SCHOOL PLANS/SITE COUNCILS

The County Board of Education (CBE) believes that comprehensive planning, that is aligned with the Santa Cruz County Office of Education’s (SCCOE) local control and accountability plan (LCAP), 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 SCCOE goals.

Each SCCOE school shall establish a school site council in accordance with Education Code 52852 and the accompanying administrative regulation to develop, review, and approve school plans.

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 64001)

As appropriate, a school may incorporate any other school program 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 its students. He/she shall also ensure that specific actions included in the district's LCAP are consistent with the strategies identified in each school's SPSA.

The CBE shall, at a regularly scheduled CBE meeting, 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 CBE shall certify that, to the extent allowable under federal law, the SPSA is consistent with SCCOE local improvement plans required as a condition of receiving federal funding. (Education Code 64001)

Whenever the CBE 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 CBE for its approval. (Education Code 52855)

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.
Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

52-53  Designation of schools
33133  Information guide for school site councils
35147  Open meeting laws exceptions
41540-41544  Targeted instructional improvement block grants
52060-52077  Local control and accountability plan
52176  Advisory committees
52852  School site councils
54000-54028  Educationally Disadvantaged Youth Programs
54425  Advisory committees (compensatory education)
56000-56867  Special education
64000  Categorical programs included in consolidated application
64001  Single school plan for student achievement, consolidated application programs

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

3930-3937  Compliance plans

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6311  State plan
6312  Title I local educational agency plans
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
7101-7122  Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants
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, Single Plan for Student Achievement: 
http://www.cde.ca.gov/nclb/sr/le/singleplan.asp
WestEd: http://www.wested.org

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