

**Belmont -
MASC - BDFA-E
School Improvement Plan**

The Principal, in conjunction with the school council, shall be responsible for preparing a written school improvement plan annually.

The Superintendent shall notify the administrators of the intended timeline for submission and review of School Improvement Plans. This plan shall be written and submitted for approval to the Superintendent and reviewed by the School Committee. The plan should be drafted with the following in mind:

1. The educational goals for the school, consistent with District mission and goals, and the goals and standards, including student performance standards, as adopted by the Massachusetts Board of Elementary and Secondary Education.
2. An assessment of the needs of the school in light of the proposed educational goals.
3. The means to address student performance, with focus on improvement of student learning.
 - a. Specify expected student outcomes and measurable/observable results.
 - b. Clearly identify actions to be taken to implement the goals.
 - c. Indicate anticipated costs and available funding sources.
 - d. Delineate the method of evaluating and reporting progress and results.
4. Professional development for the school's professional staff.
5. The enhancement of parent/guardian involvement in the life of the school, safety, and discipline.
 - a. Include a plan on how to solicit community support for the changes being developed.
6. The development of means for meeting the diverse learning needs of every child.
7. The establishment of a culture of inclusion and respectful of diversity.
8. Any further subjects as the Principal, in consultation with the school council, shall consider appropriate, except that:
 - a. The council shall have no authority over matters that are subject to Chapter

- 150E, the collective bargaining law, and
- b. The council may not expand the scope of its authority beyond that established in law or expressly granted by School Committee policy.

If the school improvement plan is not approved by the Superintendent, it shall be returned to the Principal with specific comments as to the reason(s). The Principal shall revise the plan in cooperation with the school council, and resubmit it for approval.

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