A district shall maintain policies and procedures to ensure that effective planning and site-based decision making occur at each campus to direct and support the improvement of student performance for all students. *Education Code 11.253(a)*

**Committees**

A district’s policy and procedures shall establish campus-level planning and decision-making committees as provided by Education Code 11.251(b)–(e).

The committees shall include representative professional staff, parents of students enrolled in a district, business representatives, and community members.

*Education Code 11.251(b), .253(b)*

**Professional Staff**

A board shall adopt a procedure, consistent with Education Code 21.407(a) [see DGA], for the professional staff to nominate and elect the professional staff representatives who shall serve on the campus-level committees. If practicable, a committee shall include at least one professional staff representative with the primary responsibility for educating students with disabilities.

At least two-thirds of the elected professional staff representatives must be classroom teachers. The remaining staff representatives shall include both campus- and district-level professional staff members.

*Education Code 11.251(e)*

**Parents**

Board policy shall provide procedures for the selection of parents to the campus-level committees.

For purposes of establishing the composition of committees:

1. A person who stands in parental relation to a student is considered a parent.

2. A parent who is an employee of a district is not considered a parent representative on the committee.

3. A parent is not considered a representative of community members on the committee.

*Education Code 11.251(c), (e)*

**Business Representatives and Community Members**

Board policy must provide procedures for the selection of community members and business representatives to serve on the committee in a manner that provides for appropriate representation of the community’s diversity.
A committee shall include a business representative without regard to whether the representative resides in the district or whether the business the person represents is located in the district.

Community members must reside in the district and must be at least 18 years of age.

*Education Code 11.251(b), (c), (e)*

**Meetings**

A board shall establish a procedure under which campus-level committees hold regular meetings. *Education Code 11.251(b)*

**Public Meeting**

Each campus-level committee shall hold at least one public meeting per year. The required meeting shall be held after receipt of the annual campus rating from TEA to discuss the performance of the campus and the campus performance objectives. *Education Code 11.253(g)*

**Communications**

District policy and campus procedures must be established to ensure that systematic communications measures are in place to periodically obtain broad-based community, parent, and staff input, and to provide information to those persons regarding the recommendations of the campus-level committees. *Education Code 11.253(g)*

**Consultation**

A principal shall regularly consult the campus-level committee in the planning, operation, supervision, and evaluation of the campus educational program. *Education Code 11.253(h)*

**Responsibilities**

In accordance with the administrative procedures established under Education Code 11.251(b) [see BQ], the campus-level committee shall be involved in decisions in the areas of planning, budgeting, curriculum, staffing patterns, staff development, and school organization. *Education Code 11.251(d)*

**Campus Improvement Plan**

Each school year, the campus-level committee shall assist the campus principal with the development, review, and revision of the campus improvement plan. *Education Code 11.253(c) [See Campus-Level Plan at BQ(LEGAL)]*

Each school district and campus shall use the results from the teaching and learning conditions survey required by Education Code 7.065(a) to review and revise, as appropriate, the district-level or campus-level improvement plans, and for other purposes, as appropriate to enhance the district and campus learning environments. *Education Code 7.065(e)*

**Staff Development**

The campus-level committee must approve the portions of the campus plan addressing campus staff development needs. *Education Code 11.253(e)*
The staff development described by Education Code 21.451(a) must be predominantly campus-based, related to achieving campus performance objectives established under Education Code 11.253, and developed and approved by the campus-level committee. Education Code 21.451(b) [See DMA]

A campus-level committee for a junior, middle, or high school campus shall analyze information related to dropout prevention, including:

1. The results of the audit of dropout records;
2. Campus information related to graduation rates, dropout rates, high school equivalency certificate rates, and the percentage of students who remain in high school more than four years after entering grade 9;
3. The number of students who enter a high school equivalency certificate program and:
   a. Do not complete the program;
   b. Complete the program but do not take the high school equivalency examination; or
   c. Complete the program and take the high school equivalency examination but do not obtain a high school equivalency certificate;
4. For students enrolled in grades 9 and 10, information related to academic credit hours earned, retention rates, and placements in disciplinary alternative education programs and expulsions under Chapter 37; and
5. The results of an evaluation of each school-based dropout prevention program in the district.

A campus-level committee shall use the information in developing the campus improvement plan.

Education Code 11.255

A performance incentive awarded to a principal shall be distributed to the principal’s school. The campus-level committee shall determine the manner in which the performance incentive shall be distributed and used, in accordance with Education Code 39.264(a). Education Code 21.357(c)

Note: See BF for information on the committee’s role in requesting waivers.