



KNOX COUNTY SCHOOLS DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL (DAC) PARENT REPRESENTATIVE INFORMATION SHEET

The Knox County Schools District Advisory Council and Your Child's School Needs YOU!

The Knox County Schools District Advisory Council (DAC) is composed of parent representatives from all schools, community business leaders, Board of Education members and district staff.

The primary role of the council is to—

- Annually assess, through consultation with parents, the effectiveness of the district's Family & Community Engagement Policy and practices;
- Identify barriers to greater parental participation and engagement; and
- Identify and recommend actions to increase parental and community participation.

Other DAC Parent Representative responsibilities include, but are not limited to—

- Helping solicit and communicate the concerns of parents at the appointed school;
- Assisting the school in determining and implementing school-level opportunities for parents to share ideas;
- Submitting information from the school to the DAC when appropriate; and
- Sharing information from DAC meetings with appointed school.

DAC Membership

Each school is asked to have two parent representatives appointed by the school administration. Parent representatives must be a parent or guardian of a student attending the school for which they represent, but not an employee of the school. Alternates are highly encouraged.

DAC Meetings

The District Advisory Council meeting schedule is being prepared. Parent representatives or a "parent representative substitute" must attend each meeting. Dinner will be provided during district-wide meetings, and if you need to bring your child(ren), please feel free to do so.

How do I know the District Advisory Council is right for me?

Here are some things to consider:

- Are you able to provide helpful feedback and support efforts of family and community engagement?
- Do you want to make a difference?
- Are you willing to voice the concerns of parents at your child's school?
- Are you willing to advocate on the behalf of others?
- Are you able to fulfill the time commitment?

What are the steps to becoming a Parent Representative on the District Advisory Council?

If you are interested in serving your child's school as a DAC Parent Representative, please speak with the principal. You may also contact the KCS Family and Community Engagement Department for more information or to have questions answered.

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