YOUTH ON BOARDS: WHY YOUTH LEADERS MATTER!





STUDENTS ON SCHOOL BOARDS

In the US: 25 states

In ALASKA: 30 districts

- Student Representatives
- Preferential Voting
- Selection & Role Varies
- Board Bylaw (BB9110)



BB 9110: SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERSHIP

- Regular Members
- Military Delegate
- Student School Board Member
 - Importance of student representatives
 - Rights of student representatives
 - Preferential voting

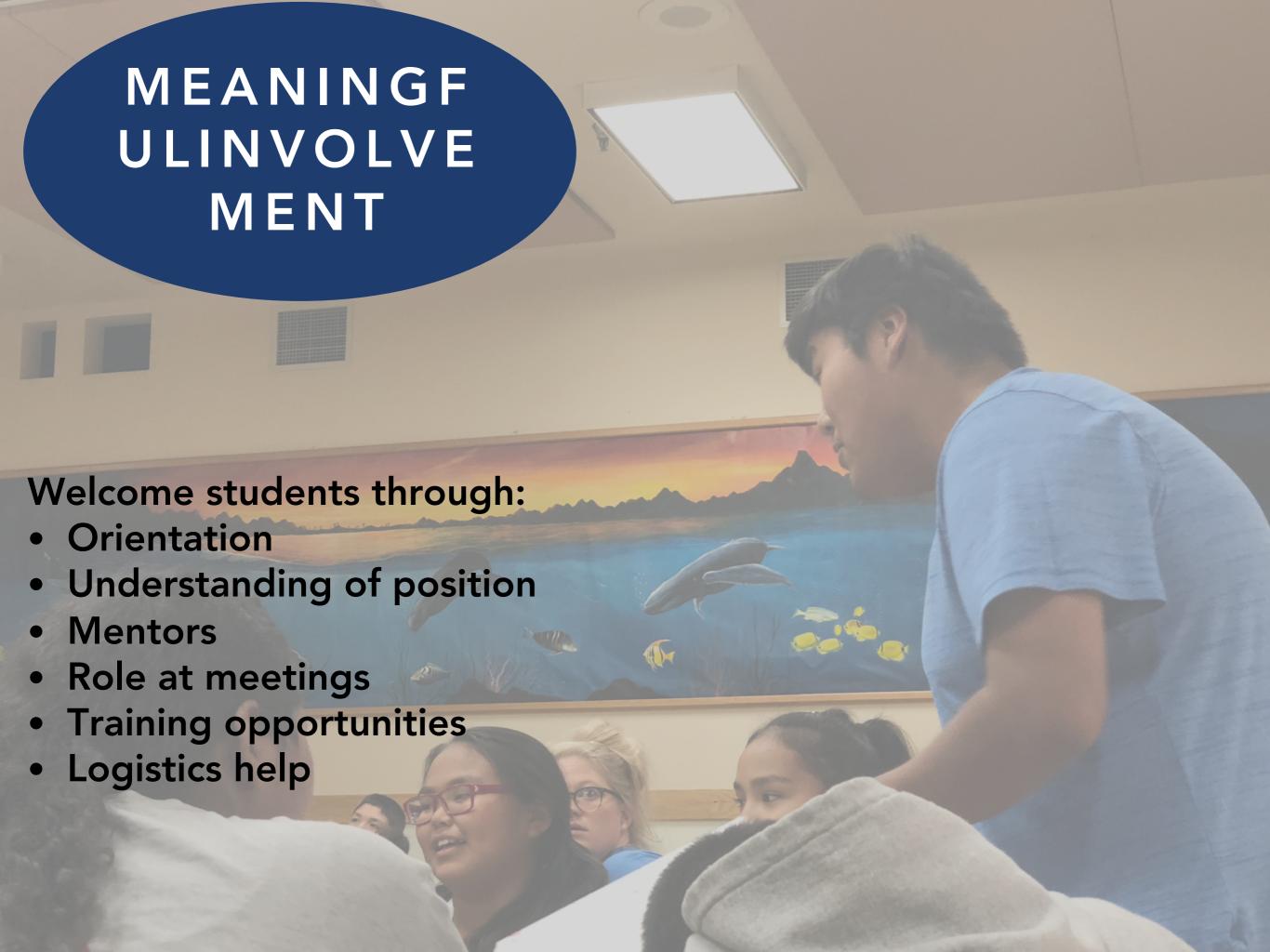


BENEFITS

Positive Youth Development:
Decision Making
Motivation to Learn
Academic achievement
Decreased risk behaviors

Adult Benefits:
commitment &
energy
More effective decision-making

Insights into what is happening in your district



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Chapters

- Preparing your board for youth involvement/Assessment
- Preparing your Board for youth members
- Creating youth positions
 - Recruiting and choosing youth representatives/members/Determining responsibilities
- Educating youth mentors/Mentoring youth members
- Logistics of supporting youth involvement
- New youth board member checklist
- For youth board members/Ladder of youth representation

Chapter review activity: Find a section you want to know more about.



Table Activity

Read your chapters.

In your group, answer these questions:

- 1. What did you read about? What stood out to you?
- 2. What new insights are you starting to have (about youth engagement)?
- 3. What do you want to bring back to your school board or school?





Long-term investment- increase capacity over time
Youth Voice = true partnership
Connect youth and boards to resources
Focus on youth needs
Grow/support structure for youth leadership

RESOURCES

soundout.org

AASB's Power of Untapped Resources

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