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SCHOOL PLANS/SITE COUNCILS

The Governing Board believes that comprehensive planning is necessary at each school in order to focus school improvement efforts on student academic achievement and facilitate the effective use of available resources. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that school plans provide clear direction and identify cohesive strategies aligned with school and district goals.

(cf. 0000 - Vision)
(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)
(cf. 0400 - Comprehensive Plans)
(cf. 0415 - Equity)
(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)

Each district school that participates in one or more federal and/or state categorical programs funded through the state’s consolidated application process pursuant to Education Code 64000 shall establish a school site council in accordance with Education Code 65000-65001.

The school site council shall develop, approve, and annually review and update a school plan for student achievement (SPSA) which consolidates the plans required for those categorical programs into a single plan, unless otherwise prohibited by law. (Education Code 64001)

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 1431 - Waivers)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Learners)
(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)

The Superintendent or designee shall review each school's SPSA to ensure that it meets the content requirements for all applicable programs, is based on an analysis of current practices and student academic performance, and reasonably links improvement strategies to identified needs of the school and its students. The Superintendent or designee shall also ensure consistency between the specific actions included in the district's local control and accountability plan and the strategies identified in each school's SPSA.

The Board shall, at a regularly scheduled Board meeting, review and approve each school's SPSA whenever there are any significant material revisions affecting the academic programs for students participating in the categorical programs addressed in the SPSA. (Education Code 64001)

If the Board does not approve a school's SPSA, it shall communicate its specific reasons for disapproval of the plan to the school site council. The school site council shall then revise and resubmit the SPSA to the Board for its approval. (Education Code 64001)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that school administrators and school site council members receive training on the roles and responsibilities of the school site council.
SCHOOL PLANS/SITE COUNCILS (continued)

The SPSA may serve as the school improvement plan required when a school is identified for targeted or comprehensive support pursuant to 20 USC 6303. (Education Code 64001)

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)

Any complaint alleging noncompliance with requirements related to the establishment of school site councils or the development of the SPSA may be filed with the district in accordance with the district's uniform complaint procedures pursuant to 5 CCR 4600-4670 and BP/AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. (Education Code 64001)

(cf. 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE
52-53 Designation of schools
33133 Information guide for school site councils
35147 Open meeting laws exceptions
52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan
52176 English learner advisory committees
56000-56867 Special education
64000 Categorical programs included in consolidated application
64001 Single school plan for student achievement, consolidated application programs
65000-65001 School site councils

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
3930-3937 Compliance plans
4600-4670 Uniform complaint procedures
11308 English learner advisory committees

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
6303 School improvement
6311 State plan
6314 Schoolwide programs; schoolwide program plan
6421-6472 Programs for neglected, delinquent, and at-risk children and youth
6601-6651 Teacher and Principal Training and Recruitment program
6801-7014 Limited English proficient and immigrant students
7101-7165 Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities
7341-7355c Rural Education Initiative

Management Resources:

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PUBLICATIONS

WEST ED PUBLICATIONS
California Healthy Kids Survey
California School Climate Survey

WEB SITES
California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov
WestEd: http://www.wested.org

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Each school that operates a program requiring the development of a school plan for student achievement (SPSA) pursuant to Education Code 64001 shall have a school site council composed of the following: (Education Code 65000)

1. The principal or designee
2. Classroom teachers at the school, selected by the classroom teachers at the school
3. Other school personnel who are not teachers, selected by the other personnel at the school who are not teachers
4. Parents/guardians of students attending the school and/or other members of the community, selected by the parents/guardians of students attending the school
5. If the school is a secondary school, students attending the school, selected by other secondary students

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

Half of the school site council membership shall consist of school staff in the categories listed in items #1-3 above, the majority of whom shall be classroom teachers. For an elementary school site councils, the remaining half shall be parents/guardians and/or community members. For a secondary school site council, the remaining half shall be parents/guardians, community members, and/or students. (Education Code 65000)

A district employee may serve as a parent/guardian representative on the school site council of the school his/her child attends, provided the employee does not work at that school. (Education Code 65000)

The bylaws of each school site council shall include the method of selecting members and officers, terms of office, responsibilities of council members, time commitment, and a policy of nondiscrimination and equity.

(cf. 0415 - Equity)

School site councils shall operate in accordance with procedural meeting requirements established in Education Code 35147.

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
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The school site council shall develop and annually review and update an SPSA that addresses all federal and/or state categorical programs in which the school participates pursuant to Education Code 64000. (Education Code 64001)

(cf. 1431 - Waivers)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)

The SPSA shall be developed with the review, certification, and advice of the school English learner advisory committee, if required (Education Code 64001)

(cf. 6174 - Education for English Learners)

Other school and district committees, including, but not limited to, a parent advisory committee established to review and comment on the district's local control and accountability plan (LCAP), advisory committee established for special education programs, and Western Association of Schools and Colleges leadership teams, may also be consulted on the content of the plan.

(cf. 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan)
(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)

Before developing the content of the SPSA, the school site council shall conduct a comprehensive needs assessment pursuant to 20 USC 6314, including an analysis of verifiable state data consistent with the state priorities specified in Education Code 52060 and the indicators in the state accountability system. The school may consider any other data developed by the district to measure student outcomes. (Education Code 64001)

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)
(cf. 6162.5 - Student Assessment)
(cf. 6162.51 - State Academic Achievement Tests)

In addition to meeting the requirements common to all applicable school plans, the SPSA shall address the content required by law for each individual categorical program in which the school participates.

The school site council shall approve the proposed SPSA at a meeting for which public notice has been posted. Whenever there are material revisions to the SPSA which affect the academic programs for students participating in applicable programs, the SPSA shall be submitted to the Governing Board for review and approval at a regularly scheduled Board meeting. (Education Code 35147, 64001)

The school site council shall regularly monitor the implementation and effectiveness of the SPSA and modify any activities that prove ineffective. At least once per year, the principal or designee shall evaluate results of improvement efforts and report to the Board, school site council, and other interested parties regarding progress toward school goals.
The school site council may amend the SPSA at any time through the same process required for the annual update of the plan.