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Board of Education Accepting Applications for District Advisory Committees

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education is currently accepting applications for openings on some of it district advisory committees (DACs). Applications can be found at: <u>https://www.smmusd.org/domain/118</u>.

Completed applications are due to the district office no later than June 2, 2023.

Members of the public are encouraged to apply to serve on one of the following committees: Early Learning, Health and Safety, Special Education, and Visual and Performing Arts.

The Board of Education is scheduled to make appointments to fill committee vacancies at its June 29, 2023, regular meeting, which will be held at the district office. Membership terms range from one to three years to allow for a balance of expiring terms each year.

District advisory committees provide a method whereby citizens and educators can understand better the attitudes and opinions that are held in the school-community environment. The attainment of excellence through equity focuses the work of these committees as they advise the on school problems, needs, and issues from a balanced, logical, and analytic perspective, as the need arises. It is not the intention that advisory committees become policy-making bodies or that they manage or direct staff. Committees are advisory in nature only; that is, they inform, suggest, and recommend to the Board of Education.

All DAC members are expected to:

- 1. Keep excellence through equity as the primary focus
- 2. Recognize and respect differences of perspective and style on the committee and among staff, students, parents and/or guardians and the community
- 3. Conduct him/herself in a dignified and professional manner, treating everyone with civility and respect

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