

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 and accomplish the Board's adopted goals.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that schools provide for participation in state-funded school-based programs by establishing and maintaining a school site council as required by law.

(cf. 0420.5 - School-Based Decision making)

(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)

(cf. 3515 - School Safety and Security)

(cf. 5144 - Student Discipline)

(cf. 9320 - Board Meetings)

When required for state funding, school site councils shall be composed of the following:

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 secondary schools, students attending the school, chosen by other such students.

Half of all school site councils shall consist of school staff (#1, #2 and #3 above), the majority of them classroom teachers. The remaining half of elementary school site councils shall be parents/guardians or parent/guardian representatives. The remaining half of secondary school site councils shall be students and parents/guardians (or parent/guardian representatives) in equal number.

A school 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 52870, 54425, 52176)

SCHOOL PLANS/SITE COUNCILS (continued)

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

52 *Designation of secondary schools*

53 *Designation of high schools*

52000-52049 *Improvement of elementary and secondary education*

52176 *Advisory committees (bilingual program)*

52800-52904 *School-Based Program Coordination Act*

54425 *Advisory committees (compensatory education)*

54650-54659 *Education Improvement Incentive Program*

54720-54734 *School-Based Pupil Motivation and Maintenance Program*

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

4007 *Elementary school*

Management Resources:

CDE PUBLICATIONS

School Site Councils: Their Composition, Role and Responsibilities, School Improvement Office, CDE,
November 1991