## TOLLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS Tolland, Connecticut

BOARD POLICY REGARDING: Student Representative(s) to the Board

of Education

Number: 5190

Students

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The Tolland Board of Education believes students should have an opportunity through student representative(s) to provide input to the Board of Education. Student representative(s) will provide students, as clients of the educational system, a more effective voice in and at the decision-making level of the district.

The following procedures will be observed for the seating of student representative(s):

- 1. The student representative(s) will be from the high school Student Council selected by that group annually during the second week of June.
- 2. The student representative(s) will serve a one-year term, July 1 through June 30 and may be re-elected.
- 3. In order to qualify for this office, students must be sophomores, juniors or seniors and members in good standing of the student council.
- 4. After the student has been elected he/she will be given an orientation session by the Superintendent of Schools and an officer of the Board of Education.

## Student representative(s) shall:

- 1. Be able to attend all regular meetings of the Board of Education.
- 2. During said meetings, provide the Board with a report on student activities.
- 3. During said meetings, be able to speak on any issue on the agenda or motion before the Board.
- 4. Be able to recommend resolutions to the Chairperson prior to a meeting for the Board's consideration.
- 5. Receive copies of all regular meeting agendas, minutes, and other pertinent publications, excluding executive session materials.

- 6. Be expected to attend all regular meetings of the Board of Education. However, the Board recognizes that a student representative has school responsibilities, which may require a student representative to leave prior to adjournment.
- 7. Be accountable to the student body via the Student Council and consult with the group on a regular basis.

## Student representative(s) shall not:

- 1. Be able to cast an official vote on any motion or resolution.
- 2. Be allowed to attend executive sessions of the Board of Education.

Only those privileges enumerated shall be regarded specifically as such: any and all other powers and privileges that might be deemed appropriate for the student representative shall be decided upon by the Board of Education.