



Board of Education of the City of Chicago

Honorary Student Board Member Application

2018-2019

Completed applications must be received by 5:00 pm on April 6, 2018. Students may submit applications in any of the following ways:

- Email: studentboardmember@cps.edu
- Fax: (773) 553-1601
- Mail or delivery to:

Chicago Board of Education Office
Attn: Honorary Student Board Member Intake
1 N. Dearborn Street, Suite 950
Chicago, IL 60602

If you have questions, please call the Board Office at (773) 553-1600.

Student Checklist

Please use the checklist below to ensure that you are submitting a completed application. Applications with missing information will be marked "Incomplete" and will not be considered.

Step 1

If you are interested in applying for the Honorary Student Board Member position, you must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- An overall grade point average of at least 3.0
- An attendance Rate of at least 90%
- Proven leadership experience
- A sponsor/chaperone who will agree to accompany you to the monthly Board Meetings

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Minimum eligibility criteria met

Step 2

Complete the attached application.

- Answer all questions on the application
- Include a resume highlighting leadership roles and accomplishments
- Include typed essay questions and your answers on separate sheets that should be no more than 5 pages long

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Application, resume, and essays completed

Step 3

Complete the certification and signatures page. *All signatures are required.*

- Principal certification and signature
- Parent/Guardian signature
- Chaperone signature

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Certification/Agreement page completed

Step 4

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Submitted completed application

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HONORARY STUDENT BOARD MEMBER CHICAGO BOARD OF EDUCATION

(Please print clearly)

Name: _____ Age: _____ School ID #: _____

Home Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

School: _____ Year in School: ☐ 10th (rising Junior for 2018-2019 school year)

☐ 11th (rising Senior for 2018-2019 school year)

E-mail Address: _____ (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY)

Are you a member of? *(Check all that apply and include the school year you held the office.)*

☐ _____ Student Council (president, vice president, treasurer, secretary)

☐ _____ Student Voice Committee

☐ _____ LSC Student Representative

☐ _____ Student Voice and Activism Fellowship

☐ _____ CPS Student Advisory Council

☐ _____ Other student or community organizations where a leadership role was held

Are you multilingual?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list language(s): _____

Do you have experience with public speaking?

☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list those experience(s): _____

- 1) Please submit a resume highlighting your leadership role(s) and accomplishments.
- 2) Please answer all three of the following questions in the order listed. Essays should be typed, include the question before each answer, and no more than five pages in length.
 - a) What are the issues you believe are important to CPS students? Discuss one issue about which you are passionate.
 - b) The Honorary Student Board Member has the opportunity to represent views of students beyond themselves. How would you work to gather the input and viewpoints of the larger student community?
 - c) Describe a time where you felt like you took a leadership role or worked to make a change in your school or community.

Shadow Student Opportunity

In addition to having a student serve as the Honorary Student Board Member at each monthly Board Meeting, the Board also selects students to serve as Shadow Students. Each Shadow Student attends one Board Meeting between October and April.

If you are not selected as the Honorary Student Board Member, would you be interested in serving as a Shadow Student?

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Yes

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No

CPS Student Advisory Council Appointed Member

If you are selected as the Honorary Student Board Member, you are expected to serve as an appointed member to the CPS Student Advisory Council. The CPS Student Advisory Council is composed of 20 youth from high schools across the city. The group advises the Chief Executive Officer of Chicago Public Schools on the youth perspective of all school-related policies and issues. The Council members work in subcommittees with CPS leaders to develop action plans based on youth led research on building community investment in neighborhood schools. You would have the opportunity to participate in the 7-week research summer program (you will be paid for participating). As the 2018-2019 school year begins, sessions begin Mid-September with the expectation of 40 hours of attendance per semester (2-3 meetings per month). Meetings are often held on CPS off days and after school.

Timeline

April 6, 2018	5:00 pm Application Deadline
April 16 – 19, 2018	Candidate Interviews at the Central Office
April 23 – 25, 2018	Finalist Interviews
End of April 2018	Honorary Student Board Member meets with Board of Education staff to review/discuss expectations
End of April 2018	Honorary Student Board Member introduced to Board President
End of April 2018	Honorary Student Board Member introduced to CPS Student Advisory Council Director
May 23, 2018	Honorary Student Board Member seated at the May Board Meeting
June 26 – August 10, 2018	CPS Student Advisory Council 7-Week Research Summer Program (paid for participation) <i>Students attend sessions Tuesday- Friday 10am- 3pm for 7 weeks</i>
September 2018 – May 2019	Honorary Student Board Member attends regular monthly Board Meetings (will be held every fourth Wednesday of each month, unless otherwise noted)
September 2018 – June 2019	Honorary Student Board Member attends CPS Student Advisory Council sessions with the expectation of 40 hours of attendance per semester (2-3 meetings per month) - often held on CPS off days and after school

Certification and Signatures

PRINCIPAL CERTIFICATION: I certify that this candidate meets the minimum eligibility criteria for the office of Honorary Student Board Member to the Board of Education of the City of Chicago.

Signature of Principal

Date

Printed Name of Principal

E-mail

Phone

PARENT/GUARDIAN AGREEMENT: I give permission for my child to serve as the Honorary Student Board Member to the Board of Education of the City of Chicago if he/she is so selected.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

Printed Name of Parent/Guardian

CHAPERONE AGREEMENT: I will accompany this candidate to the Monthly Board of Education Meetings if he/she is selected.

Signature of Chaperone

Date

Printed Name of Chaperone

Title of Chaperone
or Relationship to Student

The above statements **MUST** be signed in order for the student to serve as the Honorary Student Board Member to the Board of Education of the City of Chicago.

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See front cover for instructions on how to submit.