

POLICY

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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Responsible Office: Board of Education

Student Board Member Election

I. PURPOSE

To provide for electing the student member of the Board of Education

II. ISSUE

The Board of Education should provide a process for the orderly election of a student Board member.

III. POSITION

- A. All students in middle and high school in the Montgomery County Public Schools are eligible to vote in the election. To serve as a student member of the Board of Education, one must be a bona fide resident of Montgomery County and a junior or senior in high school.
- B. When more than two candidates file for election, a convention of delegates from each secondary school shall be convened to reduce the number of candidates to two.
- C. Funds will be provided to support the election process.

IV. DESIRED OUTCOME

To allow all middle and high school students the opportunity to elect the student member of the Board of Education.

V. IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGIES

- A. The superintendent will work with the Montgomery County Region (MCR) of the Maryland Association of Student Councils in order to improve methods used in the school to increase student participation, including provisions for student's viewing of

television programs, distribution of the voter's guide, and encouraging students to exercise their franchise.

- B. The superintendent will request the use of the county voting equipment from the county Board of Election Supervisors.
- C. The superintendent will make staff available to support the election process.

VI. REVIEW AND REPORTING

This policy will be reviewed by the Board of Education, in conjunction with MCR, in accordance with the Board of Education policy review process.

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