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53A-1a-108.5 School improvement plan.

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 - (a) A school community council established under Section 53A-1a-108 shall annually evaluate, with the school's principal, the school's statewide achievement test results, reading achievement plan, class size reduction needs, and technology needs, and use the evaluations in developing a school improvement plan to improve teaching and learning conditions.
 - (b) In evaluating statewide achievement test results and developing a school improvement plan, a school community council may not have access to data that reveal the identity of students.
- (2) A school community council shall develop a school improvement plan that:
 - (a) identifies the school's most critical academic needs;
 - (b) recommends a course of action to meet the identified needs;
 - (c) lists any programs, practices, materials, or equipment that the school will need to implement its action plan to have a direct impact on the instruction of students and result in measurable increased student performance;
 - (d) describes how the school intends to enhance or improve academic achievement, including how financial resources available to the school, such as School LAND Trust Program money received under Section 53A-16-101.5 and state and federal grants, will be used to enhance or improve academic achievement; and
 - (e) if the school community council represents a school that educates students in kindergarten, grade 1, grade 2, or grade 3, includes a reading achievement plan as described in Section 53A-1-606.5.
- (3) Although a school improvement plan focuses on the school's most critical academic needs, the school improvement plan may include other actions to enhance or improve academic achievement and the community environment for students.
- (4) The school principal shall make available to the school community council the school budget and other data needed to develop the school improvement plan.
- (5) The school improvement plan is subject to the approval of the local school board of the school district in which the school is located.
- (6) A school community council may develop a multiyear school improvement plan, but the multiyear school improvement plan must be presented to and approved annually by the local school board.
- (7) Each school shall:
 - (a) implement the school improvement plan as developed by the school community council and approved by the local school board;
 - (b) provide ongoing support for the council's school improvement plan; and
 - (c) meet local school board reporting requirements regarding performance and accountability.
- (8) The school community council of a low performing school, as defined in Section 53A-1-1202, shall develop a school improvement plan that is consistent with the school turnaround plan developed by the school turnaround committee under Chapter 1, Part 12, School Turnaround and Leadership Development Act.

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