

# STUDENT VOICE!

**YOUR  
FUTURE**

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ASTON UNIVERSITY

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CONGRATULATIONS  
YOU'VE BEEN  
CHOSEN!

**YOUR  
SAY**



# DETAILS

Do you have ideas about trips, summer schools and activities that would help inform your future?

Are you bored of being sent on boring school trips you don't enjoy?

Do you want to be involved with a group of young people that can actively make a difference?

**YOUR MENTOR BELIEVES YOU WOULD BE SAYING YES TO AT LEAST ONE OF THESE QUESTIONS, AND THEREFORE THIS IS WHY YOU HAVE BEEN CHOSEN TO BE INVOLVED IN AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU TO REPRESENT YOUR SCHOOL AND HAVE YOUR SAY!**

## ● What is Student Voice?

You have been nominated by your mentor to join the Student Voice Panel. You will be able to voice your opinions and provide honest feedback about what you want to get out of the opportunities available to you during your time at school/college.

We want to hear about what matters to you!

## ● What's in it for me?

As a thank you for being a member of Student Voice you will get to enjoy perks such as social trips, and enjoying Domino Pizza's or Nando's during Student Voice! sessions.

The year will end with an awards ceremony where you can see how your opinions and ideas have shaped and changed our programme. Hearing from students who have benefited from your great ideas!

**31ST JANUARY SEE YOU THERE!**

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# What is Student Voice

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Student voice is a forum for young people from across the embedded NCOP schools, to allow them to have a more active role in shaping the activities and support we offer.

The Student Voice panel will have the opportunity to provide insight into areas where more support is needed, and how we can develop and improve our current activities and programmes.

Students will also have the opportunity to create an event, or project of their own.

# Why was student voice established?

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Students feel overwhelmed by the amount of external and internal projects and activities on offer in schools

To develop a sense of ownership over the project

To gather more meaningful feedback and evaluation on projects

To gain a student voice in the planning stages of events – so events can be better tailored and certain to address holes in knowledge and suitably bust common myths.

To be active as opposed to reactive in regards to what activity is offered

# What reasons did students highlight as a need for a Student Voice project?

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More of a say over activities they are involved in

To be able to encourage and motivate other students to get involved

To change the attitude and apathy towards these type of projects from other students

To make content and information that is more useable- e.g. use of social media, web content, apps.

# How will students benefit?

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Students will get the opportunity to visit a range of partner institutions,

To have their viewpoints listened to and considered.

To play an active role within the creation of projects and activities that will directly affect them.

The programme will end in a celebration event where students will be rewarded for their contribution, and see how their ideas have shaped the project.

# How could Student Voice be embedded within your internal Aim Higher Plus School program?

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Gathering a student voice panel, or using pre existing school council style forums to help tailor year group specific provision

Led by APA, to inform workshop content, after school activity etc.

Use student voice to inform activities to use allocated school budget

Create 'working groups' project and year group specific to generate interest, motivation and ownership over events or projects

Clear in-school benefit of selecting the students who are 'joiners' not always the 'usual candidates'

Using the current cross school student voice panelists to feedback to an in school project

# Further Info

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