

SSC Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT IS A SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL, AND WHO ARE MEMBERS?

The School Site Council (SSC) is an elected or selected group representatives of the school's staff, parents, and in secondary schools, students.

HOW ARE SSC MEMBERS CHOSEN?

All members, *with the exception of the principal*, are elected or selected by their peer group. The principal is assigned to serve as a permanent, voting member on the council. (This responsibility may not be delegated to someone else.) In SFUSD, a member of the UBC must be one of the members in the teacher peer group. The SSC selection process is determined by each district, and outlined in district policy and/or SSC bylaws.

WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SSC?

- Annually facilitate the revision/update of the school goals, improvement strategies and planned expenditures which are outlined in the *Single School Plan for Student Achievement*. *In SFUSD, this is called the Balanced Score Card*
- Ensure the school goals and improvement strategies are measurable and based on an analysis of verifiable state and local data.
- Ensure the goals, improvement strategies, and proposed expenditures are legally compliant and support the district's goals and LEA (Local Educational Agency) plan.
- Seek input from all advisory committees.
- Review and/or recommend the updated Single School Plan to the local governing board for their approval. SSCs have decision-making purview over restricted funding- **Title I**.
- Monitor the implementation of the approved School Plan, making modifications as necessary.
- Measure the effectiveness of the improvement strategies and expenditures.
- Maintain documentation of all SSC actions and activities for three years.