



Students Driving Education Policy in New Mexico

Imagine a world where **YOU** drive positive change in your school community

WHAT IS THE STUDENT LEADER NETWORK?

The Student Leadership Network (SLN) is a component of the PED's efforts to better inform policy decisions by engaging student voices in the policy-making process. The SLN has been established to ensure equity throughout educational policy-making decisions by elevating the voice of informed and engaged students throughout our state.

The SLN serves as a bridge between students and policymakers by:

- Facilitating engagement between Student Leaders and key policy-makers in education
- Offering trainings about the policy-making process
- Supporting student leaders as they engage with community stakeholders



WHY SHOULD YOU APPLY?

As a Student Leader, you will be the key point of contact between your school community and the New Mexico Public Education Department. You will be in charge of conducting outreach to community stakeholders such as students, families, local businesses, teachers, and district administration.

If students have knowledge of PED initiatives and access to PED policy makers...



Then students will be equipped to have a voice that influences school, district, and state level policies.

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU BECOME A STUDENT LEADER?

During the program, Student Leaders will:

- Learn about the barriers that keep students from receiving an equitable education and explore policy solutions with PED staff
- Engage with other Student Leaders from across the country through targeted objectives
- Identify policy issues in their community and engage with community leaders through student-led initiatives
- Engage with teachers, school administrators, and community members to create an issue driven network that can better inform PED policies

HOW TO APPLY

Applications for the 2019 SLN cohort are now available to complete online. Applications are due February 28th at 5pm. To apply please visit: <https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/policy-innovation-measurement/sln/>

If you are interested in taking part in the Student Leader Network and would like more information, please contact Camille Maloy at camille.maloy@state.nm.us or call 505-827-6452