

Lyon County School District Board Memo

Date: October 27, 2026

To: Board of School Trustees

From: Stacey Griffin-Cooper, Deputy Superintendent

Re: Policy IO: Student Leadership/Government

Recommendation:

That the LCSD Board of Trustees approve Policy IO: Student Leadership/Government as a first reading.

Background Information:

As requested by Trustee Darin Farr, this proposed policy establishes a standardized framework for student leadership across the Lyon County School District (LCSD) to foster civic responsibility, democratic values, and a positive school culture. It formally structures a districtwide set of guardrails that protects the equity & integrity of our elected student representative process. Additionally, the policy outlines clear expectations for transparency to students and parents on the application process, selection process, and maintaining clear communication between the student body, faculty, and administration.

This proposed policy preserves school autonomy while establishing foundational guidelines for application transparency, and maintaining equitable access to student government participation.

Essentially, the three largest fundamentals to be considered of the LCSD Board are:

1. Does not eliminate professional judgment but rather make professional judgment more defensible.
2. Transparency of the process needs to be clearly defined. Information available on request is not the same thing as a transparent process.
3. The process does not require prerequisites of historical membership in the leadership class prior to student participation.

Budget Considerations:

N/A

Discussed at Previous Meeting:

N/A

Attachment(s):

Policy IO – Student Leadership/Government
School Feedback
High School Summary Chart

***Mission Statement** Lyon County School District fosters learning for life, empowers connected learners, promotes student ownership, and encourages discovery learning for success in a rapidly evolving world.*