

ITEM FOR ACTION AT A FUTURE MEETING**EQUITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER SELECTION****SUMMARY**

For the 2024–25 school year, Beaverton School District will have open positions to fill on the Equity Advisory Committee. Staff will share the process and timeline for committee selection.

BACKGROUND

In 2021, the Oregon Legislature passed Senate Bill 732 requiring each school district to establish what the law calls an Educational Equity Advisory Committee. Beaverton School District had previously established an equity advisory group, the equitable policies task force, with members appointed after an open community application process in 2020–21. In fall 2022 the district reconstituted the committee to be further aligned with the new legislation.

Beaverton School District's Equity Advisory Committee under the new legislation will continue in 2024–25. The duties of the committee include informing and advising the superintendent and school board about the educational equity impacts of policy decisions, the experiences of underserved student groups, situations that arise in schools that impact underrepresented students, and the larger districtwide climate.

By law, the committee must be comprised of parents, employees, students and community members, and its membership must be primarily representative of underserved student groups and elevate underrepresented voices. One member must serve on both the equity committee and the budget committee. Current members of the school board and the superintendent are not eligible for appointment to the committee.

The superintendent is responsible for coordinating the member nomination process and recommending finalists to the board for appointment.

- Applications will be accepted from September 18–October 7, 2024.
- Openings will be publicized using the district's usual communication channels.
- Candidates will apply through the online application form.
- Applications will be selected and recommended to the superintendent for appointment.
- Recommended appointees will be presented for board approval on November 11, 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

In this meeting staff will share the planned process and timeline for committee selection. In the November 11 board meeting, the superintendent will recommend committee members to be appointed by the board.

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