Learn More About Brent’s Local School Advisory Team (LSAT)

DCPS has a Local School Advisory Team at every school

The Local School Advisory Team (LSAT) is a group of elected and appointed members that exists at every DCPS school. The team (formerly the Local School Restructuring Teams) consists of parents, teachers, non-instructional school staff, a community member, and in some cases students, to advise the principal on matters that promote high expectations and high achievement for all students. Local School Advisory Teams are a key lever to increasing transparency at DCPS and ensuring decisions affecting school communities are made collaboratively with the help of a diverse group of school stakeholders. As such, every District of Columbia public school must have a functioning LSAT that is constituted according to the LSAT Guidelines, and that conducts the business outlined therein. LSAT Meetings are open to the Brent Community unless otherwise noted.

Brent’s LSAT advises Brent leadership on:

Budget and staffing
- Reviewing budget, allocation of school resources and staffing

Goals and Priorities
- Aligning goals and priorities with school vision and objectives

Curriculum
- Exploring curriculum options and monitoring overall student progress

School Culture and Engagement
- Studying School culture, family engagement and building connections

How can families participate in the LSAT?

- Participate in LSAT meetings. LSAT meetings will be held once per month and meeting login information will be listed in Tues News.
- Email Brent’s Principal, Norah Lycknell at norah.lycknell@k12.dc.gov or the LSAT Chair, when elected, potential agenda topics for LSAT meetings.

LSAT Meeting Dates for SY 20-21

- Wednesday, September 2, 2020
- Wednesday, October 7, 2020
- Wednesday, November 4, 2020
- Wednesday, December 2, 2020
- Wednesday, January 6, 2021
- Wednesday, February 3, 2021
- Wednesday, March 3, 2021
- Wednesday, April 7, 2021
- Wednesday, May 5, 2021
- Wednesday, June 2, 2021

All meetings will take place by Zoom until further notice. Please contact the LSAT Chair (when elected) or any LSAT representative for details about each meeting.

LSAT Members for SY 20-21

LSAT Brent Staff Members
- Norah Lycknell, principal
- Sara Ewbank, assistant principal
- Emma Bailey, teacher, ECE
- Cati Bisanz, teacher, 1st grade
- Emily Kadash, teacher, 2nd grade focus teacher
- Sara Werstuik, teacher, 5th grade

LSAT Parent Representatives
- Jean Blackerby Strich
- Sarah Goldsmith
- Ann Heilman-Dahl
- Josie Malone
- Gretchen Anne Phillips
- Greta Peisch
- PTA, DWG and SIT representatives (TBD)