



Cristo Rey St. Martin College Prep Charter of the St. Martin Advisory Council

History

The St. Martin Advisory Council (the “Advisory Council”) is a group of young professionals who are committed to raising awareness about Cristo Rey St. Martin College Prep (“CRSM”) and our many programs through fundraising events, volunteer opportunities and social activities.

The Advisory Council was founded in 2011 with the mission of supporting the students of CRSM by advancing the vision of the Board of Directors to make college preparatory education a reality for youth from the Waukegan and North Chicago community.

Mission

The Advisory Council vows to enhance the educational activities of the CRSM student body, both in and out of the classroom. The Advisory Council pledges to leverage their personal and professional affiliations to bring employment and economic support to the students of the entire Cristo Rey Network through support of the Corporate Work Study Program (“CWSP”) and various fundraising activities. The Advisory Council further commits to be involved with the students by providing professional real world experience and advice to expand students’ knowledge of the diverse professional opportunities beyond high school.

Membership and Recruitment

The Advisory Council shall be comprised of up to 24 members chosen by CRSM and the CRSM President. The Advisory Council members shall serve at the pleasure of the CRSM Board of Directors and for such term as CRSM or the CRSM President determines. CRSM shall designate one Committee member as the Advisory Council’s chair. Members of the Advisory Council shall have relevant fundraising and leadership experience, and interest in the enhancement of the Corporate Work Study Program. At least 1-2 members will have finance management expertise.

The Advisory Council members are vital champions for the school in the greater community by letting others know of the school’s success and contribution to education in Waukegan and North Chicago. Members of the Advisory Council shall have the ability to network to promote CRSM, and identify and assist in recruiting talented, dedicated and diverse people to serve on the Advisory Council and its subcommittees. When considering someone as a prospective the Advisory Council participant, the member should acquaint that person with CRSM, the Chair of the Advisory Council, other members of the Advisory Council and the President of CRSM.



Participation

- The Advisory Council shall hold regular meetings at least four times per year, and report to CRSM, the President of CRSM, or the CRSM Board of Directors on a quarterly basis. Additional meetings of subcommittees may be called to support activities.
- Members of the Advisory Council shall make their best effort to attend the majority of meetings and events. Each member of the Advisory Council is asked to actively serve on at least one subcommittee or take a leadership position. These subcommittees include, but are not limited to:
 - Membership & Professional Development Committee
 - Fundraising & Events Committee
 - Community & School Engagement Committee

Duties and Responsibilities

Members of the Advisory Council shall:

- Increase participation, through attendance and monetary contributions, at CRSM and the Advisory Council events by inviting personal and professional contacts to support the school and its students.
- Aid the Development office in identifying individuals that may be interested in supporting the mission of Cristo Rey St. Martin by making a donation toward the operating budget and/or capital campaign
- Support the CWSP by increasing awareness of this unique program and procuring student jobs within each member's professional network.
- Participate in at least one program and/or activity with students of Cristo Rey St. Martin that will increase rapport and enhance the lives of CRSM students and their families.
- Provide professional real world experience and advice to students at Cristo Rey St. Martin to expand their knowledge of the diverse professional opportunities beyond high school.
- Attend or volunteer at school sponsored fundraising events including Elevate, Founders' Dinner and other special events that are organized from year to year.
- Make every effort to support student activities such as sporting events, fine arts programs, school assemblies, graduation, etc.

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