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## Student Advocate Fellowship Program

### Vision

The Office of the Student Advocate guides and supports students, parents, families, and community members in navigating the public school system in DC. We provide step-by-step assistance for students, parents, families, and community members to be informed, be connected, and be empowered; we accomplish our goal of assisting students and their families achieve equal access to public education through advocacy, outreach, and information services. More information about our office can be found at <http://sboe.dc.gov/studentadvocate>.

### Key Responsibilities

Under the supervision of the Chief Student Advocate, fellows participate in all aspects of the office's support of DC students and families. This work includes but is not limited to:

- Responding to requests for assistance.
- Participating in and supporting parent engagement, advocacy, and outreach events.
- Developing and designing materials for various topics related to and impacting education.
- Assisting with outreach activities such as developing presentations and maintaining the office's social media presence.
- Assisting with web development and compliance.
- Attending conferences, briefings, and forums as a representative of the Office of Student Advocate.

### Learning Goals

- Increase familiarity with the District's public education systems.
- Develop a better understanding of stakeholder engagement, community organizing, and advocacy.
- Develop a better understanding of how to address common barriers affecting DC families and students at the individual and systemic level.

### Supervision and Compensation

- Managed by the Chief Student Advocate, who provides fellows with the necessary guidance and assistance to complete their projects.
- Student Advocate fellows work 20 hours per week.
- \$2,000 stipend provided if not receiving course credit.

### To Apply

- Submit resume and cover letter to [student.advocate@dc.gov](mailto:student.advocate@dc.gov).
- In your cover letter, please indicate (1) what weeks you are available in the spring semester. We are seeking fellows with availability starting in February and continuing through May or June, with a possibility of extension; (2) which days of the week you would be available for the fellowship; and (3) whether you are interested in the stipend or course credit.
- Applications accepted on a rolling basis until positions are filled.

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