



The School Board is accepting applications for the Student Leadership Development Program, open to any high school freshman, sophomore, or junior in good academic standing. The program is for students interested in a future in law, government or public policy. Twelve students will be chosen to work closely with the School Board to how FCPS is governed and will give the students opportunities to participate on various advisory committees to the School Board, and even to seek election as the student representative on the School Board.

The Student Leaders attend and participate in:

- Group orientation (December 2024)
- School Board Forum or Committee Meeting (January – March 2025)
- School Board Work Session (January – March 2025)
- Mock Forum (Spring 2025)
- Mock Work Session (Spring 2025)
- Program Completion Ceremony (June 2025)

[Applications](#) for this year's program are available on the FCPS website under School Board. Students should submit the brief application, program requirements form, and one-page statement of interest to their principals by **September 30, 2024**. Principals will submit applications to the School Board Office by **October 15, 2024**. Each School Board member will select one student from their magisterial district, and the at-large members will select one student from all the applications received. The selected student leaders and remaining applicants will be notified by email by November 15, 2024.

Principals are encouraged to help advertise the program in the following ways:

1. Include it in the daily announcements.
2. Request that the government teachers provide the information to their freshman, sophomores, and juniors.
3. Request that the guidance counselors and career center specialists provide the information to their underclassmen.

For questions, please contact the School Board Office at 571-423-1075.