

Ashland School District 5

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Application for Student School Board Representatives

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

I want to ensure student voices are included in decisions that affect our daily lives. Through speech & debate, DECA, and Key Club I've interacted with a wide range of students and gained insight on many perspectives. These experiences have taught me how to communicate effectively, listen to others, and think critically. I believe leadership is about representing others, and I want to help bridge the gap between students & decision makers.

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

I would provide value by bringing a well-rounded student perspective and strong communication skills. Being involved in multiple activities allows me to connect with different groups of students & understand their viewpoints. I would actively listen to student concerns and clearly communicate them to the board. My experience in speech and debate has prepared me to present ideas confidently and engage in thoughtful discussions. I would also focus on being solution-oriented, offering ideas that benefit the school.

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

One policy that has impacted me is the phone ban. At first it felt restricted and was difficult to adjust to, especially since phones are such a normal part of daily life. However, over time we noticed a meaningful positive change in how students interact. Without phones as a constant distraction, we had more face-to-face conversations and have built stronger relationships with my peers. While the adjustment wasn't easy, this policy has created a more connected & focused school environment.

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

If selected, I would seek to strengthen communication between students and the school board by making sure student voices are consistently heard and represented. I want students to feel like their opinions matter and that they play a role in shaping their school environment. By improving this two-way communication, I hope to build trust, encourage greater student involvement, and help create a more inclusive and connected school 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 we can reach out to as a reference for you.

- 1) Paul Huard
- 2) Quin Haldane
- 3) Jonathan Weigher

Student Board members are appointed by the School Board in an advisory capacity. Appointees are selected from the completed applications; emails and letters of interest will not be considered. Please return completed form to your school principal.

Student Signature: Sylvia Fox

Date: 4/18/26