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of Pennsylvania



## **Join a statewide movement to support and defend public education by becoming an Education Voters of PA Public Education Champion!**

**Project Description:** Public Education Champions in the 2025–2026 cohort are volunteers who will advocate for adequate and equitable school funding by engaging within their school district and broader community with the support of Education Voters of PA. The goal of the project is to continue to build a statewide movement to support and defend our public schools by educating and supporting individuals who will increase their engagement around key public education funding issues and state policy matters.

### **Public Education Champions Will:**

- Think creatively about how to identify people in a community to engage in school funding issues and turn those ideas into action;
- Be passionate advocates for supporting public schools and identifying others who feel the same way;
- Be outspoken and action-oriented about the need to improve policy and support for children;
- Make plans to engage and lift up the voices of parents and community members who believe in public schools;
- Attend monthly training sessions with Ed Voters and complete a program “project” in order to receive a completion certificate (see details below).
- Develop relationships with school leaders and other community stakeholders; and
- Advocate with state lawmakers for a budget and state policies that support public schools.



### **How It Works:**

- This program will run from September 2025– May 2026.
- Participants will be mailed a t-shirt, Ed Voters PA swag, and an advocacy toolkit!!
- We’ll meet once a month on Zoom, typically the third Wednesday of the month at 7 PM, for a training session on a specific topic within PA’s public education landscape.
- We’ll send you additional information on a monthly basis in an effort to build practical, real-world advocacy you can actually use.
- As a working goal throughout our meetings, you’ll choose one advocacy task to complete before the program ends. We’re here to help support you every step of the way!



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**Between September 2025 and May 2026, you'll join a statewide network of passionate public education advocates ready to grow their skills, deepen their understanding of Pennsylvania's education landscape, and take action for our public schools.**

## **What You'll Learn:**

- How school funding works in Pennsylvania — and how it doesn't.
- How to communicate effectively with lawmakers and decision-makers.
- Tools and strategies to talk about public education issues in your community.
- How to tell your personal story to inspire action.
- How to use social media, LTEs, op-eds, and community conversations to make an impact.
- The real impacts of cyber charter school spending and voucher programs.
- How to stay engaged in advocacy after the program ends.

## **Advocacy Task Options (you will pick one!):**

- Write a letter to the editor or op-ed.
- Set up a meeting with your state legislator to discuss your local district needs.
- Host a small house gathering or community conversation about school funding.
- Present to a local community group, PTA, or school board.
- Start a public education club or campaign on your campus or in your town.
- Come up with your own creative idea — we're here to help make it happen!

## **Ready To Sign Up?**

- Scan the QR code and enter your information into the Google Form.
- Space is limited – you will receive an email from us confirming your acceptance into the program.
- Please email [Lucas@educationvoterspa.org](mailto:Lucas@educationvoterspa.org) if you have any questions!!!!

