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## [holt\_staf] Equity and Inclusion Student Team

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## Hey Bolts,

We are super excited to start an Equity and Inclusion student team. Please <u>click this link</u> and add the names of students who are interested and/or who you think would be a good addition to the team. We are looking for students with unique perspectives and want to include students who might not get many leadership opportunities typically. How you determine which students you are adding to the list is up to you. I would recommend telling your students about it (especially in the older grades) to see who is interested, but I also encourage you to think of students who might not volunteer- who might not have that confidence or history of success to try something new. Think of how much it would mean to a student if you pulled them aside and told them you thought of them specifically for this team, that they would be a valuable member.

I encourage you to work as a grade level to make sure diverse students are on the team. Consider students of color, LGBTQIA+ students, students with disabilities, students with food allergies, students who struggle with mental health, students who are learning English as a second language or whose parents speak another language at home.

Our initial thought is about 1 student from each class. However, if there are two students in your class that you think would be great, or show interest, we won't turn away your recommendations. The younger kids and older kids might have different roles, and complete different tasks, but all are welcome.

If you would like, you can use the following description with your students:

The student equity and inclusion team will help give a voice to all students. They will focus on ways to make our school welcoming and safe for students from all backgrounds. They will plan and execute projects to improve our school culture. Our goal is to create a fun learning environment that celebrates our differences and gives all students the chance to shine.

We'd appreciate it if you could fill this out by the end of next week, so we can get our first meeting in ASAP!

Thank you!! Happy Friday.

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