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BBBB-R. REGULATION OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE SCHOOL BOARD

I. STUDENT MEMBER SELECTION PROCESS

In the spring of each school year, the Superintendent recommends one high school rising Senior to serve the Board of Education for a one-year term for the following school year. The student member functions as an advisory member of the Board and does not have voting rights. The student is not able to participate in closed sessions. This regulation outlines the selection process and contains a copy of the application. The superintendent shall appoint an alternative student representative to the School Board (“alternate”) to serve in the absence of the student representative.

II. Eligibility

Any student who is a Norfolk Public Schools’ high school rising Senior, and who will be enrolled in good standing in the twelfth grade in the up-coming school year may apply.

III. Term of Office

The student member and alternate will serve a one-year term from August 1 through June 30 school year term.

IV. Initial Screening

Students may download an application from the NPS website or pick up an application from their school counselor. Students must submit their application by the identified deadline and sign the Statement of Understanding for the selection process to their respective high school. Immediately after the application deadline an Ad-Hoc Screening Committee at each high school will consider all applications received and select two semifinalists from among the applicants. The committee will review each application holistically, selecting two semifinalists who reflect the best cross-section from the pool of outstanding students who apply. The decision of the screening committee is final. Applicants will not receive evaluations nor will their application materials be returned.

The two students selected from each high school will then be presented to the NPS Office of the Superintendent. The Superintendent will then form an Ad-Hoc Screening Committee to review the applications and to interview each of the semifinalists. Three finalists will be selected and forwarded to the Superintendent. The superintendent will then interview the three finalists.

Following the interviews, one of the finalists will be recommended to the School Board by the Superintendent to be the student member of the School Board of the City of Norfolk and one of the finalists will be recommended to be the alternate student member.

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