

# All City Council

## An Introduction

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# Mission, Vision, and Purpose



# Mission and Purpose

- ✎ The All City Council (ACC) student union seeks to create positive change in our schools. We amplify student voice by serving as a bridge between adult decision makers and the student body. We are a diverse team of student leaders who represent or are elected by the masses of students at our schools. ACC organizes campaigns and activities to serve the assessed need of our constituents; including addressing internalized, interpersonal, and institutional oppression in our daily lives and the daily functioning of our schools and working towards solutions.

# All City Council Vision

☞ We envision:

- ☞ 1) A strong, unified All City Council (ACC) student union with open and constant communication with the OUSD's general student body and functions as a powerful student union. ACC has the power to make its voice heard on all issues that impact students and is supported by an Office of Student Engagement with its own meeting space, website, and budget.
- ☞ 2) Schools where students' outlook on school is transformed by engaging in leadership. Students get the support and classes they need from the District, administration, teachers, parents, and community to be job-ready and college-ready, artistically expressive, leaders, and role models.
- ☞ 3) A District where students are actively involved in advising and/or decision making on policies relating to all issues impacting students as well as sit on hiring panels where appropriate.
- ☞ 4) A District where leadership has formal place during the school-day as well as in a multitude of quality after school and community based programs where many students are able to participate in improving their schools and communities.

# Representative Leadership



# What is Representative Leadership?

- ✎ ACC is committed to representing ALL students in OUSD, and we, as members of the Governing Board, spend our meetings planning on how to engage and represent ALL students.
- ✎ We create spaces and opportunities for students to authentically engage and give feedback. All City Council has many different access points for students to make their voice heard, share their real time experiences (in person and through our surveys/research projects), and give feedback on our process.
- ✎ As representatives on the Board of Education, we take all of this feedback, and put it into our Student Board Member Report.

# Representative Leadership (con't)

∞ For example:

- ACC meets with high school student leaders, called “ACC Delegates” monthly. From there, we take ACC Delegate feedback- which we capture through every meeting in the form of school updates and other notes- and bring them to our Governing Board meetings.
- At Governing Board meetings, we review Delegate information, and create ways to lift up concerns and good work.
- These Delegates concerns and good work are then reflected in the bi-weekly Student Board member reports that are sent to the School Board.
- The process is the same for middle schools.
- We also make sure that we use other events, such as retreats and forums, to capture information that we can then funnel into student board reports and monthly updates to school sites.



# Our Commitment to Equity

- ✧ As All City Council, we understand that the voices that are most necessary to hear are the ones that are most unheard.
- ✧ As a student union, and student-led organization, we believe that students who are disenfranchised are often the most able to speak to the issues in our communities, and to create interesting solutions to our problems.
- ✧ We make it our goal to work with students who have had some of the most hardships, whether it be academic, interpersonal, or systemic.

# ACC Structure



# Governing Board

Our governing Board is comprised of 10 different positions:  
(Elected every year, at our district-wide student election,  
during Spring ACC Youth Leadership Summit/OR final ACC  
Meeting)

- ✧ President
- ✧ Vice President
- ✧ Student Board Director (2)
- ✧ LCAP Student Director (2)
- ✧ Hxstorian
- ✧ Parliamentarian
- ✧ Secretary
- ✧ Media Director

# Committees

- ✧ Our governing board is split into 2 different committees:
- ✧ Middle School Committee (5 members):
  - In charge of planning, facilitating, and following up on Middle School monthly ACC meetings. Are also in charge of facilitating the education, training, and execution of Middle School action projects at school sites.
- ✧ High School committee (5 members):
  - In charge of planning, facilitating, and following up on High School monthly meetings for ACC. Are also in charge of creating the research tools for the yearly campaign, as well as doing education and organizing with their peers around the research and recommendations.

# ACC Delegates

- ✎ ACC Membership is comprised of 3-6 ACC Delegates from each OUSD high school.
- ✎ ACC Delegates are elected by the masses of students at their school sites, during the regular student leadership election (for class officers, student body officers, etc)
- ✎ Leadership Teachers are supported by the Department of Community Schools Student Services, Youth and Family Engagement Office, to run democratic student elections, and provide coaching for the site action projects and ACC campaign.

# Meetings

**A general breakdown of our meeting structure is as follows:**

***4 Governing Board Meetings per month***

(Wednesdays, 5-6 or 4-6, depending on whether there is a School Board Meeting)

***1 High School Meeting per Month***

(held at different high school sites throughout OUSD on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month)

***1 Middle School Meeting per Month***

(held at different Middle School sites on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month)

# Action Projects and Campaigns



# Campaigns

✧ All City Council, as an advocacy organization, understands that we have a vital role in creating change, and engaging change makers. Although each year is different, we make sure that all action we take is in line with our larger platform for quality education, which is our ***100% College and Career Ready – Making A-G Real*** campaign. Currently, we have four major components to our campaign (putting into action our student recommendations):

- ✧ ***Students on a Hiring Committee***
- ✧ ***Student Trainings for Educators***
- ✧ ***Safety and School Climate***
- ✧ ***Student Evaluation of Educators***



# Action Projects

- ✧ As All City Council, we believe that it is integral to give all students an opportunity to engage in decision-making and planning at their school sites. For the Middle School cohort, this means creating opportunities for students to engage at the site level in recommendations that ACC has already made. The action projects- which must address a root cause to an issue identified by students - can range from things like school beautification, to the creation of a youth center.
- ✧ The All City Council Governing Board actively educates and works with middle school students to not only think up and plan their projects, but to execute and evaluate them afterwards as well.

# Questions?



# Thanks!

