



## CT SECONDARY TRANSITION **YOUTH ADVISORY BOARD**

### **Qualities of an Effective Student Member of the State Advisory Council for Special Education**

- Honesty: about themselves and about group they represent
- Willingness to be heard – they shouldn't be intimidated by being a youth working with a board of adults
- Willingness to work as part of a team – they should have an understanding that their voice is important, and they bring a unique perspective to the team
- Understand the importance of their role and have the dedication and commitment to be able to attend and participate in the meetings
- Motivation – they should be motivated to share the student perspective
- They should look at this role as an opportunity to make a difference and better themselves in the process

I hope this helps and I hope these are qualities that I demonstrated in my previous role as student representative.

Thank you,  
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