inspirED is all about student voice, so to maximize your success as an inspirED team, you need as many voices as possible! To get the fullest understanding of your school’s climate and the best ideas for improving it, you need all kinds of students to participate in inspirED to have many perspectives represented on your team.

Here are some tips for recruiting inspirED team members:

• Post the inspirED Flier in highly trafficked, visible locations around your school. If you’d like, you can also create your own flier with important information on contact people and upcoming meetings.

• Get creative! Consider how information gets shared in your school. What are the most effective ways of reaching students? Do you have morning or afternoon announcements? Advisory periods? Is there a class you have that might be interested in inspirED?

• Post about inspirED on social media. Include a link to http://inspirED.fb.com.

• Ask your friends to spread the word! The more people who are working to recruit team members, the more successful you will be.

• Reach out to students from diverse backgrounds and encourage them to be part of your team (e.g. ask a coach to mention it to players, put up flyers in your school’s art studio, or ask your friend who runs the debate team to join and bring some friends). Having a range of opinions and experiences will allow you to more thoroughly understand your school climate.

• Follow-up with people who express interest or curiosity about inspirED. Make sure they have all the information they need to make it to your next meeting!

Keep recruiting throughout the school year. People should feel free to join inspirED at any time, so make sure to keep your doors open to everyone! Your team’s success depends on the strength of its members.

Don’t forget to recruit a like-minded adult to act as your inspirED Educator Advocate. When approaching them, you might want to share why inspirED is important to you and your school and why you think this person would be a good fit for your team.