

**Policy 202.05: Student School Board Representatives****Status:** ADOPTED**Original Adopted Date:** 02/14/2019 | **Last Reviewed Date:** 07/10/2023 **Last Revised Date:**

The Board of Education believes it is important to seek out and consider student ideas, viewpoints, and opinions regarding the district's educational program. To provide student input, the Board shall include at least one (1) non-voting representative(s) from the student body.

Student school board representative eligibility and duties:

- The student school board representative shall be a full-time high school student in the district, elected by the student body, grades 9-12, and one alternate elected as well by the student body during May of the previous year the student is to serve on the board.
- The student school board representative shall participate in an orientation of board responsibilities and procedures as determined by the Superintendent;
- The student school board representative shall be eligible to participate in discussion, but not vote, at all regular board meetings held in open session;
- The student school board representative shall be responsible for communicating board decisions and information to the student body; and
- The student school board representative will be provided with and shall abide by all applicable sections of the Board Members' Code of Ethics.

The term of office shall be from:

- The first regular board meeting in September to the last regular board meeting in May; including any work sessions.

If the student school board representative is unable to attend a board meeting, the student school board representative must notify the Superintendent of the absence. A student school board representative who neglects his/her duties may be removed from the position at the discretion of the Board.

**NOTE: This is an optional policy.**

**NOTE: The Board should determine a process for how students may apply or be selected to be the student school board representative(s). While the specific process does not need to be detailed in policy, the Board should know and have decided upon a process. Options may include:**

- **An application process;**
- **Vote of the student body; or**
- **Student school board representative is a responsibility of the president or other officer of the student council.**

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ 21; 279.8.

**I.C. Iowa Code**

Iowa Code § 21

Iowa Code § 279.8

**Description**[Open Meetings](#)[Directors - General Rules - Bonds of Employees](#)

## Cross References

Code	Description
204	<a href="#">Code of Ethics (I, II)</a>
211	<a href="#">Open Meetings</a>