

STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

TERMS OF REFERENCE

PURPOSE

Manitoba students are at the heart of our education system and their opinions should play an important role in the decisions that affect them. The establishment of the Student Advisory Council will enable youth to contribute their voice in shaping our education system in Manitoba.

ELIGIBILITY

Council members

- are Manitoba residents
- are between 14 to 18 years of age as of September 1 in the school year in which they serve
- represent the diversity of Manitoba students
- are knowledgeable about issues related to education
- have the ability to work with other people and on a team
- are approachable and effective communicators
- engage in respectful, open discussions, and are accepting of differing viewpoints
- may not be employed by the Manitoba government
- are willing to serve for a one-year term

RESPONSIBILITIES

The Student Advisory Council members are 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

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.

REMUNERATION

There is no remuneration. Council members from outside Winnipeg will be reimbursed reasonable travel expenses as per the Province of Manitoba's travel and accommodation policies.
