**FACTSHEET**

**Who:** A diverse group of students in middle and high school (8th-11th grade) with varying interests and academic standing. We seek to include those who are willing and capable of voicing their opinions on key issues.

**Where:** MPB Student Council meetings may be both virtual and in-person. Regular monthly meetings will be via Zoom due to students' various locations across the state. We hope to meet in person at least once during the year.

**Parental Involvement:** Each student is required to have a parent or guardian sign the required participation documents, ensuring that the student is available to participate, and to support the student's work on projects.
What is the MPB Student Council?
The MPB's Student Council is a diverse group of middle and high school students in grades 8th-11th from across the state of Mississippi. Members receive hands-on career training, civic engagement opportunities increase social and media literacy skills, and lend their voices to Mississippi’s progress. Students actively serve as a liaison for MPB to their peers statewide. They champion the causes of many MPB projects, publish a podcast, and create projects geared specifically to their unique generation using their distinct habits and expressions. Council members are responsible for sharing new knowledge from involvement in various aspects of the agency's departments, programs, and services.

What is Expected of MPB Student Council members and their parents/caregivers?
1. Members must attend meetings regularly
2. Members should speak out at meetings. We need your creativeness.
3. Parents must show active support and sign off on student participation.

Why Join the MPB Student Council?
1. If you have a love for learning and acquiring knowledge.
2. If you have a passion for your MS community.
3. To build leadership skills.
4. To be creative.
5. To learn about Mississippi and why it is a great place to live, work and play.
6. For an opportunity to learn about many aspects of a business.

What is MPB?
Mississippi Public Broadcasting is a trusted multimedia organization that educates, enlightens, and entertains Mississippians through its departmental platforms-News, Radio, Television and Education. As the only statewide radio and television broadcast network, MPB provides valuable resources that reflects Mississippi’s unique culture and diverse heritage while connecting households and communities of all ages. Visit mpbonline.org for more information.

What is MPB Education?
MPB Education is a division within Mississippi Public Broadcasting that serves as a hands-on, robust, boots-on-the-ground provider of diverse educational services, resources, information, and programs offered face-to-face, virtually, and digitally. Our vision is to serve from a holistic perspective, focusing on a nurturing approach. We are dedicated to providing programs that have a lasting impact on our supporting village of parents, children, families, schools, and the community. Visit education.mpbonline.org for more information.

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Sign-up for MPB Student Council: Visit website education.mpbonline.org/mpb-student-council/