

Student Advisory Council

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Mandate:

Manitoba students are at the heart of our education system and their opinions should play an important role in the decisions that affect them. A priority action in the *Better Education Starts Today: Putting Students First* strategy, which was released on March 15, 2021, is the establishment of the Student Advisory Council, which will enable youth to contribute their voice in shaping our education system in Manitoba. Council members will provide insights and advice to the Minister of Education regarding current and emerging issues and topics that relate to Manitoba Kindergarten to Grade 12 students.

Responsibility:

The Student Advisory Council will be responsible for:

- attending meetings
- participating in discussions/consultations to provide input to the Minister on aspects of the education system and how they affect the children and young people who use them
- bringing youth insights to the department and the education sector to help inform our work
- providing other students with ways to share their perspectives and advice
- providing feedback to requests on department products (for example, surveys/discussion papers)
- working collaboratively

Membership:

The Student Advisory Council will be comprised of up to 30 Manitoba youth, aged 14 to 18.

Length of Terms:

12-month term starting in August 2021 and ending in August 2022.

Desirable Experience:

- Residing in Manitoba
- Being between the ages of 14 and 18 as of September 1, 2021
- Representing the diversity of Manitoba students
- Demonstrating knowledge about issues related to Education
- Demonstrating ability to work in a team
- Demonstrating an ability to engage and learn in respectful, open discussion and be accepting of differing viewpoints
- Ability to serve for one year

Time Commitment:

The Student Advisory Council is expected to meet three to four times within its year-long mandate; however, there may be additional sub-meetings to attend. The first meeting Student Advisory Council meeting is anticipated to occur in August 2021.

Meetings:

Frequency: Minimum four times a year

Location: Winnipeg (Virtual Conferencing or Teleconferencing Available)*

Remuneration:

Out-of-pocket expenses incurred by Chair/members in their capacity.

Council members from outside Winnipeg will be reimbursed reasonable travel expenses as per the Government of Manitoba's travel and accommodation policies.