Policy BBFA: Local School Councils

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The Newton County Board of Education, recognizing the need to improve parent and community involvement in the schools, hereby establishes local school councils as advisory bodies. Each school shall have a local school council meeting the requirements of state law and operating pursuant to appropriately adopted by-laws.

It shall be the responsibility of local school councils to provide advice and recommendations to the school principal and, where appropriate, to the Superintendent and the Board. The Superintendent shall approve and make available a Handbook of School Council Administrative Procedures/Bylaws and Guidelines and Code of Ethics for adoption by each council.

Whenever a vacancy occurs in the position of principal at a school, the superintendent shall consult with the school council as he deems appropriate to assist him in making a recommendation to the board. A vacancy occurs in the position of principal when the position is to be filled from applications submitted to the district and not from a reassignment of existing personnel.