

**Rancho Santiago Community College District**  
**BOARD POLICY**  
Chapter 2  
Board of Trustees

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**BP 2015 Student Member**

**Reference(s):**

Education Code Section 72023.5

The Board shall include one student member. The term of office shall be one year commencing June 1.

The student member shall be enrolled in and maintain a minimum of six (6) semester units in the District at the time of nomination and throughout the term of service. The student member is not required to give up employment with the District. The student shall maintain the standards of scholarship and eligibility criteria enumerated in Administrative Regulation 2105.

The student member shall be seated with the Board and shall be recognized as a full member of the Board at meetings. The student member is entitled to participate in discussion of issues and receive all materials presented to members of the Board (except for closed session). The student member shall be entitled to any mileage allowance necessary to attend board meetings and reimbursement for approved travel (see BP 2735) to the same extent as publicly elected trustees.

The student member shall have the privilege to cast an advisory vote, although the vote shall not be included in determining the vote required to carry any measure before the board. The student member may, prior to the vote on any item before the Board, advise the President of the Board that the student member would like to cast his/her vote first as a means of providing advice to the Board.

The student member shall not be liable for any acts of the Governing Board. The student member shall be bound by Code of Ethics/Standards of Practice (BP 2715).

On or before May 15 of each year, the Board shall consider whether to afford the student member any of the following privileges:

- The privilege to make and second motions;
- The privilege to attend closed sessions on matters concerning student discipline;
- The privilege to receive compensation for meeting attendance and the amount of that compensation, up to the amount prescribed by Education Code Section 72425;
- The privilege to serve a term commencing on May 15;
- The privilege to serve on Board committees;
- The privilege to cast an advisory vote;
- The privilege to attend conferences like any other member of the Board of Trustees.

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