# 28 August 2023

**Student Representative Elections - Memo 2**

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| Kia ora koutou,By now, all schools using the recommended date of 14 September as their election date for student representative elections will have called for nominations. These close tomorrow, 29 August.Before nominations close, we would like to provide the following points of clarification on the election of student representatives for Returning Officers:* If there is only 1 nomination received, then the student is duly elected and joins the board 7 days later. If there is more than 1 nomination, a voting election will need to be held.
* New legislation has just been passed that now requires boards to fill a casual vacancy that occurs if there are no nominations received at the annual student elections.

When the elections are completed, please make sure, as the Returning Officer, you complete [Appendix 1](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YV2SGHR) online and send the student representative the link to compete [Appendix 2](https://www.schoolboardelections.org.nz/board-resources/election-forms-and-appendices/appendix-2) so they can register for professional development opportunities.NZSTA will be running ‘Welcome on Board’ sessions both online and in-person around the country for new and returning student representatives. Please visit our [Resource Centre](https://www.nzstaresourcecentre.org.nz/learningeventsresources?aId=ka00o000000pOK7AAM) to register and explore other online courses and workshops.Our team is here to support you and your board during the elections. See the School Board Elections websiteschoolboardelections.org.nz, email the team at electionsadvice@nzsta.org.nz, or contact one of our NZSTA Governance Advisors on 0800 782 435.Ngā mihi,**NZSTA Elections Team** |

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