

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCILS

Parents make the difference

SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCILS WERE CREATED TO:

- Plan for school improvement through collaboration between parents, educators, administrators, and the local school board.
- Make funding recommendations to improve areas of critical academic need at the school level.
- Increase parent involvement in schoolwide decision making, ensuring the parent point of view is represented.

Your council will be chaired by a parent and will consist of elected parents and educators. The council is required to have parents in the majority to help establish and improve parent involvement in sitebased decision-making.



COUNCILS ARE INFLUENTIAL

- Making decisions about school and financial matters
- Providing feedback to the school board and administration
- · Are a recommending body to the local school board

COUNCILS WILL ANNUALLY:

- Review school-wide assessment data
- · Identify critical academic needs
- Create a plan to address these needs with School LAND Trust program funds
- Communicate with parents about the work of the council

COUNCILS

- Review the Teacher and Student Success Plan
- Provide input on the school Positive Behavior Plan
- Create plans for digital citizenship and school and student safety





PARENTS ON COUNCILS MAKE SCHOOLS BETTER BY:

- Working to reflect the diversity in your school community.
- Communicating and celebrating success.
- Supporting other parents and new council members.
- Coordinating the work between the council and school parent organization.
- Working with the parent organization, school administration, school faculty, and district leadership to coordinate programs and implementation for better results.
- $\bullet\,$ Gathering and sharing the perspectives of other parents.
- Establishing and building relationships between parents and school administration/employees
- Encouraging other parents to participate in the work of councils, including creating subcommittees and task forces that use the skills of other parents in the school that may not be current council members.
- Recruiting other great parents to run in the annual school-wide council member elections



