SCHOOL PLANS/SITE COUNCILS

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

For any school that participates in specified state and/or federal categorical programs, the school site council or other schoolwide advisory committee shall consolidate the plans required for those categorical programs into a single plan for student achievement (SPSA). (Education Code 52055.755, 64001)

Single Plan for Student Achievement

The Superintendent or designee shall review each school's single plan and ensure that it has been developed and approved by a properly constituted school site council, meets the content requirements for all programs included, is based on an analysis of current practices and student academic performance, and reasonably links improvement strategies to identified needs of the school and students. He/she shall submit to the Board of Trustees his/her recommendations for plan approval or recommendations regarding any subsequent material revisions of the plan.

As appropriate, a school may incorporate any other school plan into the SPSA. (Education Code 64001)

The Superintendent or designee shall review each school's SPSA to ensure that it meets the content requirements for all programs included, is based on an analysis of current practices and student academic performance, and reasonably links improvement strategies to identified needs of the school and students. He/she shall submit to the Board his/her recommendations for plan approval or revision.

The Board shall review and approve each school's SPSA and any subsequent material revisions affecting the academic programs for students participating in the categorical programs addressed in the SPSA. The Board shall certify that, to the extent allowable under federal law, the SPSA is consistent with district local improvement plans required as a condition of receiving federal funding. Any such review and approval shall be at a regularly scheduled Board meeting. (Education Code 64001)

Whenever 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 or committee. The school site council or committee shall then revise and resubmit the SPSA to the Board for its approval.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that school administrators and school site council members receive training on the roles and responsibilities of the site council.