

## **Advisory Council On Instruction 2013**

The ACI is one of several committees/councils appointed by the School Board to advise the School Board and, when appropriate, to make recommendations on issues or policies related to the successful operation of the school system. Specifically, ACI assists in the continuous systematic review of various aspects of the instructional program and in the development of recommendations for instructional improvement. The Council's work includes:

- \*Reviewing existing instructional programs,
- \*Making recommendations for the introduction of new programs,
- \*Conducting studies of instructional topics from time to time as determined by the School Board, and
- \*Appointing advisory committees in the various subject areas as specified in the ACI policy.

ACI is made up of 40 to 50 individuals appointed by the School Board, representing each APS school, and several civic organizations. This group attends monthly meetings, reviews committee reports and recommendations, and votes on the recommendations to be presented to the School Board. Active participation by the ACI representative is critical to the success of ACI. Representatives should be fully integrated with the organization they represent – providing regular updates to their organization and seeking comments on reports.

There are fourteen instructional committees: Arts; Career, Technical and Adult Education; Early Childhood; English Language Arts; ESOL/HILT; Family and Consumer Science; Gifted Services; Health and Physical Education; Math; Pupil Services; Science; Special Education; Social Studies; and World Languages. These committees review instructional programs and make recommendations for improvements or changes in each specific subject area. These recommendations are presented to the ACI and the School Board.

Please visit the APS website to find ACI information, application for instructional committee membership, schedules, previous year reports and recommendations: [www.apsva.us/aci](http://www.apsva.us/aci)

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