



Greetings

As members of the Community Advisory Committee, you have an incredibly important role to inform and shape how we navigate away from this pandemic, toward a safe return to campus, and to help our highest needs students to use their talents to get ahead. Nonetheless, we know that these times have been difficult for us as parents. Going into the holiday season if you become aware that a family is experiencing difficult financial or health related challenges please let us know. Our hotline team and Student Health and Human Services personnel are available to offer assistance. Know PCS staff and our central office partners are here for you. The winter recess will run this year from December 25-December 31. Nonetheless, please email Mr. Plascencia during this time if you need any assistance during this time.

PCS Updates

Our office continues to coordinate how family engagement will continue in times of distance learning. Similar to last month, we want to highlight achievements attained in partnership with you. Some highlights include:

- ✓ Engaging Communities in Strategic Budgeting Development: PCS worked with Budget Services and Financial Planning Division and Data & Accountability to develop a series for all principals to engage stakeholders at large in the budget development process. The series focused on Asset and Needs Assessment, data informed decision-making, positions, services and programs funded which includes a PowerPoint and facilitator guide.
- ✓ Meet & Greet Segments: An area of focus for PCS is to connect the pipeline of parent leaders from the School Site Council and English Learner Advisory Committee, to our study groups and conferences, and toward our central parent committees. We hosted a session about data and the School Plan in October, a conversation about wellness and services in November, an encore Parliamentary Procedures presentation on November 17, and look forward to welcoming Access, Equity and Acceleration on December 11 to discuss support for African-American and Black families.
- ✓ Staffing the LAUSD Hotline at 213-443-1300: Families may continue to call with any questions and requests for Parent Portal PIN, student identification numbers, questions about COVID-19 testing, and general needs.
- COVID-19 Testing: Our District leadership is continuing to organize testing for students and staff participating in school site services. The plan was expanded to test employees, students and a parent. For information visit: <u>https://achieve.lausd.net/covidtestingappt;</u> <u>https://achieve.lausd.net/covidtesting</u>.

Board of Education Meetings

The Los Angeles Unified Board of Education continues to broadcast on Zoom and KLCS. Meetings and agendas are available at <u>https://boe.lausd.net/</u>.

- Annual Board Meeting on January 5, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. This meeting was rescheduled to 12/15/2020
- **Regular Board Meeting** on January 21, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
- **Committee of the Whole Meeting** on January 26, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.





Responsibilities Assigned to the CAC

ARTICLE 7. Community Advisory Committee [56190 - 56194]

<u>56190-</u>

Each plan submitted under Section 56195.1 shall establish a community advisory committee. The committee shall serve only in an advisory capacity

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The members of the community advisory committee shall be appointed by, and responsible to, the governing board of each participating district or county office, or any combination thereof participating in the local plan. Appointment shall be in accordance with a locally determined selection procedure that is described in the local plan. Where appropriate, this procedure shall provide for selection of representatives of groups specified in Section 56192 by their peers. Such procedure shall provide that terms of appointment are for at least two years and are annually staggered to ensure that no more than one half of the membership serves the first year of the term in any one year

<u>56192 ·</u>

The community advisory committee shall be composed of parents of individuals with exceptional needs enrolled in public or private schools, parents of other pupils enrolled in school, pupils and adults with disabilities, regular education teachers, special education teachers and other school personnel, representatives of other public and private agencies, and persons concerned with the needs of individuals with exceptional needs.

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At least the majority of such committee shall be composed of parents of pupils enrolled in schools participating in the local plan, and at least a majority of such parents shall be parents of individuals with exceptional needs

<u>56194 ·</u>

The community advisory committee shall have the authority and fulfill the responsibilities that are defined for it in the local plan. The responsibilities shall include, but need not be limited to, all the following:

(a) Advising the policy and administrative entity of the special education local plan area regarding the development, amendment, and review of the local plan. The entity shall review and consider comments from the community advisory committee.

(b) Recommending annual priorities to be addressed by the plan.

(c) Assisting in parent education and in recruiting parents and other volunteers who may contribute to the implementation of the plan.

(d) Encouraging community involvement in the development and review of the local plan.

(e) Supporting activities on behalf of individuals with exceptional needs.

(f) Assisting in parent awareness of the importance of regular school attendance.

(g) Supporting community involvement in the parent advisory committee established pursuant to Section 52063 to encourage the inclusion of parents of individuals with exceptional needs to the extent these pupils also fall within one or more of the definitions in Section 42238.01

Enroll in the Parent Portal! http://parentportal.lausd.net or call 213-443-1300 for assistance



Visit the Office of Parent & Community Services COVID-19 Resources page to access Parent Portal and general resources you may need during distance learning. You may also click on the following hyperlinks:





| Troubleshooting Tips for accessing zoom on an iPad - Click for Info |
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| Student MyMail Account - Click for Info |
| School Opening Student Checklist/Schedule- August 18-19 - Click for Info |
| Parent Portal Resources (Password Reset and Parent Pin) - Click for Info |
| Schoology Resources from Personalized Learning Systems - Click for Info |
| Los Angeles Unified Resources for Families During School Closures - Click for Info |
| Instructional Continuity - Click for Info |
| Resources for Parents of Students with Disabilities - Click for Info |
| Community Resources for Your Family - Click for Info |
| Videos for Parents to Learn Online Applications Used for Distance Learning - Click for Info |
| Resources from the Instructional Technology Division - Click for Info |
| Resources for Immigrant Families - Click for Info |
| Emergency Renters Relief Program - Click for Info |
| CA on Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Card - Click for Info |
| Metro Public Transportation (Free to Reduced Cost) - Click for Info |
| California Employment Development Department - Click for Info |
| What You Need to Know About LA's Eviction Protections - Click for Info |
| Los Angeles Public Library Resources - Click for Info |
| Los Angeles Foodbank -Click for Info |
| First Aid for Feelings Workbook - Click for Info |
| Local and Convenient Child Care Options - Click fo Info |