# HOW TO SUPPORT SOUNDOUT STUDENT VOICE TEAMS

## 1. LEARN THE TERMS

**Student Voice**

**Student Engagement**

**Meaningful Student Involvement**

These aren't synonyms. Learn what each one means, what it does and how it can help your school. Visit SoundOut.org for details.

## 2. FIND THE TOOLS

**Curriculum**

**Environment**

**Leadership**

**Systems**

Student voice can happen throughout education, including meetings, programs, training and assessment. Find examples and tools at SoundOut.org.

## 3. SUPPORT STUDENTS

Students need learning opportunities and activities designed for outcomes. Scaffold them for success.

## 4. GO SCHOOLWIDE

Don't stop in one classroom or school group. Infuse student voice schoolwide with activities integrated into classrooms and more.

## 5. GET MORE STUDENTS

Build momentum through recruitment, retention and relevance. Get a critical mass of students meaningfully involved and don't look back.

## 6. GET MORE ADULTS

Build building-wide support with teachers, administrators and other adults is key to changing school culture.

## 7. LEARN TOGETHER

A good source of info for students and adults to learn together include the The Guide to Student Voice by Adam Fletcher on Amazon.com.

## 8. TAKE ACTION

Make schools better places, and learn through action. Project-based learning through school improvement makes it possible!

## PERSONALLY COMMIT

Don't just do the job—feel the passion! This is a movement and you can be an ally, if you're personally committed.

## CRITICALLY CONNECT

Look closely at traditional assumptions about student interest and ability, and name why they exist.

## SUPPORT SUSTAINABILITY

Policies, funding and adult champions are essential to sustain student voice beyond a flash in the pan.

## RECREATE

Students don't stay the same and SoundOut Student Voice Teams shouldn't either. Make it new again!

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