

Figure 2.2 Student Empowerment Opportunities

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

- Membership in a school improvement committee
 - Co-constructed curricular units reflecting student interests
 - Student-led family conferences
 - Student classroom governance (e.g., class meetings)
 - Student jobs in the front office, in the library, on the safety patrol, or as school ambassadors
 - Student-led signature campaigns on civic engagement issues
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MIDDLE SCHOOLS

- Membership in all school committees
 - Co-teaching
 - Co-design and implementation of whole-school forums
 - Service learning for the school community
 - Agenda items for a school improvement committee submitted by students
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HIGH SCHOOLS

- Student representation on district committees, including budget committees
 - Co-planning on course design
 - Participation in professional development
 - Membership in professional learning communities
 - Positions on teacher- and school leader-hiring teams
 - Design and implementation of whole-school forums about school and community issues
 - Student-led educational conferences
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Source: Adapted from Fletcher (2005).