

PURE *FACT SHEET* LSC Powers and Duties

❖ **School Improvement Planning:** *The LSC determines the direction of the school in the SIPAA.*

The LSC's major SIPAA responsibilities include:

- providing input during the development of the plan
- involving the school community in planning
- presenting the proposed plan to the community
- voting to approve, to request revisions before approval, or not to approve the plan
- monitoring implementation of the plan
- participating in the school annual internal review to evaluate the success of the plan
- reporting to the public twice a year on progress and problems with implementation of the plan

To support the implementation of the SIP, the LSC also:

- makes recommendations to the principal on hiring personnel to fill vacant or newly-created positions
- makes recommendations to the principal on textbook selection and curriculum development
- evaluates and makes recommendations on teaching resources and staff

❖ **School Budgeting:** *The LSC determines how school funds and resources are allocated.*

The LSC's major budget responsibilities include:

- providing input during the development of the budget
- assuring that the budget supports the SIP
- presenting the proposed budget to the community
- voting to approve, to request revisions before approval, or not to approve the budget which includes internal account expenditures
- voting to approve all school fund-raising activities in the school by non-school groups
- monitoring expenditures from the budget including internal account expenditures
- receiving and reviewing monthly internal accounts and other budget expenditure reports

To support the implementation of the budget and SIP, the LSC may also:

- transfer allocations within funds during the year with a supermajority vote
- request that the principal close positions or open new ones

❖ **Principal Evaluation and Selection:** *The LSC directly hires and evaluates the school principal.*

The LSC's major principal evaluation and selection responsibilities include:

- evaluating the principal each year
- evaluating the principal at the end of the four-year contract
- determining whether to renew the principal's four-year contract
- hiring a new principal whenever a vacancy occurs in the principal's position
- establishing additional criteria to the principal's contract, if desired

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