

BBBH - STUDENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Purpose

The School Committee believes it is important to seek out and consider students' ideas, viewpoints and reactions to the educational program. In order to provide student input and involvement, the Committee shall appoint two Wells High School Student Committee members nominated in accordance with procedures approved by the Committee and with rights and duties as described in this policy.

Participation

Two Student Committee members shall be seated with regular Committee members and be recognized at meetings as advisory, members with advisory voting privileges. They may fully participate in meetings by questioning presenters and discussing issues. Student Committee members will receive all materials presented to Committee members except those related to closed sessions or confidential in nature. Advisory votes cast by student representatives will be recorded in the minutes of each Committee meeting. Each student representative will also sit on one school committee sub-committee or district committee of their choice (excluding Human Resources). In the event one of the two Student Committee members cannot be present, the Sophomore Class President may substitute in their role.

Term

Each year the Committee shall appoint one member of the incoming junior class of Wells High School to the Committee. The term of a Student Committee member shall be a one-year term from July 1st to June 30th based on class elections. The Committee shall act on the appointments for the next term at a June meeting. Should a vacancy occur prior to the conclusion of the term another student may be appointed in accordance with established procedures to complete the term.

Eligibility

Student Committee members shall maintain curriculum and citizenship standards, which include:

- a. Eligibility to participate in athletics and extra-curricular activities.

- b. Standards of behavior and citizenship that are determined to be of high quality.
- c. Adhere to School Committee standards of membership, ethics, attendance, and decorum.
- d. A Student Committee member may be removed from office by a 2/3 vote of the Committee for cause.

Elective Credit

Student participation on the School Committee may qualify for elective credit under the provisions of an independent student contract, subject to prior approval of the principal. Student participation will qualify as community service hours for graduation purposes.

Orientation of New Student Member

The selected Student Committee member shall be provided an orientation of School Committee Procedures and responsibilities as determined by the Superintendent of Schools and the Committee.