

STUDENT REPRESENTATION ON THE BOARD

PROCEDURE

4.1 Student Senate

A student senate, composed of up to eighteen representatives in total, from secondary schools within the jurisdiction of the Board, shall be formed and meet a minimum of four times within their term.

4.2 The Student Senate:

4.2.1 shall consist of two representatives from each secondary school unless otherwise provided for within this procedure.

4.2.2 shall require students, in order to be eligible for this role, to meet the following criteria:

a) Students must be sixteen years of age or older and entering or enrolled in year 3 or 4 as a full-time student at the secondary school or 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.

b) Students should have achieved in a previous school year and maintained a minimum average of 70% in all subjects.

c) Students should have demonstrated an interest and prior involvement in school and/or community-based activities. 4.2.3 is a committee of student representatives responsible for the election of two students from the student senate for appointment by the Board as student trustees for Board consideration by no later than the regular May Board meeting preceding the term of the student trustees.

4.2.4 shall be elected on or May 1 by a method decided upon by each secondary school's student council.

4.2.5 shall elect the two student trustees at the first meeting to be held not later than April 30.

4.2.6 shall assist the student trustees in determining student issues, gathering student opinion and communicating with students.

4.2.7 shall serve for the term of June 1 through to May 31.