

HOW TO

SUPPORT



SOUNDOUT STUDENT VOICE TEAMS

1. LEARN THE TERMS

Student Voice
Student Engagement
and
Meaningful Student Involvement



These aren't synonyms. Learn what each one means, what it does and how it can help your school. Visit SoundOut.org for details.

2. FIND THE TOOLS

Curriculum
Environment
LEADERSHIP
Systems

Student voice can happen throughout education, including meetings, programs, training and assessment. Find examples and tools at SoundOut.org.

3. SUPPORT STUDENTS



Students need learning opportunities and activities designed for outcomes. Scaffold them for success.

4. GO SCHOOLWIDE



Don't stop in one classroom or school group. Infuse student voice schoolwide with activities integrated into classrooms and more.

5. GET MORE STUDENTS



Build momentum through recruitment, retention and relevance. Get a critical mass of students meaningfully involved and don't look back.

6. GET MORE ADULTS



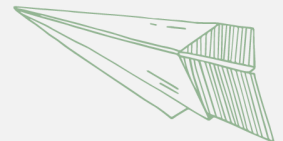
Build building-wide support with teachers, administrators and other adults is key to changing school culture.

7. LEARN TOGETHER



A good source of info for students and adults to learn together include the *The Guide to Student Voice* by Adam Fletcher on Amazon.com.

8. TAKE ACTION



Make schools better places, and learn through action. Project-based learning through school improvement makes it possible!

PERSONALLY COMMIT



Don't just do the job—feel the passion! This is a movement and you can be an ally, if you're personally committed.

CRITICALLY CONNECT



Look closely at traditional assumptions about student interest and ability, and name why they exist.

SUPPORT SUSTAINABILITY



Policies, funding and adult champions are essential to sustain student voice beyond a flash in the pan.

RECREATE



Students don't stay the same and SoundOut Student Voice Teams shouldn't either. Make it new again!