

# APPLICATION

## STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE TO THE MONTANA BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CURRENT GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS APPLICATION MUST BE TYPED. IF MORE SPACE IS NEEDED, ATTACHMENTS ARE PERMISSIBLE.**

1. What does education mean to you?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Describe your involvement and offices held in any school or other organizations.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. What qualities do you possess that would be most beneficial should you be chosen as Student Representative on the Montana Board of Public Education?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. Who is an educator who has shaped your education? Explain.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. What is something you are passionate about in regard to education, and how would you apply that passion to the Montana Board of Public Education?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. Do you have any special thoughts or ideas you would like to add?

**IN ADDITION TO THIS APPLICATION FORM, PLEASE SUBMIT A RECOMMENDATION FROM YOUR HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OR STUDENT COUNCIL ADVISER.**

If selected, I would be able to participate fully in this capacity, and I have my parents' approval.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS' SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

The application must be **RECEIVED** by **DATE TBA**. Please mail to Ryan Anderson, MASC Executive Director, C.M. Russell High School, 228 17<sup>th</sup> Ave NW, Great Falls, MT 59404, or email the application to [ryan\\_anderson@gfps.k12.mt.us](mailto:ryan_anderson@gfps.k12.mt.us).

**APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE RECEIVED BY \_\_\_\_\_ !**

The candidates for the Student Representative on the Montana Board of Public Education will be interviewed on Sunday, \_\_\_\_\_ in Lewistown. A new representative and alternate will be selected at the completion of the interviews.

MASC will coordinate the selection, but students from all Montana schools are eligible. Students who apply must currently be in high school. It is important that those who apply understand the great responsibility of the office. The term of office is one year and will officially run from July to July. Student expenses will be funded along with other board members. **If a current freshman or sophomore is selected for the position, he/she may (if receiving a positive performance evaluation from the State Board of Public Education and the Executive Board of MASC) be appointed to a second term.** Although the cost of travel is funded, the student must find his or her own way to and from meetings. Following is a brief job description:

1. The student should attend all regular meetings of the board, which are normally held in Helena, should be placed on the mailing list to acquire a copy of agenda in advance, and should be prepared for all meetings. Requests should be made in advance for items to be placed on the agenda.
2. The student should serve as spokesman for student viewpoints in policy decisions directly influencing students and should visit with students frequently. It is important that the student elicit information from various people and attempt to formulate objective opinions. By developing procedures for surveying student opinion, the student will increase his/her credibility with the board.
3. The student should present student suggestions for changes, additions or deletions to board policy if of concern to students.
4. The student should communicate regularly with the MASC Executive Board and Montana high school student councils.
6. The student will have no expenses of his/her own.
7. **The student will serve as an Ex-Officio member of the MASC Executive Board and attend all meetings of this body. The Student Council in the student's school must affiliate with MASC in order for a student to serve as the student rep.**
8. **The student must attend the fall MASC conference to deliver a short speech and a workshop.**

**Applicants must appear before the MASC Executive Board for an interview on \_\_\_\_\_.** The postmark deadline for applications and letters of recommendation is \_\_\_\_\_. For further information regarding this position, contact current Student Rep, Gavin Mow, at [gavin.mow@gmail.com](mailto:gavin.mow@gmail.com).