions to the student body.
5. If the selected student representative is not a member of the Student Council, the student representative will become a member of the Student Leadership Team.

Application Process

1. Students will submit a complete Student Representative Packet to the High School Principal or ASB Advisor.
2. Students must obtain approval signatures from parents and the High School principal.
3. Students must submit two (2) reference letters, at least one from a teacher or administrator.
4. Students must submit 2 references, one from another other student and one from a community member.
5. Selected applicants will be interviewed by one or more members of the Board, the Superintendent, and the senior Student Representative. The committee will recommend student representatives to the Board of Directors for approval. Recommendations from the High School Principal and High School ASB Advisor will be considered.

Removal

1. The student representative serves at the discretion of the Board of Directors.
2. The Board may remove the student representative for failure to fulfill his or her duties, for failure to maintain academic standards, or for behaviors that the Board deems unacceptable as a member of the Board of Directors or embarrassing to the school district.

Responsibilities of the Student Representative

The student representative will:

1. Adhere to all the rules and regulations pertaining to Board members.
2. Attend all regular school board meetings which occur while school is in session. Since regular board meetings occur during the evening hours of a school night, the Board of Directors may grant permission for the student representative to leave a meeting before the conclusion if the student report has been given. Regular school board meetings are typically held on the second and fourth Monday of every month at 5:30 PM in the Board Room at the Eastmont School District Administrative Building and other District locations as listed on the Board Meeting Calendar.
3. Attend special meetings or study sessions if requested, but not Executive Sessions.
4. Review the Board of Directors board packet and reading materials prior to all regular Board meetings.
5. Participate in discussion at regular open meetings of the Board when applicable. However, the student representative may not make any motions or vote.

6. Provide reports to the Board during the agenda item titled "Student Representative Board Report." The reports will include student activities, topics, and concerns from the student body to apprise the Board.
7. Refrain from committing the Student Council to any position or action that has not been previously approved by the Student Council.
8. Report Board deliberations and actions to the student body as applicable.
9. Orient a new student representative.
10. Participate in Board training sessions, when invited, such as the WSSDA conference, legislative conference, and Day on the Hill. When these sessions occur on school days, student representatives will follow the established prearranged absence procedures at the high school.
11. The student representative will visit the student councils of Eastmont Junior High School and Sterling Junior High School at least once during the school year.
12. Participate in the Washington State legislative session where applicable to students and the school district by preparing a comment or testimony regarding a piece of legislation with the help of the Board legislative representative.

Responsibilities of the Superintendent and the Board of Directors

The Superintendent and the Board of Directors will:

1. Establish a board member as the advisor for the student representative.
2. Meet with the student representative and advisor at the beginning of the school year to review expectations, responsibilities, and participation.
3. Meet with the student representative quarterly to assess the experience and plan for future activities.

Elective Credit

1. Student representatives will receive .5 Elective Credit for each semester of successful Board service.