School Site Council Training

Presented October 9, 2013 and November 6, 2013
6:00-7:30 p.m.
Welcome and Introductions

What is a School Site Council?

Essential Responsibilities of SSC Members

What is the District Advisory Committee (DAC)?

What is a School Plan?

Where can I go to get information about my school and the district?

Questions
Every school which receives School Improvement funding (aka School and Library Improvement Block Grant dollars) must have a School Site Council to develop, implement, and oversee a School Improvement Plan.
At the elementary level the council shall be constituted to ensure parity between (a) school staff members (principal, classroom teachers and other school staff); and (b) parent/community members (EC 52852). In other words one-half of the members must be school staff (classroom teachers shall comprise the majority of this half of the council) and the other half must be parents/community members.
At the secondary level the council shall be constituted to ensure parity between (a) school staff members (principal, classroom teachers and other school staff); and (b) parent/community members and students (EC 52852). In addition, the number of parent/community members must be equal to the number of student members. In other words, one-half of the members must be school staff (with classroom teachers comprising the majority of this half of the council), one-quarter of the members must be parents/community members, and one-quarter of the members must be students.
What are my responsibilities as a School Site Council member?

- Assist in the development of the school plan
- Approve and recommend the plan for the Board of Trustees’ approval
- Review the on-going implementation of the school plan
- Monitor the effectiveness of the improvement activities in meeting the specified objectives stated in the plan
- Review and update the plan annually
Attend School Site Council meetings (approximately 5 per year)

Learn about the different student populations, the school programs and the improvement strategies being used to accelerate student learning

Actively participate in carrying out the responsibilities of the School Site Council

Serve as a communication link between the School Site Council and the represented groups in the school community
The School Site Council is NOT...

- A school management committee
- A policy-making body
- A political organization
- A personnel committee
- An extension of the PTA or Home and School Club
- A social group
So, what is a DAC?

- DAC stands for District Advisory Committee
- The DAC is comprised of one SSC representative from each school site
- The purpose of the DAC is to advise the school district in the development of educational programs which receive categorical funding
While anyone may attend and participate in DAC meetings, voting membership is limited to:

- 1 parent from each school’s SSC
- 1 secondary student (Optional)
- 2 classroom teachers
- 2 principals
- Director, Educational Services
Essential components of the *Single School Plan for Student Achievement* or SSPSA include…

**Data**
- Student performance *goals* which are specific and measurable

**Actions** that the school will take to help students meet goals

**Funding** amounts and sources allocated to pay for actions
The School Plan Process

- Reach Desired Outcomes
- Approve and Recommend SPSA to Local Governing Board
- Monitor Implementation
- Measure Effectiveness of Improvement Strategies
- Seek Advisory Committees Input
- Reaffirm or Revise School Goals
- Revise Improvement Strategies and Expenditures
Layout of a School Plan...

- Goals and Actions
- Funding Programs
- SSC Membership
- Assurances
- Analysis of Current Educational Practice
- Student Performance Data Summary
- Safe School Plan
- Data
Nine Essential Program Components

- Component 1: State Board of Education adopted material
- Component 2: Instructional time
- Component 3: Instruction/Assessment pacing
- Component 4: Administrative Leadership
- Component 5: Credentialed, highly qualified teachers
- Component 6: Instructional assistance and support
- Component 7: Student achievement monitoring system
- Component 8: Teacher collaboration
- Component 9: Fiscal support
Economic Impact Aid/State Compensatory Education: To help educationally disadvantaged students succeed in the regular program. EIA/SCE is a program supporting additional educational services for students achieving below grade level to be successful in the core program.

School/Library Improvement Block Grant: To improve school response to educational, personal and general needs of all students.

Title 1: To provide supplemental educational support to low-achieving children in high-poverty schools.
- **Art, Music, P.E.:** One time money to be used to support art, music, and P.E.

- **Parent Involvement:** To be used to encourage parent participation and parent education
Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF)

View Video At  http://lcff.wested.org/lcff-channel/
Changes In School Funding

State Budget → Proposition 98, Pre-LCFF → Local Control

Proposition 98, Pre-LCFF → Categorical Funding

Proposition 98, LCFF → Revenue Limit
Let’s review a sample plan…
2013-2014 DAC Dates

- November 13, 2013
- December 11, 2013
- February 12, 2014
- March 12, 2014
- May 14, 2014

**All Meetings 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.**

Topics Of Interest

- Budget
- Technology
- School Safety
- Internet Safety
- Others?
Where Can I Go to Learn More About my School and the District?

- http://www.cde.ca.gov/index.asp
- Accountability Progress Reporting

- Data and Statistics Tab
  - Ed Data
  - Data Quest
Contact Us

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