

**A Message to Current High School
Sophomores from the Prescott
School Board President**

The value of student participation on the school boards has been recognized by school districts for some time,

This announcement begins the process of selecting Student Board Members for the Prescott School District.

Two students will represent the student voice for the Prescott School Board, one Junior and one Senior. Perhaps you will be that person!

Sincerely,

Karen Tonne, President
Prescott School District
Board of Directors
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District Superintendent**

In a dynamic educational system, it is vital that students—the future of Prescott and Washington State—are well represented and have a voice in their education. The Student Member on the Prescott School Board holds a unique role representing all students. He or she is responsible for providing a student voice to the School Board, conveying student concerns, and informing students of Board activities.

The student school board position is not simply a token representation of the student voice: the Student Member is an important member, thus directly contributing to decisions on vital issues relevant to all K-12 students in the Prescott School District. The Student Member is the connection between the Board and the classroom. This important perspective enables the Board to better understand the implications of its policy decisions.

The responsibilities of being a student board member coupled with the overall learning experience make for a genuinely outstanding experience. If you value student voice, are willing and able to make a substantial time commitment to the Board, and are committed to making a difference in Prescott's education system, you are a strong potential candidate. I urge you to apply for this vitally important position.

Sincerely,

Mr. Brett Cox
Superintendent
Prescott School District

**Student Board Member
Prescott School Board**

- Interested students who will be high school Sophomores in good standing during the next school year are invited to apply for the position of Student Member on the Prescott School Board. The student who is appointed to the position by Board of Directors:
- Serve a two-year term
- Attend all Prescott School Board meetings held during that time.

Attention, High School Sophomores

For a limited time, the Prescott School Board is accepting applications for the Student Member Position for next year.

One student will be selected through the process described in this brochure and will be appointed to serve on the Prescott School Board during his or her Junior and Senior year.

Description of the Position

Eligibility. Any student enrolled in a Prescott High School who will be a junior or senior in good standing the following school year.

Time requirements. The estimated time required for the Student Member will be at least one evening meeting every month to attend regular Prescott School District Board meetings, usually in Prescott. Each student member will need sufficient time to study the agenda materials in advance of the meeting; and spend additional time handling other Board-related business.

Application Procedures

Before completing the application, please read the description of the position carefully. Each prospective applicant should fully understand the time requirement that serving on the Prescott School Board would add to his or her workload and schedule. If you qualify for the Student Member position and wish to apply, here's what you need to do to complete your application package:

- Complete the application form.
- Include no more than three letters of recommendation. At least one letter must be from a current teacher, and from a school administrator, and one personal reference. All the letters should be from individuals who know you personally and include comments on your academic and leadership abilities, as well as the writers' perspectives regarding you as a potential member of the Prescott School Board. (If a writer wishes to send a letter directly to the Superintendent's Office, please be sure that the letter is received by the application deadline.)
- Include a copy of your most recent transcript
- Include supplemental items, such as news clippings, if you wish
- Submit all materials at one time, except for letters of recommendation that the writers wish to submit separately

Please address your application to:

Prescott School Board
Student Member Application
P.O. Box 65
207 South A Street
Prescott, WA 99348

If you have any questions, please talk with the Principal or Superintendent.

Summary of the Selection and Appointment Process

Initial screening. The Prescott School Board will consider all applications and select candidates from among the applicants beginning in March for the following school year.

Presentation and selection of candidates. The selected semifinalists will make individual presentations to the Prescott School Board about their interest in, and qualifications for, the student member position.

Interview. Each of the final candidates will be interviewed by the Prescott School Board. The decision of the Prescott School Board is final.

Appointment. Following the interviews, one of the finalists will be appointed by the Prescott School Board to be the Student Member.

