



RENFREW COUNTY DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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NEW STUDENT TRUSTEE FOR THE RENFREW COUNTY DSB

The Renfrew County District School Board welcomed Student Trustee Steven Hawthorne to the Board meeting tonight. Steven was chosen as the Student Trustee by students across the County last spring. Each secondary school was invited to nominate a student for the position of Student Trustee. Then, three members of each secondary student council were invited to a meeting to vote for a Student Trustee to sit on the Renfrew County District School Board.

Steven Hawthorne is a Grade 12 student at Opeongo High School. He has a variety of experiences that will help him represent and express the opinions of the students of Renfrew County. Mr. Hawthorne has participated in school sports such as volleyball and badminton and in various school clubs such as Interact and Enviro Club as well as Opeongo's Performer's Network, Reach for the Top and peer tutoring.

"I believe that my experiences will allow me to fuse the ideas, interests and desires of the students of Renfrew County and present them to the Board with honesty, passion and enthusiasm" said Mr. Hawthorne. "I am truly looking forward to being a contributing member of the Renfrew County District School Board."

The Renfrew County District School Board established the position of a non-voting student trustee on the Board in order to provide greater insight to Board members on student activities, programs and needs, and will provide a greater awareness and understanding of mutual issues between the Board school staff and students.

Chairperson Roy Reiche welcomed Mr. Hawthorne to the Board and indicated "that Steven's high academic and varied extracurricular experience will contribute to his effectiveness as a representative of his student peers".

For immediate release
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