

# School Quality Improvement System

## Overview

- San Francisco Unified School District is one of eight districts in the state of California that banded together and in 2013 was granted a waiver to the federal No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act. The waiver allows these districts to use [the School Quality Improvement System](#) in place of the NCLB accountability rules. The School Quality Improvement System is built upon four foundational goals: college and career ready expectations for all students; a focus on collective responsibility, accountability, and action; the development of internal motivation for change; and focused capacity-building for effective instruction and leadership.

## Importance

- According to CORE, “The School Quality Improvement System will foster a culture of collaboration and continual improvement at every school and will reorient the work of participating districts so that student success in multiple dimensions is at the center of every decision they make and every action they take.”

## Steps to Take

- Review information on the School Quality Improvement System
- Attend SSC, ELAC and/or PTA/PTO meetings to learn more about school improvement plans
- Contract your principal or district staff with questions regarding improvement plans

## Links for more Information

- [California Office to Reform Education](#)
- [CORE press release overview](#)
- [School Quality Improvement System FAQ](#)
- [SFUSD School Quality Improvement System Plan](#)