

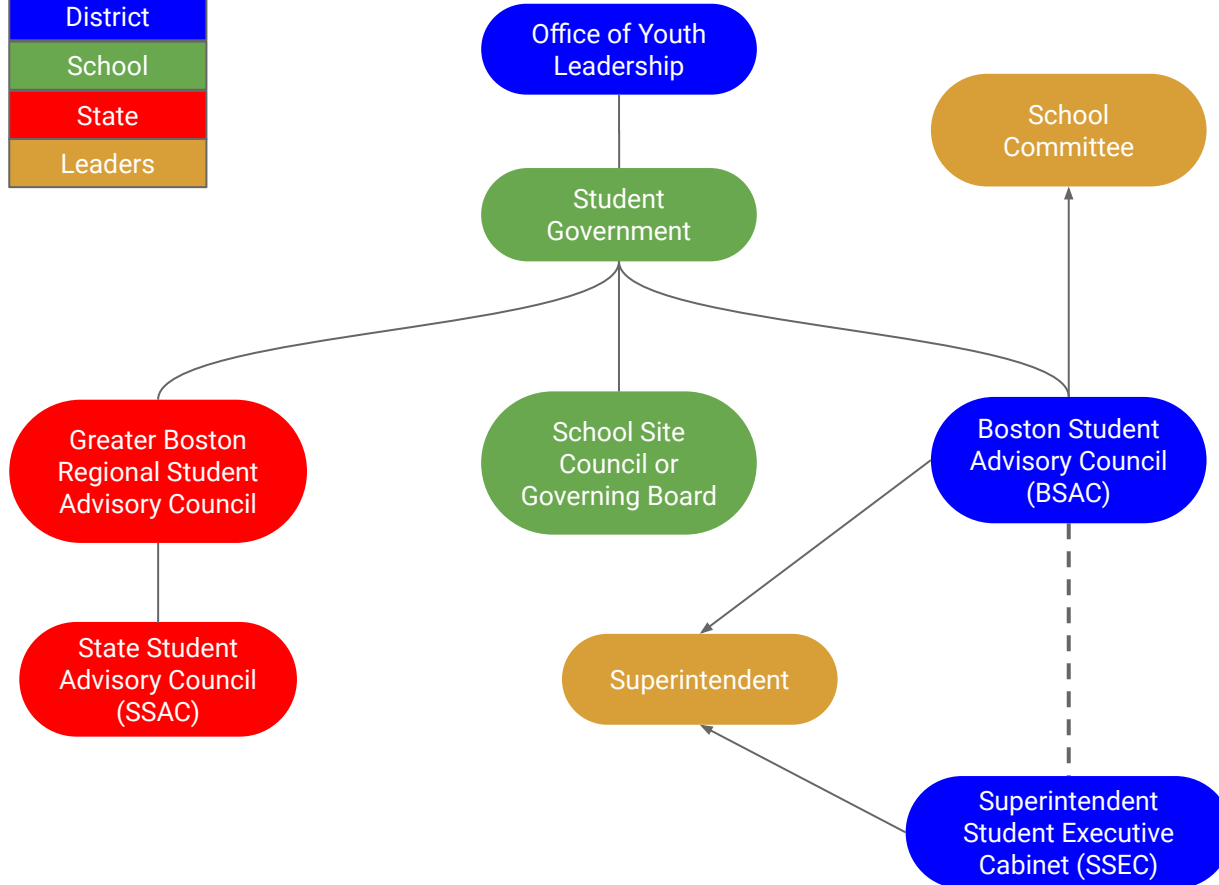
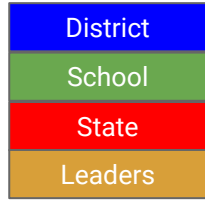
Boston Public Schools

**Boston Student Advisory
Council Reform**





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BPS Student Engagement within the Division of Student Support

Strategic Plan:

~ *Commitment 3*

~ *Priorities 3.1 & 3.5*

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OVERVIEW

- ❑ 4 hour training on the Racial Equity & Planning Tool (During the school year and summer)
- ❑ Finalized Bylaws with past BSAC members and 24 youth from the BPS Summer Enrichment Program

YOUNG LEADERS

- ❑ Designed and finalized new logo
- ❑ Voted on a new admission process into BSAC and created the admissions application and rubric
- ❑ Met with State and City Officials
- ❑ Created a new structure for BSAC
- ❑ New upcoming BSAC web page
- ❑ Community outreach

Racial Equity & Planning Tool Training

DESIRED OUTCOMES

- Amplify youth voice by increasing youth decision making power
- Increase student representation on BSAC particularly for historically marginalized populations, including students from Black, Latinx, Native American, Asian, English learners and low-income communities as well as students with disabilities.
- Have an equal partnership with adults: co-planning, co-executing and having shared responsibility for outcomes.
- Equal representation of High Schools

BSAC Mission

The Boston Student Advisory Council (BSAC) is a body of **selected** high school student representatives from across the Boston Public Schools. Student leaders represent their respective high schools, serving as the primary vehicle for student voice and engagement within the Boston Public Schools district. The council works to amplify student voices across the city. **The Council has three main purposes: Environmental Justice; Student Rights and Student Voice; and School Climate & Culture Improvement.** The Boston Student Advisory Council (BSAC) works to bring students from all over the district to address these issues.

What to Expect from BSAC?

BSAC activities include but are not limited to:

1. Participate in enrichment activities co-created and co-facilitated by members
2. Engage in various climate-related organizing efforts on a variety of topics, including community choice solar, gas leaks, and zero waste
3. Partner with BPS Officials and Departments to advise, support and assist in advancing BPS priorities as needed

Recruitment and Membership

Eligibility:

1. Student must attend a high school(9-12) within the Boston Public School District
2. Interest in involving themselves with the Boston Student Advisory Council
3. Submit an application for membership at the beginning of the new school year
4. No more than 2 council members per school.
5. Must become members of their Student Government and regularly attend Student Government meetings.

Recruitment:

1. BSAC will host and attend recruitment events, both in-person and virtual to inform students and attract a diverse body of students.
2. BSAC members who have served on the council for more than one year will be given the opportunity to be part of a recruitment group to recruit new members.

How can Students Join?

1. Any student from each High School will be able to fill out the BSAC application.
2. The BSAC application will be sent to their student government, each student government will vote using a rubric to pick their new BSAC student representative.
3. Student Government will forward their new BSAC representation to the Office of Youth Leadership.
4. Returning Members who were a part of BSAC, before May 1st of 2021 will be considered grandfathered in terms of knowledge, and experience, and therefore are able to perform their duties and responsibilities as a BSAC members only if they are able to commit to the new terms and agreements.

NOTE: SY 2021-2022 is a Pilot Year, only 1 student per school can serve

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Much More....

Thank You

Any questions, comments or concerns?