

Bylaw

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**Board of Education
Nutley**

PROGRAM

BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

Student Representatives to the Board of Education

In order to increase the communication between students and the board of education and to foster the understanding of the student body with regard to issues and concerns that affect the process of education in the school district, the board invites a representative of the student body to attend regular meetings of the board and to contribute to discussions.

The representative will be selected by the Superintendent in consultation with high school principal with one other student as an alternate. The "term of office" of the student representative will be one year in length.

The student representative will be entitled to sit at the board table and to participate in discussions at all public board meetings on all items of the agenda. The student representative will hold a nonvoting position on the board and will not attend closed conference sessions.

The student representative will be expected to adhere to the bylaws and policies adopted by the board of education as they affect the function of the representative. It is understood that this obligation includes compliance with the code of ethics promulgated by the New Jersey School Boards Association as adopted by this board.

Other students may also be invited to committees of the Board as nonvoting members. The procedures for selection of the student committee members shall be the responsibility of the Superintendent who shall consult with the high school principal and the student government as needed.

GUIDELINES

The representative and alternate of each high school will be subject to the following guidelines:

- A. may attend all open work sessions. The representative will take part in appropriate discussions prior to formal voting by the Board. Alternate will participate when the representative is absent.
- B. Will be excused when the Board conducts personnel and contract business.
- C. May give an opinion or indicate consensus but not be part of the Board's formal voting.
- D. Will attend an orientation provided by New Jersey School Boards Association.
- E. The term of office shall be one year, corresponding with the term of office of Student Council President.
- F. The student representative will not have access to records of other students or any other information to which the general public is not entitled, nor shall they disseminate same.

Student representatives are expected to adhere to all bylaws, policies and regulations of the Board in their role. The Board in no way relinquishes any responsibilities but rather adds to its membership a non-voting student representative(s) for the mutual benefit of the Board, student body, and the school district.