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Applications to become the next Student Member of the Board available beginning December 1

Students in Grade 10 and 11 invited to apply

Towson, MD – Applications will become available on Wednesday, December 1, for Grade 10 and Grade 11 students interested in serving on the Board of Education of Baltimore County for the 2022-2023 school year.

“This is a tremendous opportunity for students interested in taking their leadership to a new level,” said Nora Murray, the program specialist who manages student leadership programs for BCPS. “The Student Member of the Board represents all Baltimore County Public Schools students and votes on important policy decisions related to how the school system operates. Former SMOBs have moved on to assume leadership roles in education and other fields.”

[Online applications](#) will open on Wednesday, December 1, 2021, and must be submitted by 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, January 5, 2022. Students will need to sign into their BCPS Google accounts to access the application. Submitted applications must include five letters of recommendation along with a resume and essay. Applicants are encouraged to review application instructions and the selection timeline carefully before submitting an application. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Official transcripts will be reviewed along with the applicant’s most recent report card.

Applications will be reviewed by a committee of students and staff members. Based on application scores, selected candidates will receive an email invitation to participate in virtual interviews on Thursday, January 27, 2022. Based on those interviews, finalists will be selected. Those finalists will be invited to tape a presentation that will be made available online and viewed in English language arts and

social studies classes. In addition, finalists will be taped answering student-submitted questions. Students will be able to view the question-and-answer session before voting. All BCPS middle and high school students will be able to vote online on Thursday, March 17, 2022.

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