STANDARDS FOR EFFECTIVE COUNCILS

SGC Measures of Success

STANDARD ONE:

Clarity: Operate with a clear vision and purpose

Act Strategically
- Oversee the development of a clear strategic plan that reflects the districts priorities
- Organize the council, its committees, and meetings to advance the aims of the strategic plan
- Review financial and operational data regularly and carefully, using it to make sound decisions that allocates resources strategically

Monitor Progress
- Understand how student outcomes are measured at the school
- Use data to inform council decisions
- Review indicators of success regularly to measure progress towards school goals

STANDARD TWO:

Culture: Commit to Exemplary Governance

Build and Maintain an Engaged Council
- Ensure high participation in council activities by all members
- Recruit and maintain a full slate of excellent council members who bring diverse skills, experience, and perspectives
- Elect a SGC chair who can successfully lead the council and engage all members

Build and Maintain a High Functioning Council
- Participate in the council’s development, providing orientation for new members and engaging in ongoing training offered externally
- Assess council performance annually, holding the council accountable for achieving its goals and governing effectively
- Create a trusting, candid and supportive relationship with the school leader addressing challenges pro-actively

STANDARD THREE:

Communication: Build a Story of Impact for your SGC

Inform, Engage, and Invest Stakeholders
- Operate as Ambassadors for the constituency that you represent
- Leverage multiple platforms to ensure stakeholders are aware of progress and key decisions made on behalf of the school
- Provide public with opportunities to participate in council activities and weigh in on council decisions