



Utah State Board of Education's Student Advisory Council ("SAC")

The SAC will meet to discuss how decisions made at the state level are affecting students throughout Utah. Members are advisors and act as liaisons between the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) and the students of Utah. The meetings will include discussions to provide student suggestions, reactions, insights, and opinions concerning the State Board's policies, initiatives, and efforts regarding relevant educational issues. They will also include exploring issues relevant to students on a statewide level that may require Board consideration or action.

SAC members will be expected to attend all meetings and to comply with all the duties and responsibilities outlined in the Utah State Board of Education's Student Advisory Council Policy (See Attached). These duties include fulfilling the full two-year term for incoming 11th grade members and one-year term for incoming 12th grade members.

For the 2018-19 school year, SAC meetings will take place every other month beginning November 2018 and concluding with a final meeting in May 2019. SAC meeting schedules will be determined by the SAC at the first meeting held November 9, 2018 at 2:30 PM at the Utah State Board of Education Office, 250 East 500 South, Salt Lake City Utah 84114. All travel to meetings are subject to general State Board reimbursement and per diem policies (see attached) and meetings will be made available electronically for those unable to travel to the meeting location.

All 11th and 12th grade students who are at least 16 years old by Sept. 1st are eligible to apply. **To be considered for the council, applications must be received by Friday, October 5, 2018. Only applications received by this date or earlier will be accepted.**

Return your completed application, completed Student Service Commitment Form and completed Consent Form to Kathy Helgesen by email to Kathy.Helgesen@schools.utah.gov 801-538-7550

For questions about the SAC, contact Jeffrey Van Hulten by email at Jeffrey.vanhulten@schools.utah.gov 801-538-7521

**Utah State Board of Education's
Student Advisory Council Application**



Please type your responses on the application. If special accommodations are needed please call or email Kathy Helgesen at 801-538-7550

Kathy.Helgesen@schools.utah.gov

Name _____

Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy) _____

Home Address _____

City _____

Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

E-mail _____

Please list all relevant social media accounts including links (optional) _____

Gender (optional): Female

Male

Non-Binary

Ethnic/Racial Group (optional): _____

Grade Level for 2018-19 School Year (11 or 12)

School _____

State Board School District for current home of residence (District 1-15 See the following link for a map of the State Board School Districts <https://elections.utah.gov/map/district-maps>)

School Principal's Name (if applicable) _____

Please list other extracurricular activities you are involved in

Are you enrolled in a career pathway at your school?

YES NO

If YES, please list the courses you have completed or are currently enrolled in for the career pathway.

Please answer the following four questions. Please type your responses on the application. No handwritten applications will be accepted.

1. Why are you interested in becoming a member of the Student Advisory Council?

2. What are three qualities you will bring to the Student Advisory Council? Briefly describe these three qualities and why you feel they would be an asset to the group.

3. What is something you would improve or change about your school experience that you feel would better prepare you for life after high school?

4. In your opinion, what is a top issue facing Utah students? Please choose just one issue, explain the scope of the problem and possible solutions including how you and your fellow students can help and how teachers, counselors and administrators at your school can help.

**Student Advisory Council
Student Service Commitment Form**

Please print your name in the space below and provide a handwritten signature and date of signature at the bottom of the service commitment. Forms that are returned incomplete or without a handwritten signature will not be considered.

No electronic (typed) signatures will be considered on a student application. Signatures **must be handwritten on the Student Service Commitment Form.**

I, _____, have read the Utah State Board of Education's Student Advisory Council Policy and hereby understand the time commitment involved in being a part of the 2018-19 Student Advisory Council. I will commit to:

- attend all meetings;
- arrive for each meeting on time;
- serve as a resource for my peers and community;
- fulfill my obligations for the projects we commit to complete;
- treat my peers and myself with respect and honor everyone's time, opinions and contributions; and
- value myself as an equal partner in program development.

In return for this, the Utah State Board of Education commits to:

- organize and lead the meetings in ways that are creative, fun and real;
- provide safe and challenging opportunities for growth;
- treat you with respect and honor your time and contributions; and
- value you as an equal partner in program development.

Signature

Date



STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL **PARENTAL CONSENT FORM**

I understand that if my child _____ is selected as a member of the 2018-19 Student Advisory Council (SAC), I will support my child in attending all meetings held this school year. I further agree that my child's name, photo, school, and grade-level information may be released to the media.

I acknowledge that if my child is selected as a member of SAC, my child may be involved in discussions on potentially sensitive issues such as: (a) technology needs; (b) college and career-readiness; (c) dropout rate; (d) student leadership; (e) graduation requirements; (f) testing; (g) school climate; (h) at risk behaviors including suicide; (i) career and technical education; (j) other areas as determined by SAC; and (k) other areas assigned by the Board.

AGREED AND ACCEPTED BY:

Print parent (or guardian) name

Parent (or guardian) signature

Date

**Utah State Board of Education's
Student Advisory Council Tentative Meeting Dates 2018-19 School Year**



The Student Advisory Council (SAC) meetings will begin at 2:30. SAC Meetings for the 2018-19 school year will be on the following dates (subject to change by vote of the SAC):

- November 9, 2018
- January 11, 2019
- March 8, 2019
- May 10, 2019