



# MODESTO CITY SCHOOLS

## PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

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TO: Student Representative to the Board of Education Candidates DATE: 4/6/17

FROM: Becky Fortuna, Public Information Officer

SUBJECT: 2017-18 Student Representative to the Board of Education Application & Selection Process

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Thank you for your interest in the 2017-18 Student Representative to the Board of Education position. Please note: the Student Representative to the Board of Education also serves as the Inter-High Council President. Submitting an application for the Student Representative to the Board of Education position signifies your commitment to attending all Board of Education and Inter-High Council meetings during the 2017-2018 school year.

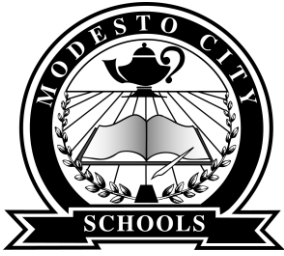
The position is open to current sophomores and juniors in Modesto City Schools. To apply for the position, you must submit the attached application by 5 p.m. on Monday, April 24, to the Public Information Office, 426 Locust Street, Modesto, CA 95351.

The application is a PDF form. Complete the application online, and then print the document to obtain the appropriate signatures. **Late, handwritten or incomplete applications will not be considered.** Applicants will receive notification via email on Thursday, April 27 whether or not they are moving forward in the process.

A panel consisting of one Inter-High Council representative or leadership student from each high school, the current Student Representative to the Board of Education, one Board of Education member and the Public Information Officer will interview up to eight candidates. The interviews will take place Thursday, May 4, from 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Please review the attached Board of Education Bylaw (BB 9111) regarding the Board of Education Student Member and the Exhibit (E 9111) regarding the Student Member Selection.

Should you have questions or concerns regarding the application process, please feel free to contact me at (209) 492-2977 or [fortuna.b@mcs4kids.com](mailto:fortuna.b@mcs4kids.com).



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### Application: 2017-18 Student Representative to the Board of Education

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT Grade Level: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA (current): \_\_\_\_\_

GPA (cumulative): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of absences during the 2016-2017 school year: \_\_\_\_\_

1. List any leadership positions you have held during your high school career:

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2. List school activities in which you have been involved (high school level):

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3. List school activities in which you plan to be involved next year (2017-2018):

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4. Please explain why you are interested in serving as Student Representative to the Board of Education:

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5. Why do you feel you are qualified for this position?

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Please provide the following signatures to verify your qualifications and regular school attendance:

Administrator Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Subject Area: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Bylaw

BB 9111

### BOARD OF EDUCATION

#### Student Member

In recognition of the need to maintain good communication with students and to obtain their reactions and feelings regarding District programs and policies, a non-voting student seat on the Board of Education is established.

1. The student appointed to serve shall be enrolled in the Modesto High School District during the period of service.
2. The student member shall be entitled, and is expected, to attend each and all Governing Board meetings except Closed Session.
3. The student member may receive a mileage reimbursement if requested to travel outside the area on District business.
4. The term of the student member is for one year commencing July 1.
5. The student member shall be recommended by the Modesto City Schools Inter-High Council to the Board of Education for approval.
6. By approval of Resolution No. 96/97-22, the Board of Education authorized preferential voting by the Student Representative to the Board, except on matters dealing with employer-employee relations pursuant to Chapter 10.7 (commencing with Section 3540) of Division 4 of Title 1 of the Government Code.
7. Preferential voting means a formal expression of opinion that is recorded in the minutes and cast prior to the official vote of the Governing Board. A preferential vote will not serve in determining the final numerical outcome of a vote. No preferential vote can be solicited on matters subject to closed session discussion. The preferential voting student shall not be liable for any acts of the Governing Board.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**Student Member**

8. By approval of Resolution No. 97/98-14, the Board of Education authorized the Student Representative to the Board to make motions that may be acted upon by the Board of Education, except on matters dealing with employer-employee relations pursuant to Government Code 3540-3549.3.

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December 16, 1996  
January 20, 1998

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## Exhibit

E 9111

### STUDENT MEMBER SELECTION

1. Applications for the position of Student Representative to the Board of Education will be made available to all interested high school sophomores and juniors during the first week of April of each year. They will be available for a two-week school period.
2. Students will be notified of the vacancy through school bulletins and meetings, posters and media announcements.
3. The interview and selection panel will be made up of one Inter-High Council representative from each participating high school, the current Inter-High Council president, the current Student Representative to the Board of Education, a Board of Education member and the Superintendent's designee.
4. The interview and selection panel will schedule interviews approximately one week after all applications have been received by the Public Information Officer.
5. All applicants will be invited to appear before the panel for a 10 to 15 minute interview. Students should be prepared to discuss why they want to be the Student Representative to the Board of Education. Prior to beginning the interviews, each panel member will be given copies of the applications of the students scheduled to be interviewed. Panel members will ask the same series of questions to each applicant.
6. If a student is unable to meet with the panel on the appointed day, the panel will render a decision based upon the circumstances.
7. At the end of the interview sessions, the panel will decide on their choice for the new Student Representative to the Board of Education. If a tie exists, the panel may interview the top candidates again.
8. The new Student Representative to the Board of Education will be introduced to the Board of Education, and to the Inter-High Council during the last meeting in May by the outgoing Student Representative to the Board of Education.