



Teachers and Counselors, we need you!

Join the Media Power Youth Educator Advisory Board to help us strengthen new media literacy tools and build your own media power.

Who are we?

Media Power Youth is an educational non-profit organization founded in 2000. Our mission is to inspire young people to engage with media in thoughtful and constructive ways that support their physical and mental well-being. We partner with schools and communities to invest in youth and sustain them in their journey to find balance in their technology use, such that it enriches rather than compromises their success in school and in life.

Why are we forming this Educator Advisory Board?

Teachers and counselors see the role media play in students' lives every day. We need your help to develop the best educational resources and programs to support youth in becoming healthy communicators in and beyond the classroom. We are looking for 8-10 members who work with students in grades 3-8.

What kind of help is Media Power Youth looking for?

We are committed to being respectful of your time. Here's what we will ask of participants:

- meet for structured, interactive discussions four times throughout the coming year*
- review material in advance of each meeting
- provide feedback on curriculum tools/program ideas for upper elementary and middle school students
- participate in occasional short surveys

*Our proposed schedule would be to meet on the second Thursday of the month (on April 8, July 8, October 14 and January 13, 2022) from 7:00-8:30 PM EST but this may require some adjustment based on where participants live.

Why should you join the Educator Advisory Board?

Your service on the Educator Advisory Board has many benefits.

- expand your network of fellow youth advocates and inspiring professionals
- learn what's new in media and child health as well as trends in children's technology use
- be the first to receive the tools you are helping to evaluate (*Media Literacy for Safe & Health Choices* for upper elementary students and *Screenshots* for middle school students) for free to use in your classroom/school at your discretion
- receive up to 3 hours of facilitated programming (e.g. youth workshop or parent education night) or classroom support (e.g. guest speaker) at no cost to your school or organization
- strengthen your ability to support students' critical thinking skills, help them to challenge cultural biases and make informed choices that support their long-term success
- earn a stipend in the amount of \$200 (paid in two installments in July and January) to honor your time

I'm interested! What happens next?

Click [here](#) or visit <https://tinyurl.com/MPYApplication> to apply by midnight EST on March 25, 2021. We will notify all applicants about our selections the week of March 29, 2021. Any questions can be directed to Erin Gannon at egannon@mediapoweryouth.org. Erin will serve as the Educator Advisory Board Chair and has extensive experience as a teacher in both public and charter schools. She has led numerous professional development workshops as a member of PBLWorks National Faculty and as a teacher leader.