

Board Bylaws

BB 9150(a)

STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS

In order to enhance communication **and collaboration** between the Governing Board and the student body and to **teachengage** students ~~in the importance of civic involvement~~~~district's educational programs and operations~~, the Board **supportsencourages** the **participationinvolvement** of high school students in district governance. ~~The inclusion of one or more student representatives on the Board shall be ordered upon receipt of a student petition in accordance with Education Code 35012 or may be ordered at any time at the discretion of the Board.~~

Petition

High school students may submit a petition to the Board requesting the appointment of at least one student Board member. ~~This petition, or a separate petition submitted after students have been appointed to the Board, also may include a request to allow preferential voting for student Board members. (Education Code 35012)~~ (Education Code 35012)

~~Preferential voting means a formal expression of opinion that is recorded in the minutes and cast before the official vote of the Board. (Education Code 35012)~~

To ~~qualifybe eligible~~ for Board consideration ~~by the Board~~, the petition for student representation ~~or the petition for preferential voting~~ shall contain the signatures of no less than 500 regularly enrolled high school students, or no less than 10 percent of the number of regularly enrolled high school students, whichever is less. (Education Code 35012)

Within 60 days of receiving a student petition, or at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting if no meeting is held within those 60 days, the Board shall order the inclusion of ~~at least one~~a student member on the Board. ~~or shall act to allow preferential voting for the student Board member, as applicable.~~ (Education Code 35012)

~~Once established, the student Board member position shall remain in effect until the Board, by majority vote of all voting Board members, approves a motion to eliminate the position. (Education Code 35012)~~

Election

Selection of Student Board Member

Student Board member positions~~members~~ shall be ~~filled~~~~elected~~ by a vote of~~the~~ students enrolled in the high school(s) ~~or high schools~~ in accordance with procedures prescribed by the Board. (Education Code 35012)

(cf. 0410 - Nondiscrimination in District Programs and Activities)

(cf. 5121 - Grades/Evaluation of Student Achievement)

(cf. 6145 - Extracurricular and Cocurricular~~Co-curricular~~ Activities)

The term of student Board member(s) shall be one year, commencing on July 1. ([Education Code 35012](#))

Role and Responsibilities of Student Board Members

~~Student Board member(s) The term of a student Board member shall be one year, commencing on July 1. (Education Code 35012)~~

~~A student Board member~~ shall have the right to attend all Board meetings except closed (executive) sessions. (Education Code 35012)

(cf. 9321 - Closed Session Purposes and Agendas)

~~All A student Board member shall be recognized at Board meetings as a full member and shall be seated with other members of the Board. In addition, a student Board member shall receive all~~ materials presented to ~~other~~ Board members, except those related to closed sessions, shall be presented to student Board members at the same time they are presented to voting Board members. Student Board member(s) shall also be invited to attend staff briefings or be provided with a separate staff briefing within the same timeframe as the briefing of other Board members.~~and he/she may participate in questioning witnesses and discussing issues.~~ (Education Code 35012)

(cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)

Student Board member(s) shall be recognized at Board meetings as full member(s), shall be seated with other members of the Board, and shall be allowed to participate in questioning witnesses and discussing issues.

~~When a student petition has requested preferential voting rights for student Board members or when the Board has granted preferential voting rights, a student Board member may~~ ([Education Code 35012](#))

Student Board member(s) shall be allowed to cast preferential votes on all matters except those subject to closed session discussion. Preferential voting means a formal expression of opinion that is recorded in the minutes and cast before the official vote of the Board. Preferential votes shall not affect the final numerical outcome of a vote. (Education Code 35012)

(cf. 9324 - Minutes and Recordings)

~~Student A student~~ Board member(s) may make motions that may be acted upon by the Board, except on matters dealing with employer-employee relations pursuant to Government Code 3540-3549.3. (Education Code 35012)

A student Board member shall not be liable for any acts of the Board. (Education Code 35012)

(cf. 9323.2 - Actions by the Board)

~~Student~~~~A student~~ Board member(s) shall be entitled to be reimbursed for mileage to the same extent as other members of the Board but shall not receive compensation for attendance at Board meetings. (Education Code 35012)

(cf. 3350 - Travel Expenses)

(cf. 9250 - Remuneration, Reimbursement and Other Benefits)

Student Board Member Development

The ~~As necessary, the~~ Superintendent or designee ~~may~~**shall**, at district expense, provide learning opportunities to student Board members; through trainings, workshops, and conferences, **such as those offered by the California School Boards Association and other organizations**, to enhance their knowledge, understanding, and performance of their Board responsibilities.

(cf. 9240 - Board Training)

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.

Elimination of Position

Once established, the student Board member position shall continue to exist until the Board, by majority vote of all voting Board members, approves a motion to eliminate the position. Such a motion shall be listed as a public agenda item for a Board meeting prior to the motion being voted upon. ([Education Code 35012](#))

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

33000.5 Appointment of student member~~members~~ to State Board of Education

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

35160 Authority of governing boards

GOVERNMENT CODE

3540-3549.3 Educational Employment Relations Act

Management Resources:

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

California Association of Student Councils: <http://www.casc.net>

California Association of Student Leaders: <http://www.caslboard.com>

National School Boards Association: <http://www.nsba.org>

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