

MEMORANDUM

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Utah Association of Secondary School Principals
Utah Parents and Teachers Association

FROM: Ben Rasmussen, Executive Secretary
Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission

SUBJECT: Nomination to the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission

DATE: April 29, 2021

State Superintendent Sydnee Dickson is soliciting nominations for positions on the Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission. UPPAC reviews investigative reports, holds hearings, considers evidence, and makes recommendations to the Utah State Board of Education on educator licensing. Four positions are open for three-year terms beginning on July 1, 2021. Four positions must be filled by licensed educators, three of which must be educators whose primary responsibility is teaching. One position must be filled by an educator with a non-teaching assignment. Special education teachers are highly encouraged to apply.

A candidate nominates himself/herself by submitting a completed application form, a letter of interest, and a resume or C.V. Application materials are due on or before **May 31, 2021** to:

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The following positions are open:

- Three educators whose primary responsibility is teaching
 - Two members term-limited and may not renew.
 - One member expected to renew.
- One educator whose primary responsibility is other than teaching.
 - One member expected to renew.

The Superintendent and Board strive for a balanced representation from throughout the state when making appointments. Members who will continue to serve on the Commission are from the Juab, Murray, Provo, and Logan City School Districts, and the Weilenmann School for Discovery. Members from Salt Lake City and Granite School



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District are expected to renew. This does not rule out applicants from these districts; however, applicants from other areas of the state may be given preference. The Superintendent seeks gender, ethnic, and geographic diversity, as well as a balance between elementary and secondary representation. Applicants from charter, private, and parochial schools may also apply. Once an educator applies for the Commission, UPPAC staff will retain the application for consideration if vacancies arise, if the educator is not initially selected.

Please encourage outstanding educators in your schools and L.E.A.s to apply for positions on the Commission. Attached is a copy of a nominating application. The membership of this committee is even more critical and interesting due to current issues in educator ethics. You may make additional copies or you may print the information from our website, www.schools.utah.gov/policy/uppac. For further information, interested educators may contact me at (801) 538-7835.

Attachment