Philosophy, Goals, Objectives, and Comprehensive Plans  

LOCAL CONTROL AND ACCOUNTABILITY PLAN

The Board of Education desires to ensure the most effective use of available funding to improve outcomes for all students. A community-based, comprehensive, data-driven planning process shall be used to identify annual goals and specific actions and to facilitate continuous improvement of district practices.

(cf. 0000 - Vision)
(cf. 0200 - Goals for the School District)

The Board shall adopt a districtwide local control and accountability plan (LCAP), following the template provided in 5 CCR 15497.5, that addresses the state priorities in Education Code 52060 and any local priorities adopted by the Board. The LCAP shall be updated on or before July 1 of each year and, like the district budget, shall cover the next fiscal year and subsequent two fiscal years. (Education Code 52060; 5 CCR 15497.5)

(cf. 3100 - Budget)

The LCAP shall focus on improving outcomes for all students, particularly those who are "unduplicated students" and other underperforming students.

Unduplicated students include students who are eligible for free or reduced-price meals, English learners, and foster youth and are counted only once for purposes of the local control funding formula. (Education Code 42238.02)

(cf. 3553 - Free and Reduced Price Meals)
(cf. 6173.1 - Education for Foster Youth)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)

The Superintendent or designee shall review the single plan for student achievement (SPSA) submitted by each district school pursuant to Education Code 64001 to ensure that the specific actions included in the LCAP are consistent with strategies included in the SPSA. (Education Code 52062)

(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)

The LCAP shall also be aligned with other district and school plans to the extent possible in order to minimize duplication of effort and provide clear direction for program implementation.

(cf. 0400 - Comprehensive Plans)
(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)
(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)
(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)
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Any complaint that the district has not complied with legal requirements pertaining to the LCAP may be filed pursuant to AR 1312.3 - Uniform Complaint Procedures. (Education Code 52075)

Plan Development

The Superintendent or designee shall gather data and information needed for effective and meaningful plan development and present it to the Board and community. Such data and information shall include, but not be limited to, data regarding the numbers of students in various student subgroups, disaggregated data on student achievement levels, and information about current programs and expenditures.

The Board shall consult with teachers, principals, administrators, other school personnel, employee bargaining units, parents/guardians, and students in developing the LCAP. Consultation with students shall enable unduplicated students and other numerically significant student subgroups to review and comment on LCAP development and may include surveys of students, student forums, student advisory committees, and/or meetings with student government bodies or other groups representing students. (Education Code 52060; 5 CCR 15495)

Public Review and Input

The Board shall establish a parent advisory committee to review and comment on the LCAP. The committee shall be composed of a majority of parents/guardians and shall include at least one parent/guardian of an unduplicated student as defined above. (Education Code 52063; 5 CCR 15495)

Whenever district enrollment includes at least 15 percent English learners, with at least 50 students who are English learners, the Board shall establish an English learner parent advisory committee composed of a majority of parents/guardians of English learners. (Education Code 52063; 5 CCR 15495)

The Superintendent or designee shall present the LCAP to the committee(s) before it is submitted to the Board for adoption, and shall respond in writing to comments received from the committee(s). (Education Code 52062)
THE SUPERINTENDENT OR DESIGNEE SHALL NOTIFY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS REGARDING THE SPECIFIC ACTIONS AND EXPENDITURES PROPOSED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE LCAP. THE NOTIFICATION SHALL BE PROVIDED USING THE MOST EFFICIENT METHOD OF NOTIFICATION POSSIBLE, WHICH MAY NOT NECESSARILY INCLUDE PRODUCING PRINTED NOTICES OR SENDING NOTICES BY MAIL. ALL WRITTEN NOTIFICATIONS RELATED TO THE LCAP SHALL BE PROVIDED IN THE PRIMARY LANGUAGE OF PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHEN REQUIRED BY EDUCATION CODE 48985. (EDUCATION CODE 52062)

(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)

THE BOARD SHALL HOLD AT LEAST ONE PUBLIC HEARING TO SOLICIT THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND COMMENTS OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REGARDING THE SPECIFIC ACTIONS AND EXPENDITURES PROPOSED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE LCAP. THE PUBLIC HEARING SHALL BE HELD AT THE SAME MEETING AS THE BUDGET HEARING REQUIRED PURSUANT TO EDUCATION CODE 42127 AND AR 3100 - BUDGET. (EDUCATION CODE 42127, 52062)

(cf. 9320 - Meetings and Notices)

ADOPTION OF THE PLAN

THE BOARD SHALL ADOPT THE LCAP PRIOR TO ADOPTING THE DISTRICT BUDGET, BUT AT THE SAME PUBLIC MEETING. THIS MEETING SHALL BE HELD AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING DESCRIBED ABOVE, BUT NOT ON THE SAME DAY AS THE HEARING.

THE BOARD MAY ADOPT REVISIONS TO THE LCAP AT ANY TIME DURING THE PERIOD IN WHICH THE PLAN IS IN EFFECT, PROVIDED THE BOARD FOLLOWS THE PROCESS TO ADOPT THE LCAP PURSUANT TO EDUCATION CODE 52062 AND THE REVISIONS ARE ADOPTED IN A PUBLIC MEETING. (EDUCATION CODE 52062)

SUBMISSION OF PLAN TO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

NOT LATER THAN FIVE DAYS AFTER ADOPTION OF THE LCAP, THE BOARD SHALL FILE THE LCAP WITH THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS. (EDUCATION CODE 52070)

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Monitoring Progress

The Superintendent or designee shall report to the Board, at least annually in accordance with the timeline and indicators established by him/her and the Board, regarding the district's progress toward attaining each goal identified in the LCAP. Evaluation data shall be used to recommend any necessary revisions to the LCAP.

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)

Technical Assistance/Intervention

When it is in the best interest of the district, the Board may submit a request to the County Superintendent for technical assistance, including, but not limited to: (Education Code 52071)

1. Assistance in the identification of district strengths and weaknesses in regard to state priorities and review of effective, evidence-based programs that apply to the district's goals

2. Assistance from an academic expert, team of academic experts, or another district in the county in identifying and implementing effective programs to improve the outcomes for student subgroups

3. Advice and assistance from the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence established pursuant to Education Code 52074

In the event that the County Superintendent requires the district to receive technical assistance pursuant to Education Code 52071, the Board shall review all recommendations received from the County Superintendent or other advisor and shall consider revisions to the LCAP as appropriate in accordance with the process specified in Education Code 52062.

If the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI) identifies the district as needing intervention pursuant to Education Code 52072, the district shall cooperate with any action taken by the SPI or any academic advisor appointed by the SPI, which may include one or more of the following:

1. Revision of the district's LCAP

2. Revision of the district's budget in accordance with changes in the LCAP
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3. A determination to stay or rescind any district action that would prevent the district from improving outcomes for all student subgroups, provided that action is not required by a collective bargaining agreement.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE
305-306 English language education
17002 State School Building Lease-Purchase Law, including definition of good repair
41020 Audits
42127 Public hearing on budget adoption
42238.01-42238.07 Local control funding formula
44258.9 County superintendent review of teacher assignment
48985 Parental notices in languages other than English
51210 Course of study for grades 1-6
51220 Course of study for grades 7-12
52052 Academic Performance Index; numerically significant student subgroups
52060-52077 Local control and accountability plan
52302 Regional occupational centers and programs
52372.5 Linked learning pilot program
54692 Partnership academies
60119 Sufficiency of textbooks and instructional materials; hearing and resolution
60605.8 California Assessment of Academic Achievement; Academic Content Standards Commission
60811.3 Assessment of language development
64001 Single plan for student achievement
99300-99301 Early Assessment Program
CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5
15494-15497.5 Local control and accountability plan and spending requirements
UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20
6312 Local educational agency plan
6826 Title III funds, local plans

Management Resources:

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Impact of Local Control Funding Formula on Board Policies, November 2013
Local Control Funding Formula 2013, Governance Brief, August 2013
State Priorities for Funding: The Need for Local Control and Accountability Plans, Fact Sheet, August 2013
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California School Accounting Manual
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