E. School Improvement Teams

I. Purpose

In accordance with the RI Educational Accountability Act of 2019 the Superintendent and the principals of the Narragansett School System shall establish a school improvement team for each school in the district, and shall develop procedures for the election and appointment of School Improvement Team members. The team members shall normally be selected at the beginning of each school year and shall serve for a term of one year, which may be renewed.

II. Membership

Each School Improvement Team shall be comprised of the principal and an appropriately balanced number of teachers, education support employees, students, parents, and other business and community citizens who are representative of the ethnic, racial, and economic community served by the school. Members representing teachers, education support employees, students, and parents shall be selected by their peer groups at the school in a fair and equitable manner.

Per state statute, SIT members **must** include the following:

- the principal, and
- an appropriately balanced number of:
 - o teachers
 - education support employees
 - o department heads
 - o students (when age appropriate)
 - o parents/guardians; and
 - o business and community citizens who are representative of the ethnic, racial, and economic communities served by the school.

The School Committee may, from time to time, establish a separate district-wide school improvement team representative of the district generally and comprised of teachers, students, parents, and other citizens or a district School Improvement Team which may be comprised of representatives of each School Improvement Team.

III. Responsibilities

The primary duties stipulated by the Education Accountability Act of 2019 for SITs include consulting with the principal to:

- assist in the identification of the educational needs of the students attending the school;
- make recommendations for the development, implementation, and assessment of a curriculum accommodation plan;
- assist in the review of the annual school budget;
- assist in establishing an interview team for vacancies of new teachers assigned to the school. Interview teams shall include members of the school community related to the vacancy, and may include members of the SIT;
- develop and submit to the Superintendent a plan for improving student performance (School Improvement Plan).

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