

LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCILS 101

Everything you need to vote in Chicago's 2018 LSC election on April 18th and 19th

What is a Local School Council (LSC)?

Local School Councils (LSCs) are school-based management teams that make important decisions on the budget and running of each school in Chicago Public Schools (CPS). While most LSCs are elected, some are appointed and have more limited powers. They are comprised of 6 parents, 2 community members, 2 teachers, 1 non-teacher staff, and 1 non-voting student adviser (in high schools only). They are responsible for three main things:



Developing and monitoring the School Improvement Plan



Approving how school funds and resources are allocated



Evaluating and selecting the school principal

Your vote can make a big difference.

Did you know? LSC elections are the only school elections for CPS. Because they are based on school zones, they are the most hyperlocal elections in the whole city!

Where and when are elections?



Enter your address to find schools where you are eligible to vote and view the candidates running.

You must vote in person at the school holding the LSC election:







positions on the school's LSC (6 parent members and 2 community members) for the new two-year term of office beginning July 1, 2018.

School staff members will take a poll on election day. They have the opportunity to run and vote for up to 2 candidates for 3 positions on the LSC (2 teacher members and 1 non-

opportunity to run and vote for up to 5 candidates for 8

Parents and community members will have the



teacher member) for the new term of office. Students will take a poll on different day to select a student

What do you need to vote?

representative to advise the LSC.

Parents of students

- Legal guardians Temporary custodians
- enrolled in the school

ELIGIBLE VOTERS

Any resident 18 years or

older living within the

school's attendance

Current ID Verification by the

school or a document

WHAT TO BRING

- showing that you are the parent or
- guardian of student(s) enrolled in the school Current ID Document establishing your address



You must vote in person. There is no absentee



In the event that a person with a disability who is eligible to vote cannot enter a school, election judges must provide a ballot at curbside.



Eligible voters will get one ballot and can vote for up to five candidates. You can cast one ballot for each school where you are eligible to vote.



Questions or concerns about an election near you? Call **CHICAGO** LAWYERS Chicago Lawyers' Committee

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More info on CPS LSC elections at http://cps.edu/Pages/LSCElections.aspx