## **Student Board Members**

The Board of Education believes that engaging the student body and seeking its input and feedback regarding the District's educational programs and activities are vital to achieving the District's mission of educating District students. To enhance communication between the Board and the student body and to encourage student involvement in District affairs, the Board shall include one student Board member from each high school selected by procedures approved by the Board.

## Roles and Responsibilities of Student Board Members

The term of a student Board member shall be one year, commencing on July 1 of each year. A student Board member shall have the right to attend all Board meetings except closed sessions. (Education Code 35012)

A student Board member shall be seated with other members of the Board. In addition, a student Board member shall be recognized at Board meetings as a full member, shall receive all materials presented to other Board members except those related to closed sessions, and may participate in questioning witnesses and discussing issues. (Education Code 35012)

## Student Board Member Development

As necessary, the Superintendent or designee may, at District expense, provide learning opportunities to student Board members, through trainings, workshops, and conferences, to enhance their knowledge, understanding, and performance of their Board responsibilities.

The Superintendent or designee may periodically provide an orientation for student Board member candidates to give them an understanding of the responsibilities and expectations of Board service.

Legal Reference:

**EDUCATION CODE** 

33000.5 Appointment of student members to State Board of education

35012 Board members; number, election and terms; pupil members

GOVERNMENT CODE

3540-3549.3 Educational Employment Relations Act

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