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### Two Houston County School District Students Named to State Student Advisory Council



HOUSTON COUNTY, GA – Two students from the Houston County School District were selected for the State School Superintendent's 2024-2025 Student Advisory Council. Ashlyn Copeland, a junior from Veterans High School and Tony Le, a junior from Houston County High School, were among the 74 students chosen across the state.

Throughout the school year, Copeland and Le will meet with Superintendent Richard Woods to provide feedback on the impact of state policies in the classroom. Members of the Student Advisory Council will also discuss other education-related issues, serve as the Superintendent's ambassadors to their

respective schools, and participate in service projects to benefit schools and students.

"I am thrilled to welcome this new group of students to our 2024-2025 Student Advisory Council," Superintendent Woods said. "These young leaders represent the future of Georgia, and their voices are crucial as we continue to shape the direction of education in our state. I look forward to hearing their ideas, insights, and perspectives as we work together to ensure every student has the opportunity to succeed."

Each year, any student in grades 10-12 attending a Georgia public school may fill out an application to be considered for the Student Advisory Council. This year, students selected for the Council wrote essays addressing a wide variety of issues in education, including curriculum and graduation requirements; the impact of federal- and state-mandated assessments in the classroom; the importance of teacher recruitment and retention efforts to students' classroom experience; and access to opportunities and resources for students in rural areas.

To learn more about the Student Advisory Council and to see the full list of students, [click here](#).

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