

SCHOOL PLANS/SITE COUNCILS

The Governing Board encourages district employees, students, parents/guardians and other members of the school community to develop school plans designed to meet the specific needs at individual school sites. The Board may approve or disapprove school plans as necessary in order to fulfill the district's mission, accomplish the Board's adopted goals and/or comply with legal requirements.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that schools desiring to participate in state-funded school-based programs establish and maintain a school site council. Such councils shall be responsible for the development, review and modification of school plans within their program area and for other duties as prescribed by law.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 52 Designation of schools
- 53 Designation of high schools
- 8750-8754 Conservation Education
- 44520-44534 New Careers Program
- 51870-51874 Educational Technology
- 52000-52049 School Improvement Program
- 52176 Advisory committees
- 52200-52212 Gifted and Talented Education Program
- 52340-52346 California Regional Career Guidance Centers
- 52800-52904 School-Based Program Coordination Act
- 54000-54041 Educationally Disadvantaged Youth Programs
- 54100-54145 Miller-Unruh Basic Reading Act
- 54425 Advisory committees (compensatory education)
- 54650-54659 Education Improvement Incentive Program
- 54720-54734 School-Based Pupil Motivation and Maintenance Program
- 56000-56885 Special education

Management Resources:

CDE PUBLICATIONS

School Site Councils: Their Composition, Role and Responsibilities, 1991

WEB SITES

CDE: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

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When required for participation in state programs, school site councils shall be composed of the following: (Education Code 52012, 52852, 54724)

1. The principal
2. Teachers selected by the school's teachers
3. Other school personnel chosen by the school's other personnel
4. Parents/guardians of students attending the school, chosen by other such parents/guardians or community members chosen as representatives by such parents/guardians
5. In middle school, students attending the school, chosen by other such students

Half of the school site council membership shall consist of school staff, the majority of whom shall be classroom teachers. For elementary school site councils, the remaining half shall be parents/guardians or parent/guardian representatives. For secondary school site councils, the remaining half shall be equal numbers of parents/guardians (or parent/guardian representatives) and students. (Education Code 52012, 52852, 54724)

A district employee may serve as a parent/guardian representative on the site council of the school his/her child attends, provided the employee does not work at that school. (Education Code 52852)

School site councils may function on behalf of other committees in accordance with law. (Education Code 52176, 52870, 54425)