

2025 Election Year - Leadership Council Position Description

NSTA welcomes current members to serve a 3-year term on the Leadership Council. This year, the Council seeks nominations for leaders to represent and advocate on behalf of the following demographics:

1. Members who live and/or work in the following Districts, to serve as District Leaders:
 - District III: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland
 - District V: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands
 - District IX: Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota
 - District XI: Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska
 - District XV: Idaho, Montana, Wyoming
 - District XVII: Alaska, Oregon, Washington

2. Members from the following constituencies, to serve as Division Leaders:
 - High School Science Teachers,
 - Science Coordinators/Supervisors, and
 - Postsecondary Instructors.

QUALIFICATIONS

The Nominations Committee will give preference to applicants with the following qualifications:

- Current NSTA member;
- Service on NSTA committee(s), state chapters, and/or other affiliated professional organizations;
- Possesses a growth mindset with an entrepreneurial outlook/innovative thinking;
- Willing to be an agent of change and move beyond status quo;
- Volunteer experience and/or community partnerships;
- Leadership experience with teams, committees, projects, programs, organizations, people, etc.; and
- Demonstrates strong communication and collaboration skills.

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Build the NSTA community.
 - a. Division Leaders — Chair a Division committee that works closely with NSTA to design and implement programs and create resources to help build a professional community. Each committee has a NSTA staff co-chair.

- b. District Directors — Actively promote the benefits of the Association to ensure participation in programs and retention of existing members, and aid in recruiting new members for the Association.
2. Guide NSTA Position Statements.
 - a. Be familiar with NSTA position statements,
 - b. Scan the external environment for important topics for which NSTA should create new statements, and
 - c. Oversee the drafting of position statements.
3. Support Strategic Partnerships.
 - a. Division Leaders — Work closely with Affiliates associated with their committee to identify opportunities for collaboration.
 - b. District Leader — Build close ties to the state organizations in their District to identify opportunities for collaboration.

Specific Responsibilities

1. Actively plan and participate in the National Congress on Science Education (June/July).
2. Actively participate in bi-monthly Leadership Council Meetings.
3. Division Leaders
 - a. Chair the division committee,
 - b. Set the agenda and hold regular meetings of their Division Committee (at least quarterly), and
 - c. Work with NSTA Affiliate representatives on their committee to develop synergistic partnerships.
4. District Leaders
 - a. Attend a state conference in their District annually.
 - b. Prepare/gather relevant content for the *District Dispatch* e-newsletter.

NOMINATION TIMELINE

1. Applicants must be available for an interview with the Nominations Committee between January 24 and February 20.
2. Successful nominees will be informed that they will stand for election by March 7.
3. Ballots to be sent to the membership on March 26
4. All nominees will be informed of the outcomes of the election by April 30, unless there is a tie. In that case, notification will occur by May 8.