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Eastern Suffolk BOCES will have three ex officio student Board members. Ex officio student Board members will be entitled to sit with Board members at all public meetings and hearings of the Board and may participate in other Board activities and responsibilities at the discretion of the Board. However, ex officio student Board members will:

1. not be allowed to vote;
2. not be allowed to attend executive session or any other meetings or hearings not open to the public; and
3. not be entitled to receive compensation of any form for participating at Board meetings.

Ex officio student Board members will serve on the Board for a term of one year, commencing July 1 and ending June 30. Ex officio student members may request to participate in meetings remotely, and may be excused to leave meetings early, upon the approval of the Board President.

Selecting Ex Officio Student Board Members

To be designated as an ex officio student Board member, the student must have attended a component district high school for at least one year and participate in a program that is administered by ESBOCES.

ESBOCES has established the following process for determining which component districts will select the ex officio student Board members each school year. Ex officio student Board members will be selected from the component districts on a rotating basis to ensure fair representation over time. A predetermined rotation schedule will be developed by the Board, in consultation with the Superintendents of the component districts.

When it is a component district's turn to select an ex officio student Board member, the component district will create a list of students who have attended the component district's high school for at least one year and participate in a program administered by ESBOCES. The ex officio student Board member will be selected from that list by the Superintendent of the component district.

The ex officio student board member may, at their discretion, choose to be publicly sworn or affirmed into their role prior to commencing service. The student member is not required to take an oath or affirmation as a condition of participation.

- NY Education Law § 1950(2-c)