



REGULATIONS

SUBJECT: Student Trustees

1. A student must be in full-time attendance in the senior division of one of the Board's secondary schools, or be an exceptional pupil in a special education program for whom the Board has reduced the length of the instructional program on each school day under subsection 3(3) of Regulation 298 of the Revised Regulations of Ontario, 1990 (Operation of Schools – General) made under the act, so long as the pupil would be a full-time pupil if the program had not been reduced, and be at least 16 years of age.
2. The term of office begins on August 1 of the year in which he or she is elected and ends on July 31 of the following year.
3. Student Trustees will be elected each year by April 30.
4. In any one year, one Student Trustee will be elected from secondary schools in Sarnia Lambton and one will be elected from secondary schools in Chatham-Kent.
5. The names of the Student Trustees will be brought forward for Board approval no later than the last Board meeting in May.
6. Students will be disqualified from participating if they:
 - (a) cease to be students;
 - (b) do not maintain appropriate academic standards;
 - (c) are recommended for dismissal by their principal;
 - (d) violate any of the Administrative Procedures.
7. The Trustee selected to sit on the Student/Board Liaison Committee will act as the Student Trustee mentor.
8. Student Trustees will be eligible to receive credit toward the Community Involvement Activity Requirements of the Ontario Secondary School Diploma.
9. Student Trustees will:
 - (a) be invited to attend all Board Meetings and may attend any committee meetings in which they have an interest;
 - (b) be seated at the Board table and be able to participate in all Board deliberations within the public domain as well as provide input;
 - (c) be entitled to have their non-binding vote recorded in the Board Minutes if they request it;
 - (d) be able to introduce agenda items as per the Board's Procedural By-laws;

- (e) be entitled to suggest a Motion on any matter at a Meeting of the Board or of one of its committees on which the student sits and if no member of the Board moves the suggested Motion, the record shall show the suggested Motion.
 - (f) be entitled to attend meetings closed to the public with the exception of those defined in Subsection 55 (5) of the Education Act b) the disclosure of intimate, personal or financial information in respect to a member of the Board or committee, an employee or prospective employee of the Board or a pupil or his or her parent or guardian.
 - (g) be reimbursed for transportation costs to and from Board Meetings, and for other eligible expenses incurred in the performance of their duties according to Board Regulations R-BU-502 and R-BU-502.1
 - (h) be encouraged to attend the Ontario Public School Boards' Association conference;
 - (i) be entitled to the same professional development budget as elected Trustees.
10. Student Trustees will receive an honorarium in the amount of \$2,500.00 as outlined in the Ministry of Education Regulation 07/07.

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Reference: Ontario Regulation 461/97
Bill 78, Regulation 07/07 – Student Trustees
Board Policy and Administrative Procedures
