



# 2019-2020 School Site Council (SSC) Training



# Anticipated Outcome for the Day

**Participants will understand  
the School Site Council's role  
and responsibilities related to  
the development of the  
*School Plan for Student  
Achievement.***

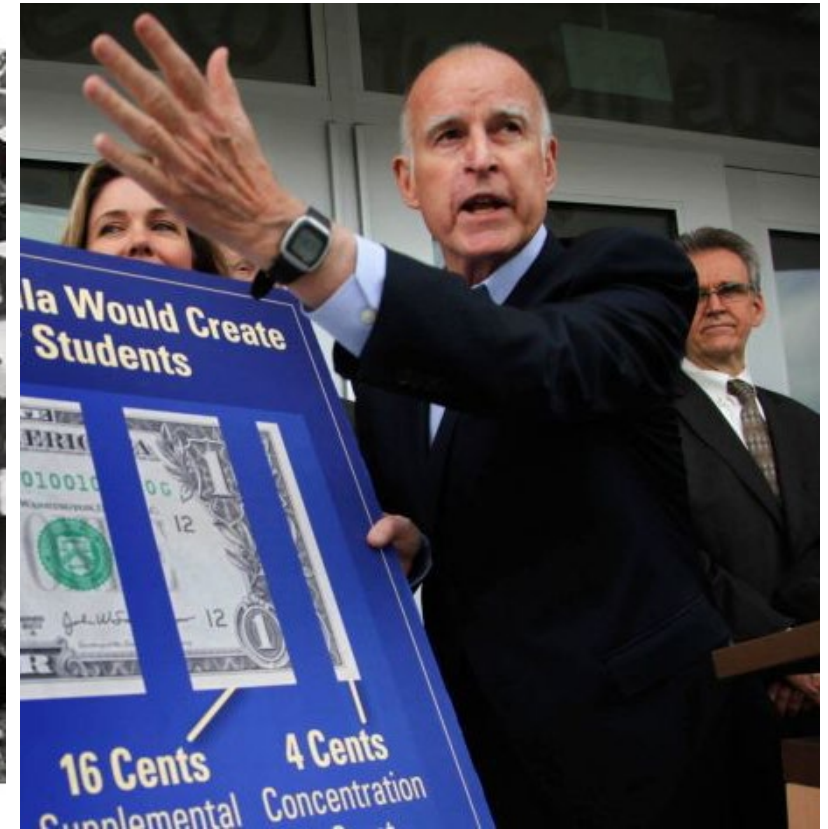
# What is a School Site Council (SSC)?

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The SSC is a group of people, selected by their peers, to represent **parents, teachers, other staff, and students** (in high schools). The **principal** (or designee) is also a member of the SSC.







# Why Are School Site Councils Important?

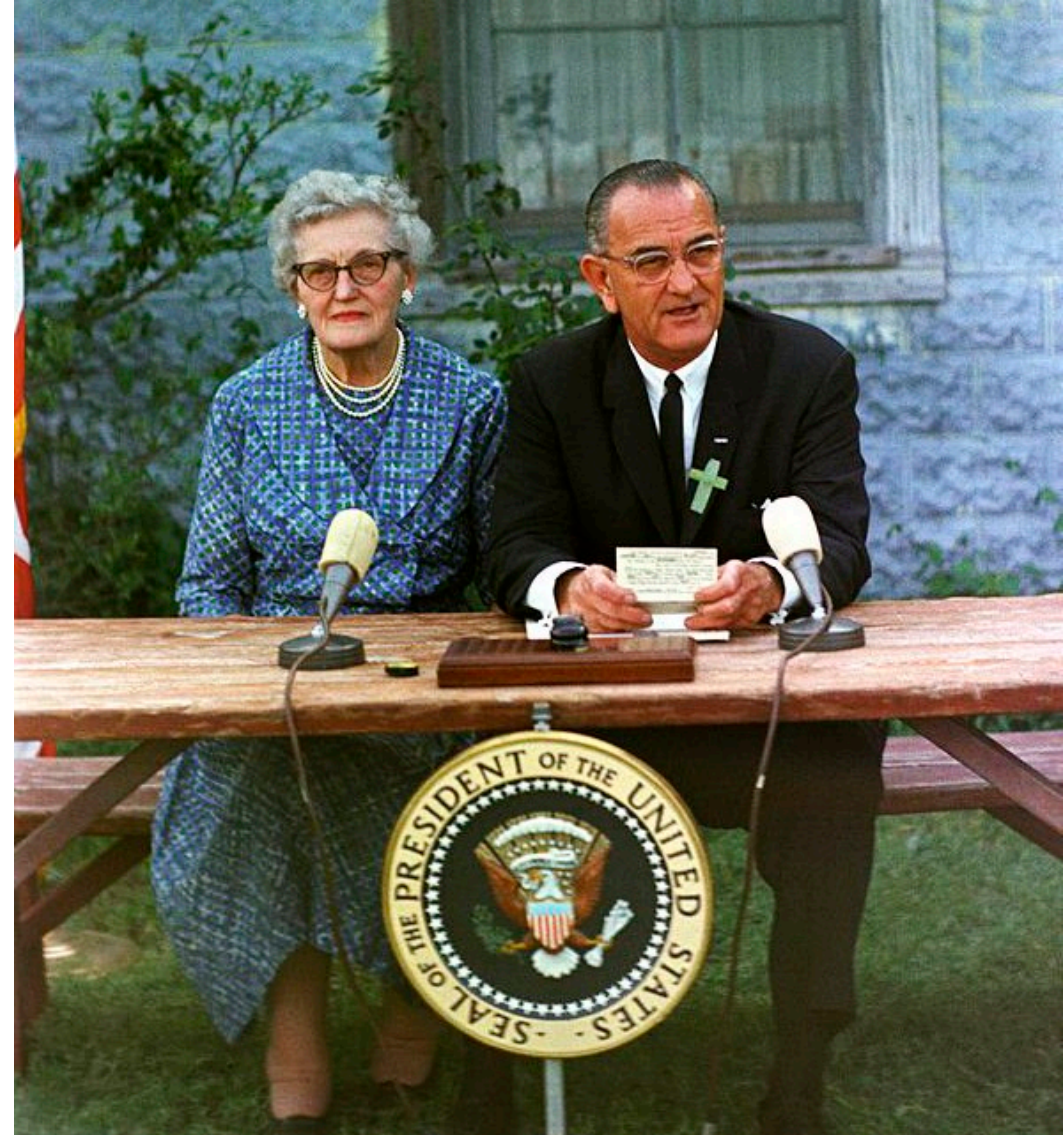
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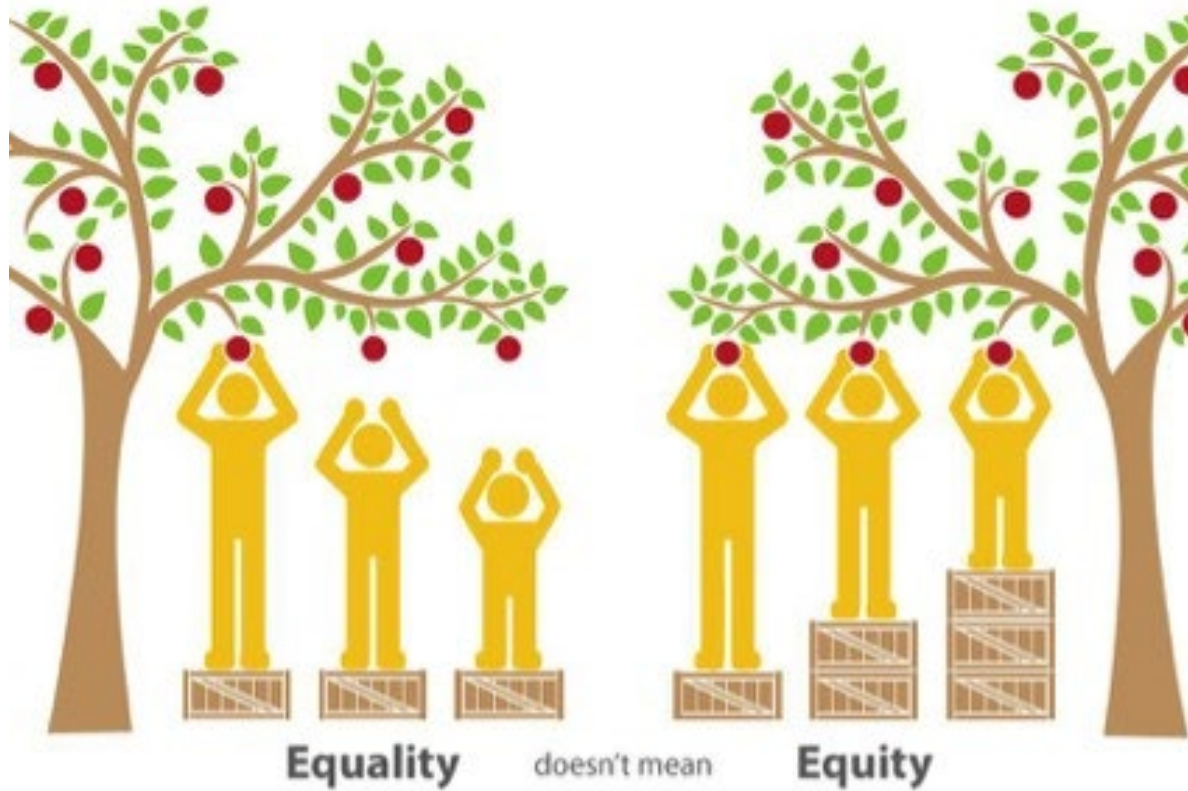
Affording our Highest Need Youth & Families the Civil Rights Dream with Equity at the Heart of Our Work



# Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965

When President Johnson sent the bill to Congress, he urged that the country, “declare a national goal of full educational opportunity.”





Opportunity



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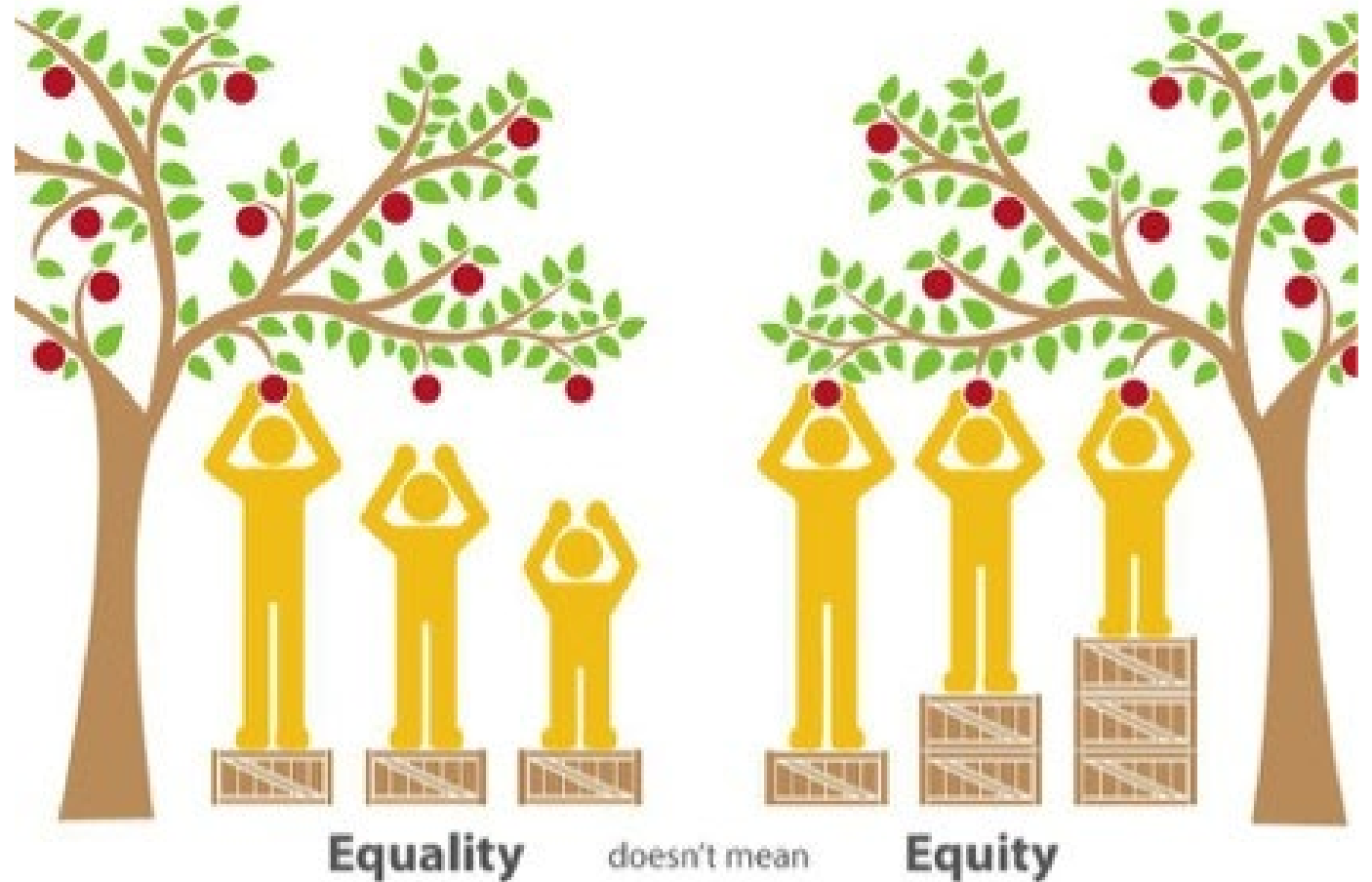
Equality



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Equity

How does your school site ensure that the SSC and School Plan function from a strategic driver versus a compliance driver?



# What is your SSCs Drive? What drives your Why?

Compliance	Coherent & Strategic Actions Driven By a Commitment to Equity
<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Present slightly amended drafts of the School Plan to a council.</li><li>2. Sections in the School Plan and in council conversations are siloed and do not build upon one another. (Ex. Family engagement section not speaking to instructional investments)</li><li>3. Meeting key deadlines and procedures.</li></ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Guide the council through thoughtful studying and self-reflection that results with a plan understood by the membership.</li><li>2. Finalize a plan that makes clearly articulated investments by sections that build upon one another from student achievement strategies to family engagement.</li><li>3. Culminating a document that is implemented and monitored to achieve equity for students and families.</li></ol>



# What can I do to empower students and families in the SSC?

## Do not hand

Do not hand members, especially families and students, a prepopulated course of action in meetings and in the School Plan.

## Guide

Guide members through sections of the School Plan and facilitate learning walks in the classrooms to see the concepts in action (Instructional Rounds).

## Expose

Expose members to a thoughtful study of data, needs assessment, and make connections between the School Plan sections.

## Ensure

Ensure that your family engagement section offers supplemental opportunities to engage families in learning facilitated by school teachers, administrators and community partners.

# Function of School Site Councils as Champions for Equity!



Team Based Approach



Empowering stakeholders, including parents and students, in the learning process:  
School Plan for Student Achievement.



Caring for the rights and needs of highest need families.



Facilitating a cyclical process to improve use of, equitable distribution of, and monitoring gains achieved by Title I families

# What Are the SSC's Primary Responsibilities?



- Develop the *School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)*
- Develop a comprehensive *School Safety Plan*

# Can These Responsibilities Be Delegated to Another Group?

## **SPSA:**

No, however the SSC can enlist the help of others to carry out tasks.

## **School Safety Plan:**

Yes, the SSC may turn over the responsibility to a school safety planning committee if it meets the composition requirement.





# What Does the SSC Need to Know?

**Members of the SSC must be trained in the following areas:**

- Legal requirements
- Data analysis, developing goals, identifying effective strategies, monitoring the plan, evaluating the plan
- Fiscal resources and allowable uses
- Program requirements
- District policies and priorities
- District-level Plans (LCAP & Federal Addendum)



### 3 Questions for the SSC to Consider if the SPSA Fails to Achieve Expected Results

- Are school goals based on valid student assessment data and a factual assessment of current educational practice at the school?
- Were the planned activities based on research and an educationally sound means of reaching school goals?
- Was the plan implemented in a timely and effective manner?



# What Fiscal Resources Are Available to Support the SPSA?



- **Federal Program Funds:**
  - Title I, Part A
  - Title III, Part A
- **State Funds:**  
Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF) or “Targeted Student Population” (TSP) Funds  
*(Note--not under the purview of the SSC)*

# What Resources Are Available to Provide Guidance to the SSC?

## **LAUSD Budget Resources**

<https://achieve.lausd.net/Page/15604>







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**LAUSD's Guidelines for Required School and Central Advisory Committees and School Site Councils**

BUL-6745.0 <https://tinyurl.com/y8y5f9w9>

**LAUSD Federal & State Education Program Resources including SPSA template**

<https://achieve.lausd.net/fsep>



# Who Can Answer Questions or Provide Assistance to the SSC?

- **Local Districts:**
  - Parent & Community Engagement (PACE) Administrators & Parent Educator Coaches
  - Title I Coordinators
  - Data Coordinators
  - Fiscal Specialists
- **Parent & Community Services 213-481-3350**
- **Federal & State Education Programs  
213-241-6990**



# Why YOU are so important!

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- If ***you*** aren't there, the SSC may not have a *quorum*.
- If there is no quorum, the SSC can't take action.
- If the SSC can't take action, they can't develop the SPSA.
- Without a SPSA, the school can't spend their funds.
- If the school can't spend their funds, needy students will miss out on services
- SO...YOU ARE VERY IMPORTANT!!!



# Agenda Review & Break Out Transition