

STUDENT BOARD REPORT

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**OAKLAND UNIFIED
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Community Schools, Thriving Students

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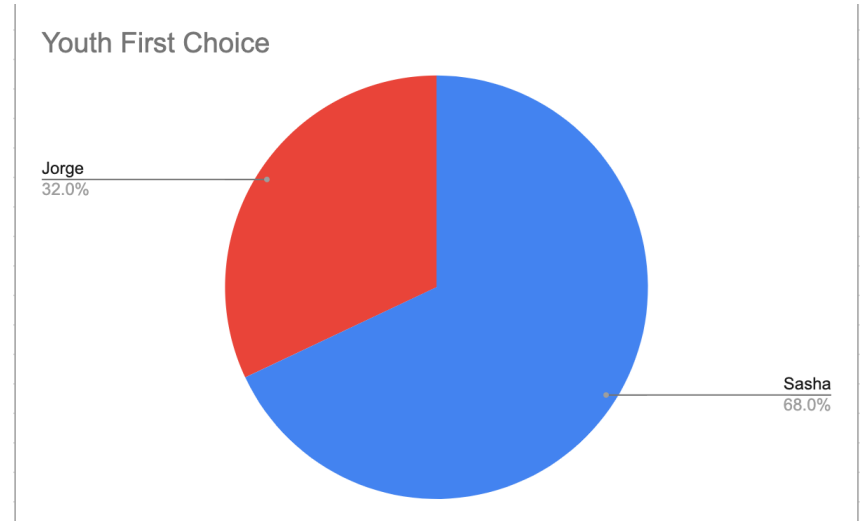
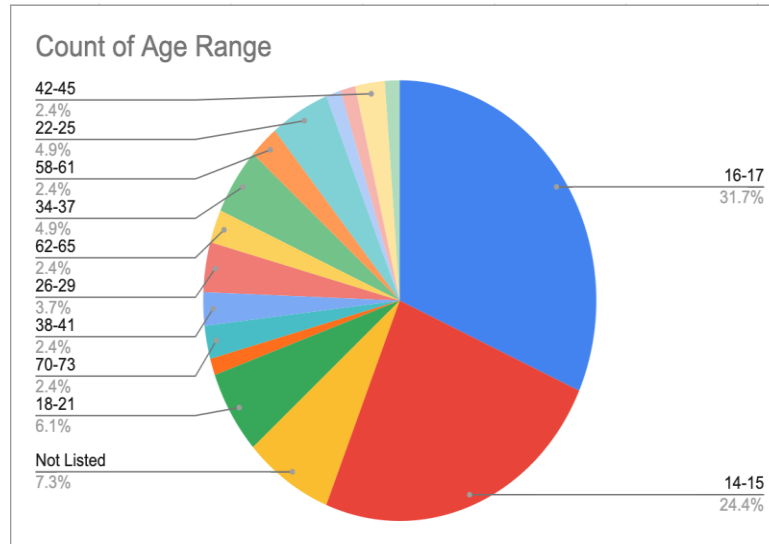
1st Middle School Meeting

- 18 students from 5 middle schools: Claremont, Edna Brewer, Bret Harte, Urban Promise Academy (UPA), Frick United
- Frick United Hosted - Frick Student Leaders gave us a welcome, provided activities for students to get to know each other, and shared an activity they do within leadership: Mindful Moments
- Students got to know leaders from across the Middle Schools present, reviewed case studies about student-led movements in OUSD, got an understanding of what Action Planning and Action Projects are, and started brainstorming what they would like to address this year
 - Some issues that students came up with (and are interested in addressing):
 - Bathrooms
 - Safety/Security
 - Quality of Teachers
 - Inclusivity/Student-Student Relationships/Racial Slurs
- Next Middle School Meeting is in December at Edna Brewer



Youth Candidate Forum

- About 135 people in attendance
- Questions for candidates were related to shared decision making, school food, mental health, school safety, school closures/consolidations, student homelessness, and restorative justice
- 82 attendees participated in mock voting (majority were students)



LISTENING TO STUDENT VOICES

ACC 2023-2024 Priorities

- At ACC's Fall Retreat student leaders voted on three priorities for the 2023-2024 school year:
 - School Safety
 - Mental Health
 - OYV (Oakland Youth Vote)

Highlighting Student Voice: Bret Harte

- Bret Harte's partnership with Sequoia Elementary
 - Every Thursday Bret Harte student leaders walk over to their neighboring elementary school to be reading buddies
 - Bret Harte leaders are also building community with their reading buddies and enjoy being able to go every week



Highlighting Student Voice: Frick United

- Safety Concerns Around Their Neighborhood
 - Car/Street Safety
 - Suspicious activity from individuals soliciting around the school
- Are there opportunities for partnership with their leadership and the city?

STUDENT LEADERSHIP & EVENTS

Newly Elected GB Members

- Positions open for special elections were: Historian, and 2 LCAP Directors
- Voting Period for All City Council Governing Board's Special Election was open until October 17th
- Our winners are:
 - 1st LCAP Director: Emily Barajas, 12th grader at Skyline
 - 2nd LCAP Director: Ariana Astorga Vega, 11th grader at Oakland Tech
 - Historian: Calupe Kaufusi, 9th grader at McClymonds



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Thank you

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