

## **Students on Governing Boards**

### **A. Selection**

All students (grades 6-8) are invited to submit a letter of interest about serving as Student Representative to the Shaw Island School Teachers. The student must be in good academic standing, and maintain good academic standing throughout his/her term. Selected students should also have a history of leadership and involvement in extra-curricular and civic activities. The teachers and the superintendent will review the letters and make a selection in the spring of the year to serve on the board for the following year. A maximum of two (2) students could be selected.

### **B. Term of Office**

The term of office will be October through May for one calendar year. A student may serve more than one term. After the student representatives are selected they will receive an orientation session provided by the superintendent (or designee) and a member of the board of directors.

### **C. Participation**

The student representative(s)' participation will be limited to the following:

- To present a student report as part of the Board meeting agenda
- To ask questions and offer opinions on any subject on the agenda
- To serve in an advisory capacity only
- To attend regular Board meetings, Board study sessions (non-executive), Board special meetings

The student board members may request items to be placed on the agenda by submitting the request in writing to the board president or the superintendent. It is expected that requests or concerns will be shared with the teachers prior to putting it on the board agenda. If there is information dealing with the agenda item, the student must have it to the superintendent in sufficient time to be included in the board packets.

### **D. Conduct**

The student representative will be provided with, and expected to follow, the Shaw Island School District Board/Superintendent Operating Principles. The student representative will represent all students in the Shaw Island School District and present matter of an informative manner.

### **E. Responsibilities**

Student representatives will obey all the rules and regulations pertaining to board members. Student representatives will receive copies of all regular meeting agendas, minutes and other relevant information, excluding executive session materials.

The board may remove a student representative during the term if he/she becomes ineligible or fails to fulfill their responsibilities. In the event a vacancy arises prior to the expiration of the term, an alternate from the same school will be appointed by the school to fill the vacancy.