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BURLINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY F 28: Student Representatives on the School Board

Each year, one Burlington High School student will be selected to serve as student representative for a two year term on the School Board. This will result in two student representatives at all times, with terms overlapping by one year. The student terms will start when the new Board is seated in April and end two years later in March.

In February of each year, the student representative will be selected through an application process administered by the Burlington High School Principal. The emphasis in this process should be on making the application process accessible to all students. The final decision of who will be the student representative to the School Board will be made jointly by the High School Principal and the Superintendent. Diversity of the student members should be a consideration in this decision. It is recommended that the student selected be a sophomore when they start their term in April, and shall attend Board orientation and trainings.

The student representatives will participate in all School Board business except for that prohibited by law/Board Policy (voting and participation in certain executive sessions). Although the student representative to the School Board cannot cast an official vote, the student representative may cast an advisory vote. These votes will be recorded in the meeting minutes. Student representatives should have access to all materials (documents, emails, etc.) provided to School Board members, with the exception of executive session materials, including but not limited to employee and student disciplinary matters.

Each student representative should regularly attend committee meetings. Student representative committee assignments shall be made by the Board chair with student input.

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