



Chicago Needs Democracy in Education

Support HB 4268 for an Elected Representative School Board

Mayoral Control is a 20-Year Failed Experiment

There is no democracy in CPS. The Board is unelected and unaccountable. They make decisions without public input and cannot be held accountable for their actions.

Privatization – mass school closings & turnarounds, charter expansion – does NOT improve education. These policies have been devastating to African American and Latino communities.

After 20 years, CPS is more unequal

- Selective schools for a few. Disinvested neighborhood & charter school chains for everyone else.
- Racial gaps in test scores (National Assessment of Education Progress), graduate rates, and drop out rates have increased.

Excessive testing, increased class sizes, and cuts to art, music, special education, and after-school activities narrow education and undermine teachers.

The Board is responsible for gross fiscal mismanagement, corruption and chaos.

An Elected Board is a Necessary First Step to Improve Our Schools

An elected representative school board would be directly accountable to the public, more diverse and representative of CPS families.

Chicagoans Want a Fully Accountable Elected School Board—Not a Hybrid

Nearly 90% of Chicago voters in 2012 and 2015 voted in favor of an elected school board.

Help Win an Elected Representative School Board

Chicago is the only district in Illinois with an appointed board. The Illinois Legislature must pass a law to change that. Over 50 State legislators support **HB 4268** for an elected school board in Chicago.

- **Contact your elected officials and tell them you support HB4268.**
- **Attend town hall meetings** across the city for an elected board and show your support
- **Talk** to parents, teachers, students, LSC and community members
- **Volunteer** to work on the campaign for an elected school board for Chicago.

We have come together across the city for an Elected Representative School Board
Grassroots Education Movement (GEM)