STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

The Board of Education believes it is important to seek out and consider students' ideas, viewpoints and reactions to the educational program. In order to provide student input and involvement, the Board shall include four student Board members selected in accordance with procedures approved by the Board.

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

Student Board members shall be seated with regular Board members and be recognized at meetings as full members. They may participate in questioning witnesses and discussing issues and shall receive all materials presented to Board members except those related to closed sessions. (Education Code 35012)

Student Board members may be reimbursed for mileage but shall not receive compensation for attendance at Board meetings. (Education Code 35012)

Student Board members may cast preferential votes on all matters except those subject to closed session discussion. Preferential votes shall be cast prior to the official Board vote and shall not affect the final numerical outcome of a vote. Preferential votes shall be recorded in the Board meeting minutes. (Education Code 35012)

Legal Reference:

<u>EDUCATION CODE</u> 33000.5 Appointment of student members to State Board of Education 35012 Board members; number, election and terms; pupil members <u>GOVERNMENT CODE</u> 3540-3549.3 Meeting and Negotiating in Public Educational Employment

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