

The First Task **ASK!** Is to

SCHOOL-BASED DECISION MAKING (SBDM) COUNCIL – INFORMED DECISION MAKING

Ask Yourself	Ask Your Principal/Chairperson
Do I have access to the information necessary to make informed decisions prior to the council meetings?	Can you email me a copy of the meeting agenda, minutes to be approved, and any documents that we will be discussing/approving at our next meeting prior to that meeting?
Do I have current copies of the council bylaws and policies?	Are the bylaws and policies updated? If not, what is the plan to update the bylaws and policies to ensure that they promote student achievement?
How will I communicate council information to my role group?	How is the information contained in these policies communicated to stakeholders?
Do I have access to the most recent state test data?	How and when will the state test data be presented to the council?
Does the council discuss/analyze ongoing accountability data (beyond the state test data) to inform its decisions?	What accountability data will be regularly presented to the council?
Do I know how to access our current Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (CSIP)?	How will the council monitor the implementation of the CSIP?
How can I access our current budget?	How often will the council receive budgetary updates? How will these funds be monitored to ensure that they have the highest impact on student achievement?
Am I aware of the current process for the development of the CSIP and school budget?	Are there any improvements that need to be made to the current process to ensure that the council makes the most informed decisions possible?

The school council shall have the responsibility to set school policy consistent with district board policy which shall provide an environment to enhance the students' achievement and help the school meet the goals established by KRS 158.645 and 158.6451.

—KRS 160.345

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