

# Seeking Community Representatives For the City of Chicago Head Start Citywide Parent Policy Council

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## The CPPC is the Parents' Voice to Empower, Advocate, and Lead!

### What is the CPPC?

- The CPPC shares the governance of the City of Chicago's Head Start/Early Head Start Programs with the Chicago Committee on Urban Opportunity and the Department of Family and Support Services
- CPPC Members meet monthly to review program updates and advise on program activities
- Members have a meaningful voice in approving program design, grant applications, selection criteria, and other key documents related to the City's Head Start Grant
- Community Representatives vote on all issue before the CPPC

### What is the value of serving on the CPPC as a Community Representative?

- Provide subject matter expertise on issues the impact children and families served by Head Start
- Represent the voice of children, families, and your community
- Learn to be an advocate for Head Start children, families, and programs
- Develop leadership skills
- Network with others parents and community experts

### Community Representatives are selected from:

- Businesses
- Public or private community agencies
- Civic and professional organizations
- Other organizations who are familiar with resources and services for low income children and families, early education, and child care
- Past Head Start parents

### How do I become a community representative?

- Candidates must submit an application to DFSS and current Head Start parents vote on membership
- Candidates will run at the December 16, 2020 meeting held on Zoom
- Candidates can find a Nomination application here: <http://www.childserviceschicago.com>
- For more information and to attend, contact:

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