

SIP Bites – School Advisory Council Composition (Membership)

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SAC Compositions Due Friday, October 6, 2023

Each school is required to establish a School Advisory Council (SAC) that is representative of the population served by the school. Per state statute *S1001.452*, a majority of the SAC members must not be employees of Broward County Public Schools. Members consist of the school principal and an appropriately balanced number of teachers, education support employees, students (only required for career centers and high schools), parents and other business and community members.

SAC Membership

- The SAC membership must be representative of the ethnic, racial and economic community served by the school. The acceptable discrepancy between the SAC Membership and the School Demographics for ethnicity/race is +/-20%.
- The majority (at least 51% or more of the total membership) of SAC members must be non-school district employees with a minimum of one (1) representative for each group (teachers, education support employees, students, parents and other business/ community citizens).
- Each peer group shall elect their respective representatives in a fair and equitable manner at a scheduled general meeting:
 - Teachers must be elected by teachers.
 - Non-instructional support employees must be elected by non-instructional support employees.
 - Parents must be elected by parents.
 - Students must be elected by students.
- Only the school principal is authorized to be a member as an administrator. Assistant principals **cannot** be members of SAC as they are in administrative roles.

Minimum Standards for SAC Representation			
BTU Steward (or designee)	I-Zone Representative (must be elected by SAC)	Principal	
SAC Chairperson(s) (must be elected by SAC)	Non-Instructional Support Employees	Parents	
Community/Business Representatives	Pre-K (if applicable) (parent or certified teacher)	Teachers (classroom teachers, guidance counselors, ESE specialists, academic coaches, media specialists, etc.)	
Community School Representative (if applicable)	ESE Parent of a student at the school (parent of ESE student; required if 10 or more ESE students)	SAF Chairperson (or designee) (parent of a student at the school, but shall not be employed by the School Board of Broward County at the school where they will serve.	
I-Zone Representative (must be elected by SAC)	Pre-K (if applicable) (parent or certified teacher)	(parent of ESOL student; required if 10 or more ESOL students)	
Non-Instructional Support Employees	Gifted Parent of a student at the school (parent of Gifted student; required if 10 or more Gifted students)	Students (required for high school & adult/technical centers, optional at the middle school)	

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SAC Peer Group Elections

The school is responsible for setting up the SAC elections process and procedures, which are accurately reflected in the school's SAC Bylaws. Schools should follow the procedures for all Spring or Fall membership elections and vacancies that may occur throughout the year.

*Note: Refer to Article III Membership, Section 3 of your school's Bylaws to determine the length of the term of your SAC members (one, two or three years). If you are within the election window, follow the processes below.

Befo	re the l	Election	
		AC Chair/Co-chairs or leadership designee should collaborate with all the peer s to establish a general election schedule (date, time, location and collection of s).	
	Each peer group will		
	0	Advertise positions/vacancies on SAC to their respective peer groups.	
	0	Collect nominations for open positions/vacancies.	
	0	Create the slate/ballot to include all nominees for each position.	
	0	Establish an election schedule (date, time, location and collection of results) and notify the SAC Chair.	
	Peer g	group election meetings should	
	0	Be advertised at least seven (7) full business/workdays in advance on the school	
		website, marquee, parent link, newsletter, etc. including the date, time and location	
		for each peer group election meeting.	
	0	Include a list of all SAC positions available and names of nominees	
		collected from the nominations.	
Durir	ng the	Election	
	Cond	luct the vote for each peer group - Parents, teachers, non-instructional	
	supp	ort employees and students (required for high school & adult/technical	
	cente	ers, optional at the middle school).	
	l Reco	Record results of the election.	
After	the El	ection	
	l Resp	Respective peer groups will share the election results with the SAC Chair/Co-	
	chair	or designee.	
	1 The	elected members from each peer group election will be presented at the next	
	sche	duled SAC meeting, as the newly elected SAC members.	

Nominating Committee (SAC Bylaws, Article IV, Section 5):

After peer group elections are complete, a nominating committee should be established for the purpose of electing the SAC Officers (Chair/Co-chairs and SAC Secretary) and I-Zone Representative from the general membership.

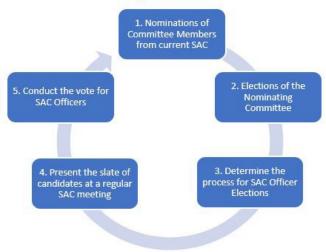
Establishing a Nominating Committee

- ☐ At a regular SAC meeting, the current SAC members will elect three members for the nominating committee.
- ☐ This committee should include at least one, but not more than two, of the current elected officers (if applicable) and the remaining members from the general membership.
- ☐ The SAC Committee should receive nominations from the current membership as candidates for the nominating committee.
- ☐ The nominating committee determines the process and timeline for collecting nominations for each officer position (SAC Chair/Co-chairs and Secretary) and I-Zone Representative position on the SAC Committee.

Nomination Process

- ☐ The nominating committee presents a slate of candidates for each office (SAC Chair/Co-chairs and Secretary) and the I-Zone Parent Representative position and/or receives nominations from the floor at the SAC meeting in which officers are elected. Refer to Article IV, Section 2 of your Bylaws for your school's specific time frame.
- ☐ Make sure the meeting minutes reflect the voting results.

Nominating Committee Process



^{**}Remember, SAC Compositions are due in the SAC Upload Center by **Friday**, **October 6**, **2023**. Use this deadline date to backwards plan for your SAC elections.

SAC Officers and I-Zone Representative Elections

After the nominating committee is established the process of selecting the SAC Officers (Chair/Co-chairs and SAC Secretary) and I-Zone Representative from the general membership will commence.

Note: Refer to your SAC Bylaws, Article IV, Section 3, on when the installation of these officers will occur.

Before the Meeting

After the SAC members have been established from the peer group elections,

- □ Determine the meeting date, per your established meeting schedule, for the election of the SAC Officers and I-Zone Representative according to your SAC Bylaws (Article IV, Section 2).
- ☐ Include SAC Officers and I-Zone Representative Elections as a topic on the meeting agenda.
- ☐ Since the meeting includes elections, notice/advertise it at least seven (7) full business/workdays in advance on the school's website, marquee, parent link, newsletter, etc.
 - o Clearly state the date, time and location of the meeting
 - Include a list of all SAC officer positions (e.g., SAC Chair/SAC Co-Chairs, SAC Secretary) and the I-Zone Representative position available.

During the Meeting

- ☐ The Nominating Committee will facilitate the election process for SAC Officers and the I-Zone Parent Representative.
- ☐ Conduct the vote for the SAC Chair/Co-Chairs, SAC Secretary and the I-Zone Parent Representative. Remember a quorum (51% or more of the total membership) must be present before a vote may be taken.
- ☐ Record minutes to reflect the voting process and results of the vote.

After the Meeting

- □ Add the newly elected SAC Officers and I-Zone Representative to the online SAC Composition program.
- $\hfill \square$ Save the completed SAC Composition as a PDF.
- ☐ Upload the new SAC Composition to the SAC Upload Center in BCPS Central.



SAC Composition (Membership) Quick Reference Guide

DIRECTIONS FOR COMPLETING SAC COMPOSITION MEMBERSHIP

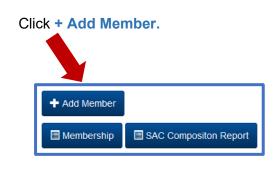
- 1. The online SAC Composition report is located in BCPS Central: https://web01.browardschools.com/ospa/ospa-central2/login.asp
- 2. Click on the **School Improvement Plan** tab located on the menu to the left of the screen.

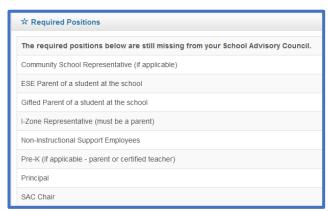


3. Scroll down to the **Effective Communication** section of the SIP and click on the **SAC Composition Report** tab.

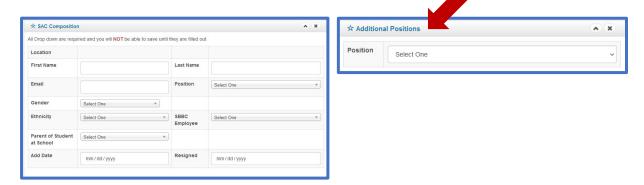


 Required SAC Positions: Required positions are listed in this section. A minimum of one representative is required for each position. As you add the positions to your composition they will disappear from the list.



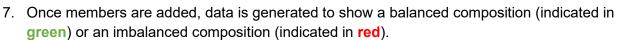


5. All fields are required and must be filled in except Additional Positions (only if applicable). Use the **Additional Positions** button for SAC members who hold more than one position on the SAC Committee.



6. Click **Save** in the lower left-hand corner upon completion. The individual is now added to the SAC membership composition for the school.

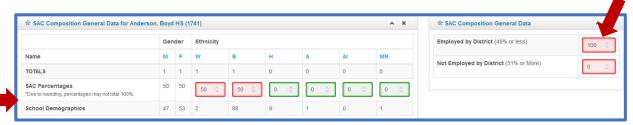
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a. SAC Percentages vs. School Demographics: Must be within +/- 20 percentage points.

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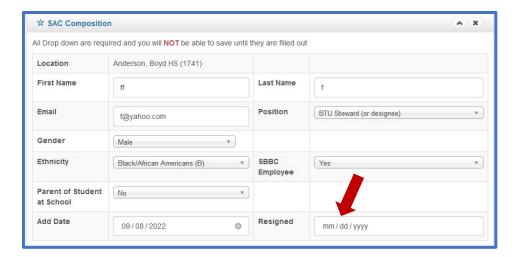
b. Employee vs. Non-Employee: At least 51% or more of the total membership must be non-employees.



• **To Edit Members:** Click the **Edit** button to change information about an existing SAC member. Click **Save** in the bottom left-hand corner once you have made changes.



• **Member Resignation:** Click the **Edit** button and indicate the exact date a member resigns. Once the changes have been made, click **Save** in the bottom left-hand corner.



8. Once your SAC Composition is balanced (all green), download the SAC Composition Report and upload it to the SAC Upload Center.



9. **Attendance and Sign-In Sheets:** Once members are added to the SAC Composition, a SAC Composition Report **and** meeting sign-in sheets for committee members and guests can be generated and printed from this program.

