



Shepherd Elementary LSAT Meeting

March 18, 2026



ROLE OF THE LSAT

The Local School Advisory Team (LSAT) is a group of elected and appointed members that exists for every DCPS school.

Our Shepherd team consists of parents, teachers, non-instructional school staff and a community member **to advise the principal on matters that promote high expectations and high achievement for all students.** The LSAT is a key lever to **increasing transparency at DCPS and ensuring decisions affecting school communities are made collaboratively** with the help of a diverse group of school stakeholders.

SHEPHERD ELEMENTARY LSAT MEMBERS

Teacher Representatives:

- Koutouan Gadie
- Denise Hector
- Brenda Brown-Wimberly
- Cassidy Martinez

WTU Building Representative:

- Promithious Denmark Lawal

PTO Representative:

- Candace Mainor

Parent Representatives:

- Marianna Papademetriou
- Wesley Thompson
- Kimberly Rollins
- Kate Snyder

Community Representative:

- Michelle Colson

Non-Instructional Staff Member Representative:

- Avani Mack

AGENDA

- Departmentalization for SY 2026-2027
- Evaluation of Core Boost and Considerations for SY 2026-2027
- Process for Parent and Community Input for STEAM or Performing Arts Curriculum Addition
- LSAT Elections

Departmentalization

- K-2nd grade will be single classroom
- 3rd-5th grade will be departmentalized
 - 3rd grade will have 3 classrooms due due to size and will have a social studies and science instructor
 - 4th-5th will have 2 classrooms

Core Boost Evaluation

Community Input into the Additional Specials

- Performing Arts
- STEAM

LSAT/PTO Elections

- March 1-April 24: **Nominations Window**
- April 27-May 1: **Ballot Finalized**
- May 4-May 7: **Voting**
- May 8: **Election Results Announced**
- June 1-June 30: **Transition Meetings**
- July 1: **New LSAT/PTO Term Begins**

Interested in PTO or LSAT ?

Email: elections@shepherd-elementary.org

NEXT LSAT MEETING: April 22 3:45-4:45pm

We are **CURIOUS**

We are **ENTHUSIASTIC**

We are **SHEPHERD ELEMENTARY**

Questions or agenda items for our next meeting, please email either

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