Superintendent Student Advisory Council

Darienne B. Driver, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools
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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

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- 26 + High Schools
- Two (2) representatives per high school
- Ten (10) working groups
SSAC Structure

Full Council: 70-90 students

Elect: President, Vice President & Secretary to govern monthly SSAC meetings

Full Council Executive Board elected from the working groups
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
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