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Three Students from Houston County Named to State Student Advisory Council

HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – Three seniors from the Houston County School District have been selected for State School Superintendent Richard Woods' 2022-2023 Student Advisory Council. Luciana Da Fieno and Tyler Nguyen from Houston County High School and Destin Johnson from Warner Robins High School were among the 67 students selected from across the state.



Pictured left to right: Luciana Da Fieno, Tyler Nguyen, and Destin Johnson

Da Fieno, Nguyen, and Johnson will meet with Superintendent Woods throughout the school year to provide feedback on the impact of state policies in the classroom. Members of the Student Advisory Council will also serve as the Superintendent's ambassadors to their respective schools and participate in service projects to benefit schools and students.

"It is extremely important to me to receive direct feedback from those impacted by the decisions I make," Superintendent Woods said. "Our purpose at the Georgia Department of Education is to open up opportunities for students. Building relationships with the Student Advisory Council members helps me ensure our policies are meeting their intended purpose and allows me to make decisions that will benefit children throughout the state."

Each year, public school students in grades 10-12 are selected for the Student Advisory Council. The application includes short essay prompts that allow students to share their ideas for public education. The official GaDOE press release, including the full list of students, can be found <u>here</u>.

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