

Policy

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Somerville Board of Education values the ideas and input of the student body in the operation of the district and shall have student representation at its deliberations in public meetings.

- A. Two representatives (one from Somerville, one from Branchburg) to the board of education shall be chosen by the Superintendent in consultation with the high school principal. The first termed Branchburg representative shall begin his/her term as a senior. The second termed Branchburg representative shall begin his/her term as a junior and remain as a representative for one year. The Somerville representative shall begin his/her term as a junior and remain as a representative for two years. The announcement of any vacated representative position shall be made in September in time for the chosen representatives to participate in the regular board meeting in October;
- B. Student representatives are welcome to participate in all public deliberations of the board but will not vote on issues;
- C. Student representatives will be sent agendas the Monday before the board of education meeting. Related materials may be provided at the discretion of the president of the board and/or the superintendent;
- D. When discussing issues at board meetings student representatives are encouraged to state whether they are expressing their own opinions or those of the students they represent.

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Key Words

Student representatives, Board Representatives

Legal References: N.J.S.A. 18A:11-1 General mandatory powers and duties

Possible

<u>Cross References:</u>	*1000/1010	Concepts and roles in community relations; goals and objectives
	*6000/6010	Concepts and roles in instruction; goals and objectives
	*6140	Curriculum adoption
	*6161.1	Guidelines for evaluation and selection of instructional materials
	7000	Concepts and roles in construction, remodeling and renovation
	*9000	Role of the board
	*9311	Formulation, adoption, amendment of policies
	*9312	Formulation, adoption, amendment of bylaws
	*9313	Formulation, adoption, amendment of administrative regulations
	*9314	Suspension of policies, bylaws and regulations

*Indicates policy is included in the Critical Policy Reference Manual.