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Dear Parents,

Freedom Elementary School is in the process of electing members to the School Site Council (SSC) for the 2016-2017 school year. The SSC is required for schools receiving categorical funds such as Title III funds. These funds are used to supplement the regular school program. Freedom Elementary School receives the following categorical funds: Title III, Immigrant Ed and Title III, Language Instruction for English Learners.

The purpose of the of the SSC is to ensure the school is continually engaged in identifying and implementing curriculum and instructional practices resulting in strengthening the core academic program and ensuring pupils have success in school. This core program should embody the District's curriculum, which itself should reflect the state frameworks and curriculum standards. The SSC is charged with the task to develop and approve the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA); which is a comprehensive plan designed to improve the effectiveness of the school program The school's improvement effort should also be coordinated with the District's effort to upgrade its curriculum offerings and quality of instruction in order that both the school, through the SSC, and the Governing Board, through the District Office, become part of a single improvement effort. The council shall carry out all other duties and responsibilities assigned to it in the Education Code of the State of California.

Freedom Elementary School in Clovis Unified School District (CUSD) has designated our School Site Council (SSC) established pursuant to California Education Code (EC) Section 52852 to function as the School Advisory Committee (SAC). One member of the SAC designates one member from the school SSC to serve as a voting member on the District Advisory Committee (DAC). SAC serves an advisory committee for the purpose of advising schools regarding their specific categorical programs and the role of developing the LCAP in the creation of a plan that will make a meaningful difference in the lives of our students. The District Advisory Committee (DAC) will engage in meaningful consultation, under the guidelines provided by Administrative Procedure 9062, on any program changes that have not originated from the DAC.

In order to accomplish this task, the SSC meets on a regular basis to assess student needs, develop and approve the plan including categorical budgets, and monitor its implementation. At Freedom Elementary School the SSC meets on a quarterly basis in the MPR.

Members of the SSC include the principal, classroom teachers, other staff members, parents, and at the secondary level, students. Members of the SSC are elected by their peers; therefore parents are elected by parents. Freedom Elementary Parents need to be elected this year for the 2016-2017 SSC. A member serves for two years. If you are interested in being a member of the SSC, please fill out the nomination form below and return it to school with your child no later than October 7.

Sincerely,

Carrie Carter
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FREEDOM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM

I am interested in being a member of the School Site Council (SSC) and would like to place my name in nomination. I understand that after all nominations are in, a ballot will be sent home for final selection.

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Name	Child's Name	Room #

Return to school by October 7, 2016.