



Education Voters of PA Public Education Champions Advocates: Project Description and Role

Project Description: Public Education Champions in the 2023-2024 cohort are volunteers who will advocate for adequate and equitable school funding by engaging within their school district and broader community with the support of Education Voters of PA. The goal of the project is to identify and educate parents and community members to increase their engagement around key public education funding issues on state policy matters.

Responsibilities include:

- Think creatively about how to identify people in a community to engage in school funding issues and turn those ideas into action.
- Be a passionate advocate for supporting public schools and identify others who feel the same way.
- Be outspoken and action-oriented about the need to improve policy and support for children.
- Make plans to engage and lift up the voices of parents and community members who believe in public schools!

Duties include attending training sessions with Ed Voters and other PECs monthly, developing relationships with school leaders and other community stakeholders, preparing to attend school board meetings and other meetings to support the local school districts. PEC advocates are volunteers who engage with the program in whatever way works for them.

Please note: This program focuses on state and local funding and policy issues related to resource equity. If you are interested in engaging with their school district on book bans, LGBTQ+ discrimination, and other related issues, the Pennsylvanians for Welcoming and Inclusive Schools (PA WInS) group is a better fit for this work.

Terms

- **Public Education Champions-Advocates**
 - Advocates will have access to training modules to assist in their development and to provide the framework for future work with Ed Voters and their local communities.
 - Advocates will be encouraged to attend the program throughout the school year: (September to early November and mid-January to June), a total of 34 weeks during the fall and spring).
 - Advocates will be encouraged to attend the first monthly meeting with Ed Voters Program Coordinators and other Champions with the option of attending the second meeting if approved by the Ed Voters Program Coordinators.
 - Advocates have the option to engage in activities and develop a SMART Goal in the spring with the support of Ed Voters Program Coordinators.

If you are interested in a more intensive role, please check out our [Public Education Champions-Fellows program](#).

To apply, click [HERE](#).