

Dr. Anne Anderson High School

Student Senate 2021/22

Description

The Board of Trustees values youth voice and leadership, and has approved the establishment of a Student Senate. The Student Senate provides Division students with the opportunity to meaningfully engage in the democratic process and collaborate on educational issues and initiatives that matter to them.

Each Division high school is eligible to have up to two students sit on the Student Senate. An aim of the Student Senate is to reflect the broad diversity represented in our Division's student population. All eligible students with an interest in leadership, gathering and sharing student voice, and education issues are encouraged to put their names forward.

To be considered as a nominee for the Student Senate, please read the following criteria and responsibilities and complete the form on the other side of this page. Submit the form to your school.

Criteria

Dr. Anne Anderson High School will be selecting two Student Senators for the 2021-2022 school year. To be considered for the Student Senate, you must:

- Be registered as a full-time Grade 11 student at Dr. Anne Anderson High School during the 2021-22 school year
- Commit to working as a Student Senator for the entire 2021-2022 school year
- Demonstrate a commitment to learning and citizenship, as evidenced through:
 - school attendance
 - academic effort
 - behaviours and attitudes that contribute to a positive environment, both in the school and the broader community
- Have the support of at least two EPSB staff members who you have worked with in the past two years.
- Be able to make a significant time commitment and participate in events outside of and possibly during the school day

Note: Student Senators from 2020-21 who meet the criteria above are eligible to express interest for this year using the attached application.

Student Senator Responsibilities

Student Senators will need to be able to:

- Attend and participate in all regularly scheduled Student Senate meetings (10-12 meetings), held online or at the Centre for Education, outside of the school day
- Collaborate to develop, revise and abide by Student Senate processes, protocols and norms
- Engage peers in their school and other Division schools to gather and share information
- Represent the perspective and voice of students in student-related matters of education
- Participate in Student Senate orientation and media training
- Work with the Board of Trustees and Division staff assigned to support the Student Senate
- Adhere to Board policies, procedures and guidelines for confidentiality and the appropriate use of technology
- Read regular communications and documents related to Student Senate
- Elect three Student Trustees for the 2021-22 school year
- Contribute to formal reports to be presented to the Board of Trustees on behalf of the Student Senate

The Student Senate will elect three Student Trustees. Student Trustee Responsibilities:

- Attend official Board functions and events as appropriate and reasonable
- Attend three Board meetings, during the school day

Application Rubric:

Please see the last page of this document for detailed information on how applications will be adjudicated. Exemplary applications will:

- be clear, focused, detailed, specific and well organized
- clearly demonstrate an understanding of the role of a Student Senator and their connection to the goals and success of the Student Senate
- demonstrate interest and passion for youth voice, engagement and leadership
- provide detailed evidence of active involvement within a school or community setting, or a desire to be involved
- provide specific evidence of excellent leadership and teamwork experiences
- demonstrate excellent communication skills

Student Senate 2021/22 Application

Please make a copy of this document to create your application.

Personal Information:

First and Last Name:			
Current High School:		Next Year's Grade: (Must be in GRADE 11 next year.)	
EPSB Email:		Phone Number:	

Written Response:

1. Why are you interested in this opportunity? What do you believe the role of the EPSB Student Senate should be? What specific issues in education do you think the Student Senate should address?

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2. As a Student Senator, you will be expected to assume an active leadership role in the school and the greater division. Please describe your leadership skills, attributes and values that will support your work as Dr. Anne Anderson School's Student Senator.

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3. Tell us about a leadership experience you have been involved in within the past two years. What was the project? What was your role in the project? What challenges did you face? What were the results of this project?

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4. As Student Senator for Dr. Anne Anderson School, you will be representing the voices of students at Dr. Anne Anderson as well as those in the Dr. Anne Anderson catchment. This will be challenging and important work. You will also need to keep students engaged and invested in Student Senate work.

How do you plan on garnering feedback from your peers and students in other schools? How will you determine what issues/topics are of interest to youth in our school? How will you continuously engage students in the Student Senate?

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5. The time commitment involved in being a Student Senator will be considerable. How will you manage your workload in order that you fulfill the expectations of being a Student Senator, while still being able to keep up with your studies and any other obligations that you are committed to or responsible for?

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6. The past year has been one of great change and uncertainty as we have dealt with the global COVID-19 pandemic. How has your view of the role of school changed through this unprecedented period? As we move forward, what needs to stay the same? What might need to change when it comes to schooling or education?

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7. Do you have any conflicts of interest that you are aware of and that may impede you from fulfilling your duties as a Student Senator? If no, please put "N/A" (not applicable). If yes, please explain.

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EPSB Staff References:

Please provide two Edmonton Public School staff members who will act as references for your application. They must be staff members who you have worked with in the past two years. References will be contacted.

First and Last Name:			
Current School:		Relation:	
EPSB Email:		Phone:	

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Thank You

Thank you for expressing interest in being considered as a potential Student Senator for Dr. Anne Anderson School. Please note that interested students may also be interviewed by a teacher committee before final selections are made. **All applications are due by 12:00 pm on**

Friday, September 10th, 2021. Please submit completed applications to our Assistant Principal, Mr. Daniel Card (daniel.card@epsb.ca), by email or using Google Drive. Successful candidates will be notified no later than Friday, June 18. Late applications will not be accepted.

Application Rubric:

	High	Medium	Low
Responses are on topic and focused; Ideas support and achieve stated purpose			
Clearly demonstrates an understanding of the role of a Student Senator and their connection to the goals and success of the Student Senate			
Words and expressions used are intended audience appropriate.			
Format of responses are effective. Responses are very well-organized.			
Clarity, conciseness, appropriate tone and language are consistently employed.			
Responses are thoughtful, reflective, and detailed.			
Provides detailed evidence of active involvement within a school or community setting, or a desire to be involved; Provides specific evidence of excellent leadership or teamwork experiences			
OVERALL ASSESSMENT			