

# HARNESS THE POWER OF SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL



## Do You Know that the SSC...

- Will play a critical role in the hiring of school staff through the personnel subcommittee?
- Can waive any provisions of the collective bargaining agreement or any School Committee rule or regulation or Superintendent's policy?
- Reviews and comments on the entire school budget including the General Fund and External funds budgets?

## Location and Time

# Bruce C. Bolling Municipal Building, Roxbury MA 02119  
4:30 – 6:30 pm (dinner served)

+ & ++ BTU Hall, 180 Mount Vernon St, Dorchester, MA 02125  
+ 8:30 – 1:30 pm (breakfast and lunch)/ ++ 4:15-6:30 pm (dinner)

\* Title I Training Center, 445 Warren Street, Dorchester, MA 02121  
5:30 – 7:30 pm (Dinner served)

**ALL OTHER COMMUNITY LOCATIONS 5:00-7:00 pm**

## Register/More Information

BTU Members [carew@btu.org](mailto:carew@btu.org), 617.288.2000  
Community & Parents [twatkins@boston.k12.ma.us](mailto:twatkins@boston.k12.ma.us), 617.635.7750  
BPS Staff [www.mylearningplan.com](http://www.mylearningplan.com)

## SSC 2015 – 2016 Training Dates

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descriptions

October 21, 2015 – SSC 101  
*Jackson Mann Community Center*

#October 22, 2015 – SSC 105

\*October 26, 2015 - SSC 101

November 2, 2015 – SSC 101  
*E. Boston Social Center*

November 4, 2015 – SSC 101  
*Ohrenberger*

#November 5, 2015 – SSC 105

\*November 12, 2015 – SSC 102

#November 19, 2015 – SSC 104  
(5:30-7:30 pm)

+November 21, 2015 – SSC Teams

++December 2, 2015 – SSC 102

++December 3, 2015 – SSC 102

\*December 7, 2015 – SSC 102

#December 10, 2015 – SSC 105

\*January 7, 2016 – SSC 106

++January 20, 2016 – SSC 106

+January 30, 2016 – SSC Teams

++February 8, 2016 – SSC 106

\*February 22, 2016 – SSC 106

++March 7, 2015 – SSC 106

\*March 14, 2016 – SSC 104

# SSC TRAINING DESCRIPTIONS

## **SSC 101: School Site Council Basics & Shared Decision Making**

(Dates: 10/21, 10/26, 11/2, 11/4)

This workshop focuses on the roles and responsibilities of the SSC in the school's decision-making process, including recent changes. School leaders, educators, and parents will master foundational concepts needed to develop and maintain an effective School Site Council. Participants will also deepen their understanding of shared decision making principals and techniques and will receive tools to promote SSC success.

## **SSC 102: School Site Council & Budget\*** (Dates: 11/12, 12/2, 12/3, 12/7)

This session focuses on the important role of the SSC in developing and approving the school's budget. School teams will learn about the BPS weighted student funding budget process, and get experience with building consensus.

## **SSC 104: Recruiting and Retaining a Diverse Council** (Dates: 11/19, 3/14)

Effective recruiting strategies are critical to developing a Council that reflects the diversity of the families and staff in the building – racial, ethnic and programmatic including ELL and students with disabilities.

## **SSC 105: Engaging Students in Decision Making** (Dates: 10/22, 11/5, 12/10)

Student voice is a critical part of the high school SSC. Learn how to engage students as active participants and decision-makers; and to deepen students' understanding of their role and responsibility as a member of School Site Councils and Governing Boards.

## **SSC 106: Personnel Subcommittee\*** (Dates: 1/7, 1/20, 2/8, 2/22, 3/7)

This session focuses on the roles and responsibilities of the SSC in selecting a Personnel Subcommittee to hire school staff; and provides support to ensure that the subcommittee works effectively.

## **SSC Teams (Fall Session)** (Date: 11/21)

Introduces School Site Council teams to recent changes and foundational concepts that are critical to being an effective School Site Council; and builds understanding of the role of SSC in the budget process. Each school must register one SSC member from each stakeholder – Administration, parents, BTU members, and students (at high school).

## **SSC Teams (Winter Session)** (Date: 1/30)

School Site Council teams will learn the basics of budget and shared decision-making, and their role in hiring school staff. Each school must register one SSC member from each stakeholder – Administration, parents, BTU members, and students (at high school).

***\*It is highly recommended that participants take the SSC 101 Training or view the Webinar before taking this training***