

Ashland School District 5

Code: BCBA -AR(2)
Adopted: 4/24/23

Application for Student School Board Representatives

Name: Milo Leiserson

City: Ashland

Year in School: Junior (11th grade)

School: Ashland High School

Why would you like to serve on the School Board (300 words or less)?

Earlier this year, I attended ~~an~~ the Ashland School Board meeting about the idea of using Lincoln Field as a grounds for more affordable housing in our city. At this experience exposed me to countless new interests, particularly getting to represent my school that is so important to countless students, and also branching out into the community that raised me. As I grow and mature, I have realized the importance of such community connections and how advocating for your beliefs can be so key in an accurate and satisfactory administration.

How would you provide value to the School Board if you were selected (300 words or less)?

I would provide value to the School Board with both my ~~unusually~~ strong moral compass and my unique position and subsequent perspective of our city, and more specifically, my school. With positions on two varsity sports teams as well as having taken Leadership courses for almost three years, I have experience with both hard work and thinking ahead to plan out various types of events. Additionally, having attended Willow Wind from Kindergarten through 8th grade, I understand the benefits and impacts a closely-knit community has, and how important it is.

Describe an aspect of school culture or policy that has impacted you (150 words or less).

Through upwards of a decade of schooling, I have experienced countless teachers, enrolled in innumerable classes, and received thousands of assignments or homework. Despite all of this, the most impactful aspect of school culture has been the discipline of showing up day in and day out, at 8:30 AM sharp. This has taught me both the importance of punctuality, and also the very transferable lesson that consistency yields success.

What impact would you seek to have on the Ashland School Board (150 words or less)?

The most prominent impact I would seek to have on the Ashland School Board would be to encourage justice, equality, and fair consideration by incorporating all these factors in the work I do, which will in turn inspire my peers to follow suit, and eventually leading to an improved relationship between the Board and the citizens, a more thorough and attentive administration, and most importantly, a happier school district.

Can you commit to attending the meeting dates that have been approved by the School Board?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Please list up to three teachers or staff members who we can reach out to as a reference for you.

- 1) Sarah Weston
- 2) Tammy Anderson
- 3) Nancy Martin

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Student Signature: Milo Leiserson

Date: 3/20/25

Due 3/21

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Application for Student School Board Representatives

Name: Alice Camahan

Home Phone: _____

Year in School: Junior - graduate 2026 School: Ashland High School

Why would you like to serve on the School Board (300 words or less)?

Being in AHS leadership and being the junior class co-president has made me realize that my passion is being involved in school events and improving AHS. I like being in leadership roles not because I enjoy the attention but because I believe I can be the voice for people who are too afraid to speak up. I believe I can bring these qualities to the school board and not just improve AHS but Ashland school district as a whole. If I was on the school board my main focus would be community. I want to create a more tight-knit community between Ashland students, alumni, parents, and supporters.

How would you provide value to the School Board if you were selected (300 words or less)?

My organization, public speaking skills and leadership would provide great value to the school board because I would be able to be the voice for so many students. I am in a vast variety of clubs and activities including soccer, softball, DECA, Key Club, and National Honor Society and I assume leadership roles in many of them. I would be able to be the connection between the school board and these clubs/activities and therefore foster a better relationship and a stronger community between them.

Describe an aspect of school culture or policy that has impacted you (150 words or less).

An aspect of school culture at AHS that is very important to me is the connection between students and teachers. I was once a scared and nervous student who was coming from the Siskiyou School and had no idea what public high school would be like. Over the last 2 years I have gone from a scared freshman to a confident outgoing junior who loves to be involved at her school, and my teachers are the reason for that. They were able to make me feel at home at AHS while also pushing me out of my comfort zone. The same teachers that helped me understand math, discover my love of history, and push me to become a leader at my school are also some of the most trusted adults I have in my life.

What impact would you seek to have on the Ashland School Board (150 words or less)?

I am a learner, a leader and a communicator. I would seek to create a tighter connection between the school board and the students in Ashland School District because I believe this would be a very mutually beneficial relationship. The students would have adults in leadership positions that they admire and trust and feel that they can speak to and the members of the board would have a better understanding of the needs of students and how they can make students feel more welcomed and safe in our district. I believe that I could foster this relationship by leading by example and representing every student no matter their story.

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☒ Yes ☐ No

Please list up to three teachers or staff members who we can reach out to as a reference for you.

1) <u>Sarah Weston</u>	<u>Sarah.Weston@ashland.k12.or.us</u>
2) <u>Tammy Anderson</u>	<u>Tammy.Anderson@ashland.k12.or.us</u>
3) <u>Quin Haldane</u>	<u>Quin.Haldane@ashland.k12.or.us</u>

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Student Signature: Alice Camahan

Date: 3/13/25

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Application for Student School Board Representatives

Name: Kaya Ruiz

Home Phone: _____

Year in School: Junior

School: Ashland High School

Why would you like to serve on the School Board (300 words or less)?

I would like to serve on the Board due to my belief that I will be able to represent a large portion of our student population. From main team to soccer to leadership, I can express the struggles + issues of a broad range of students, and share the school board's agenda with them as well.

How would you provide value to the School Board if you were selected (300 words or less)?

I would be a valuable representative due to my connections + involvement. By being involved in various clubs, activities + sports, as well as hard classes, I have learned how to effectively manage my time in ways I can apply optimally. As a representative, I will apply myself + offer my strong work ethic to best represent the

Describe an aspect of school culture or policy that has impacted you (150 words or less).

One of my favorite things about Ashland High School is the tight-knit community. The wonderful community has supported me primarily through the relationships I've built with other students through sports, as well as support through the student store for DECA, among other ways + careers.

What impact would you seek to have on the Ashland School Board (150 words or less)?

I hope to further establish a culture of community by fostering trust, representation and communication between the Ashland students + school board. As class president, a leadership student, + a leader within many other activities, I believe I have the reach + connection to ensure all students feel represented + heard by the school board.

Can you commit to attending the meeting dates that have been approved by the School Board?

☒ Yes ☐ No

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- 1) Quin Haldane
- 2) Carolyn Scott-Patterson
- 3) Jarah Weiler

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Student Signature: Kaya Ruiz

Date: 3 / 3 / 25

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Application for Student School Board Representatives

Name: Toby Pew

City: Ashland Oregon
Year in School: 10th

School: Ashland High School

Why would you like to serve on the School Board (300 words or less)?

I would like to serve on the School board as I want to be an advocate for my fellow students. I feel it is my duty as a student in Leadership and one that enjoys public speaking, I exercise that ability in order to benefit students and people in the community.

How would you provide value to the School Board if you were selected (300 words or less)?

If selected I will provide value to the School board given my robust knowledge of how the district operates. During the 2024/2025 school year I served as alternate representative where I gained knowledge on where the district stands. That, in addition to leadership makes me a qualified candidate for this role.

Describe an aspect of school culture or policy that has impacted you (150 words or less).

One aspect of school culture that has impacted me has been the supportive and friendly community I have found at AHS. I always am encouraged and motivated to do my best, and be the best person I possibly can by the students around me. As a rep I would work to preserve this culture, and ensure everyone experiences it.

What impact would you seek to have on the Ashland School Board (150 words or less)?

If selected I would hope to impact the school board by providing them with advice that is reasonable, and would benefit the district and students. I hope to build connection with the board in a way where we can solve problems together for the benefit of students, staff and the community.

Can you commit to attending the meeting dates that have been approved by the School Board?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Please list up to three teachers or staff members who we can reach out to as a reference for you.

- 1) Steve Mitzel
- 2) Francisco LopezAtanes
- 3) Ms. Sarah Weston

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Student Signature: Toby Pew

Date: 2/25/25