



Student School Board Committee



The school board believes that the views, insights, and suggestions of student representatives on the school board can be an advantage to the school board in its decision-making role. The Student School Board Committee will focus on identifying, interviewing, and recommending students to serve on the school board.

Agenda: February 12, 2026

1. Timeline

- **Committee discussion:**
 - The current application sits in a good window between the end of Winter activities and the start of Spring activities.
 - Update Timelines to reflect board work calendar (Offer positions by May 6 and Approve Student School Board Representative committee on May 20)
 - Move onboarding to the week of August 17, 2026
 - Student Representatives meet between September 1 and September 23, 2026, to select assignments
 - Oath of Office: September 23, 2026
 - October 7, 2026: First Work Session
 - October 21, 2026: First Student School Board Member Report(s)
- **Committee recommendations:**
 - Review discussion points above and update timeline
 - Adjust Committee and Board timeline to align with Student Timeline

2. Application Question Review

- *Why are you interested in joining the school board?*
- *What strengths do you bring that would support your efforts as a student member on the school board?*
- *What unique voice or perspective do you feel you bring to the board table?*
- *How might you engage with students across the district to best represent the student body?*
- *Please list all your extracurricular activities:*
- **Committee discussion:**
 - Change list all your extracurricular activities question
- **Committee recommendations:**
 - *"How have your experiences, both during and outside the school day, prepared you to serve as a Student School Board Representative?"* as a substitute for listing extracurricular activities.

3. Application Cycle

- Application is open from March 1 - March 31, 2026
- Advertising
 - Slide for Announcements
 - Website Messaging

- High School Newsletter
 - Raider Update
 - KDWA Board Update
 - *NEW* Student School Board Representative Instagram page
- Application Access
 - QR Code on School Announcements
 - HHS Announcements Schoology Page
 - High School Newsletter
 - Raider Update
 - *NEW* Student School Board Representative Instagram page
- Application Review
 - April 8, 2026
 - 5 PM
 - District Office Conference Room A
- **Committee discussion:**
 - 13 Applicants in 2024, 11 Applicants in 2025
 - Advertise on "The Bridge."
 - Graphic for the Announcements, before application window opens and one with an active link when the window is open
 - Each Advisory will post the slides
 - Application posted in Announcements Schoology page
- **Committee recommendations:**
 - Calendar invite will be sent (LynDee Humble) for April 8, 2026
 - "Coming Soon" slide for early promotion in February (Kari Gorr)
 - Announcement slide specific for when the application is open (Kari Gorr)
 - Students will advertise on "The Bridge"
 - Develop new Student School Board Representative Instagram page

4. Interview Process

- Interview Logistics
 - Primary Date
 1. April 30, 2026 (8 - 10 AM)
 2. Hastings High School Conference Room
 - Backup Date
 1. May 4, 2026 (8 - 10 AM)
 2. Hastings High School Conference Room
 - Interviewers
 1. Matt Bruns
 2. Melissa Millner
 3. Scott Doran, HHS Principal
- Review Interview Guide
- Committee Discussion:
 - Junior student representatives that apply for a second term should complete a truncated application and if they apply should serve a second term. Helps to have experienced

members on the board. Second year is when representatives begin to feel comfortable and feel they can do deeper work

- Update conflict question and replace with a scenario
- Reword question six
- Committee Recommendations:
 - Current Junior Student Representatives that apply for a second term will complete a truncated application and be permitted to serve a second term.
 - Updated question: *"SCENARIO: You are experiencing a conflict with an adult in your school. What steps would you take to resolve this conflict to reach a resolution?"*
 - Updated question: *"What are your goals for this advocacy role? Given the requirements, what are your concerns in fulfilling the required obligations?"*

5. Future Work

- Review Interview Scores
- Review Onboarding Processes
- Review Student School Board Representative Tools
- Committee Discussion:
 - Student representatives support onboarding
 - Meet on May 6, 2026 at 5 PM to review interview scores
- Committee Recommendations:
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