STUDENT-REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SCHOOL BOARD PROCEDURE

THE ORCSD School Board offers the opportunity for a student to represent the interests of the student body to the board. The Board believes that student voice can enhance Board dialogue, especially as it applies to student issues. Participating at Board meetings affords the student representative a hands-on experience and an insider’s point of view on elected government.

Rules/procedure for selecting the ORHS student representative to the school board:

1. The term of office will run for one year from March to March corresponding to the general elections of the school board.
2. To be eligible to run for the position of student representative to the Oyster River School Board an ORHS student must have a grade-point average of 3.0 or better, have no failing grades in the marking period prior to running and have no disciplinary infractions resulting in significant consequence (a suspend-able offense) within the school year of the election.
3. The filing period to run for student school board representative will be the 2 weeks prior to the February school vacation week.
4. All candidates must file a petition with 25 student and 2 teacher signatures in order to run. The petition must be delivered to the ORHS student senate advisor or building principal prior to February vacation.
5. Campaigning for the student school board representative will be done during the week immediately following February vacation.
6. The election for student board representative will take place on the first Friday after February vacation.
7. The candidate with a plurality of the votes wins the election.
8. The student senate will be responsible for filling any unexpected vacancies. To fill a vacancy the senate will nominate an eligible student and the ORHS principal must approve it.
9. In the event a student representative falls below the minimum standards for eligibility they may be removed from the board by the student senate with the approval of the principal.
10. It is understood that the student representative is responsible for following all of the same board rules and policies as the other elected members.

Cross Reference:

BBBF – Student-Representative to the School Board

Legal References:

RSA 189:1-c, School Board Student Member
RSA 194:23-f, High School Student as a Board Member