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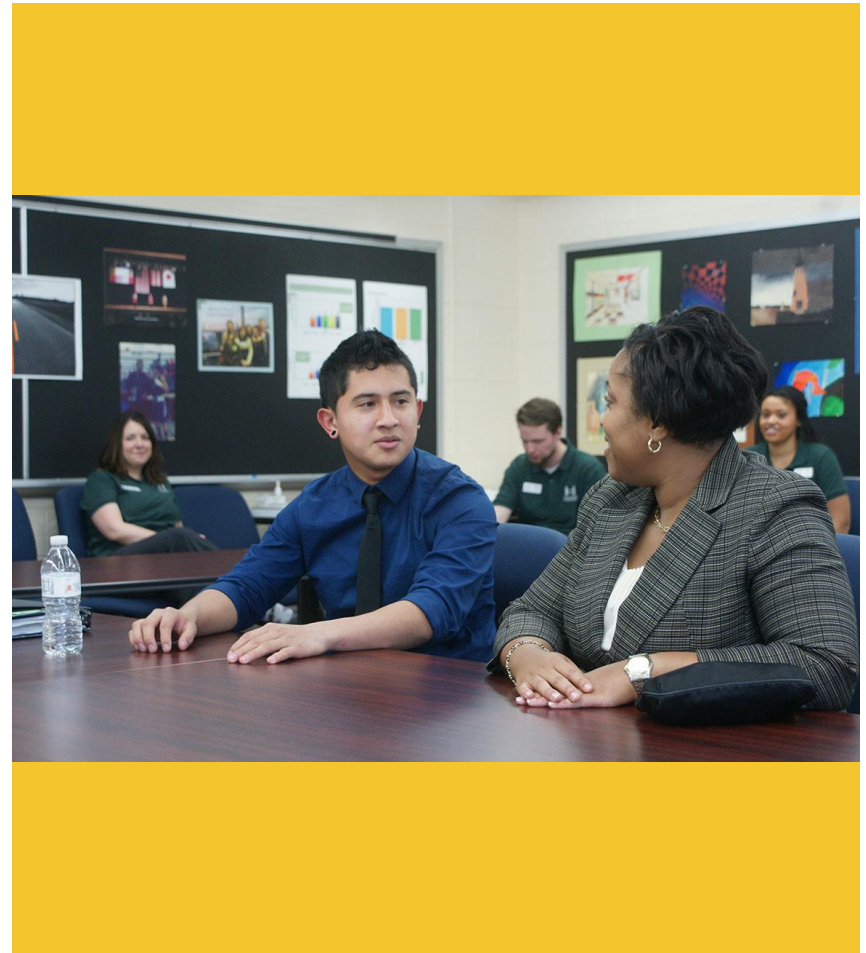
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# Superintendent Student Advisory Council

**Darienne B. Driver, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools**  
**T.R. Williams, Alumni and Student Engagement Associate**  
January 14, 2016  
Parent and Community Engagement Committee Meeting

# SSAC Goals

- ✓ Engage a diverse student voice
- ✓ Develop hard and soft skills
- ✓ Promote civic engagement
- ✓ Provide exposure to decision making processes



# SSAC Student Selection Process



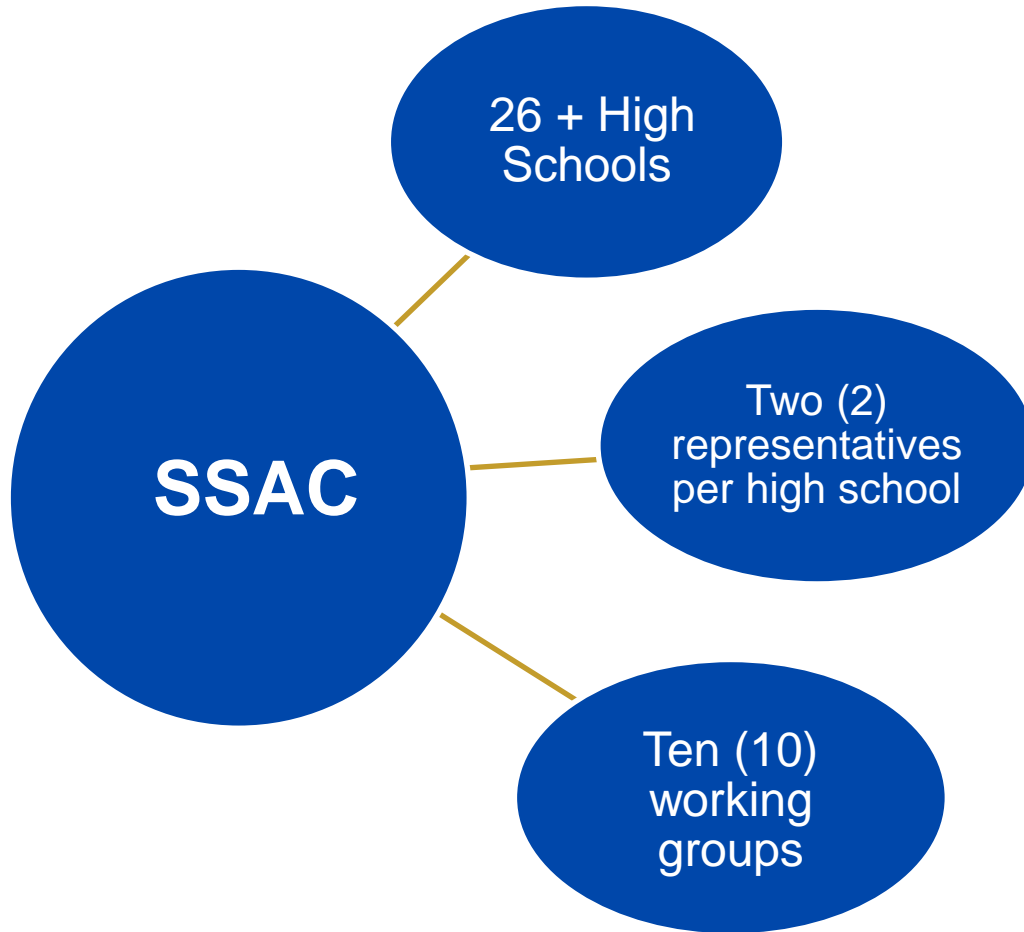
Interested students are required to submit an application

## Application Includes:

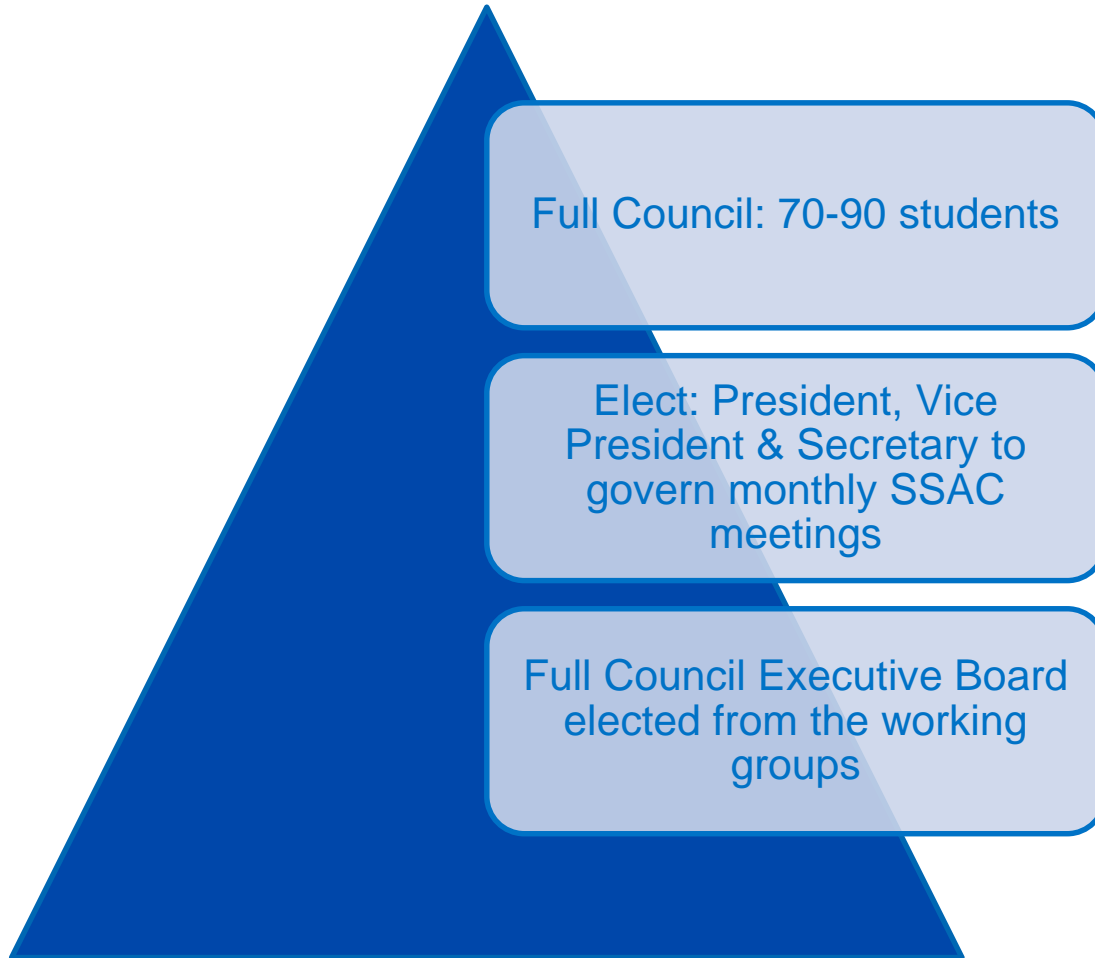
- Student G.P.A.
- Fall and Spring semester course load
- Extracurricular activities
- Two (2) references
- “My Space”



# SSAC Format



# SSAC Structure



# SSAC Working Groups



10 working groups  
( 7- 9 students per  
group)

Advisor for each  
working group



Each working group  
selects a chairperson  
and secretary of the  
group



# SSAC Overview

- ❖ SSAC Members commit to three (3) consecutive semesters of leadership
- ❖ **Content of SSAC Term:**
  - ❖ Capstone research project
  - ❖ Monthly Meetings with Dr. Driver, each semester
  - ❖ “Brown Bag” lunches with District leaders, each semester
  - ❖ “Executive Roundtables” with community leaders, each semester
  - ❖ Attendance at School Board Meetings, each semester
  - ❖ Attendance at School Board Committee Meetings, each semester
- ❖ Culmination of SSAC term: Capstone Presentation

# The Capstone Model

## A Project- Based Design

- Research MPS and public education topics
- Use conventional and unconventional resource tools
- Make recommendations to Dr. Driver at Capstone Presentation
- Earn Service Learning credit towards graduation requirements





# Next Steps

## January



- Student applications submitted
- Selection committee assembled
- 2016- 2017 council members selected
- Student and parent commitment meeting

## February



- First full council meeting of the SSAC
- Working groups assembled
- Advisors matched with each working group

## March



- Each working group meets with paired advisor
- Capstone research topics selected by each working group



# Superintendent Student Advisory Council

## MPS Board of School Directors    MPS Senior Team

**Michael Bonds, Ph.D., President, District 3**

**Larry Miller, Vice President, District 5**

**Mark Sain, District 1**

**Wendell J. Harris, Sr., District 2**

**Annie Woodward, District 4**

**Tatiana Joseph, Ph.D., District 6**

**Claire Zautke, District 7**

**Carol Voss, District 8**

**Terrence Falk, At-Large**

**Darienne B. Driver, Ed.D., Superintendent**

**Gina Spang, P.E., Chief of Staff**

**Tonya Adair, Chief Innovation & Information Officer**

**Daniel Chanen, J.D., Chief Human Capital Officer**

**Ruth Maegli, Chief Academic Officer**

**Gerald Pace, J.D., Chief Financial Officer**

**Wendell Willis, Chief Operations Officer**

**Keith Posley, Ed.D., Chief School Administration Officer**

**Sue Saller, Executive Coordinator, Superintendent's Initiatives**

**Ashley Lee, Special Assistant to the Superintendent**