



San Francisco Board of Education
Parent Advisory Council

Report to the Board of Education

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The role of the Parent Advisory Council (PAC) is to represent parent voices and perspectives to inform Board of Education policy discussions. This report provides a brief update on the PAC's work to support the Our Children, Our Families Council's community outreach campaign and describes our recent work with the LCAP (Local Control and Accountability Plan) Task Force.

Our Children, Our Families Outreach Campaign

This month the PAC is busy leading community conversations to gather input for the **Our Children, Our Families Council** (OCOF) to inform the development of a five-year plan. This plan will provide guidance on how to support all children, youth and families in San Francisco to thrive and succeed. This joint initiative between the San Francisco Unified School District and the Mayor's Office of San Francisco aims to promote greater alignment of resources, expand access, ensure data sharing to better serve families, and ultimately, create a city-wide inventory of publicly funded services and programs.

We have 20 conversations scheduled for November (See Appendix below). The majority of our conversations are being hosted by community organizations that work directly with families that have historically been underserved and whose children attend public schools. Additionally, we are meeting with district advisories and school communities. In each of these conversations, we:

- Describe the purpose, structure and goals of the Our Children, Our Families Council
- Share data points that illuminate the needs of families in San Francisco
- Gather input from participants about what they think families in San Francisco need to thrive and succeed

In addition to sharing our findings and any recommendations from these conversations with the OCOF Council, we will also share them with the Board of Education, district staff and the community at large.

LCAP Task Force

The PAC has been helping to convene the regularly scheduled LCAP Task Force meetings each month and is collaborating with district and community partners to develop this year's outreach and community engagement plan. Last week, the outreach subcommittee met to strategize about this year's approach to community engagement. In this initial conversation, we explored the following:

- How to expand and/or incorporate new voices, such as students, court and county schools and school site staff
- How to broaden our reach with a more systemic approach, including leverage existing parent groups and structures at school sites, developing an LCAP toolkit and creating better alignment between the LCAP engagement efforts and the Balanced Score Card process
- How to establish a year-round LCAP engagement process

We will continue to report on this area of work as plans develop. The next LCAP Task Force meeting is Monday, November 16th from 4-5:30pm at 555 Franklin Street.

Meeting with the California Collaborative on District Reform

PAC staff will attend a meeting in Sacramento hosted by the California Collaborative on District Reform on November 12th and 13th. This two-day working meeting will focus on the implementation of the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) and design of the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) process and template. We appreciate Superintendent Carranza for extending the invitation to join Ruth Grabowski from the Office of Family and Community Engagement to share about our experience with the community engagement process for the development of our district's LCAP. It is also a great opportunity to learn from other districts about how to improve our efforts in the future.

If you have any questions or comments about this report, or the PAC's work in general, please contact the PAC at (415) 355-2201, or at pac@sfusd.edu. You can also visit our website at www.pacsf.org