The Local Early Education Planning Council of Santa Clara County is seeking individuals who are interested in applying for membership to the Council.

Local Early Education Planning Council Visions, Mission and Goals:
The Local Early Education Planning Council (LPC) was established by an act of the State Legislature in 1991 and is a collaborative association of representatives from the early care and education field. A joint committee of board members from the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors and Santa Clara County Board of Education oversees the Council (i.e. Joint Child Care Committee, JCCC). The mission of the LPC is to assess, represent, and promote the early care and education needs of children and families in Santa Clara County. The Vision and Mission of the LPC is as follows:

**Vision:**
Every Child a Learner
Every Teacher a Professional
Every Family Connected

**Mission:** The Mission of the LPC is to assess, represent, and promote the early care and education needs of children and families in Santa Clara County.

**LPC functions and responsibilities:**
The LPC advises the County Board of Supervisors and County Board of Education on child care program and policy issues, conducts research and analysis, makes recommendations on California Department of Education funding, and coordinates county wide projects to assist the development of child care. The LPC has a membership of 30 individuals from 5 categories: Parents/Child Care Consumers, Child Care Providers, Public Agency representatives, Community Representatives, and Public/Discretionary Members (descriptions are noted below). Committee Members serve three-year terms. All LPC meetings are open to the public.

Additionally, each LPC member serves on at least 1 LPC sub-committee or LPC Associate: Data, Policy, Workforce, the Inclusion Collaborative, or the Title 5 Providers Group (NOTE: For this committee you will have to be a state subsidized child care contractor).

Each of the 5 categories represented on the LPC has 6 positions:
1. **Parents/Child Care Consumers:** parents or persons who receive or who have received child care services within the past 36 months;
2. **Child Care Providers:** persons who provide child care services or represent persons who provide child care services;
3. **Public Agency Representatives:** persons who represent a city, a county, or a local education agency;
4. **Community Representatives:** persons who represent an agency or business that provides private funding for child care services or who advocate for child care services through participation in civic or community based organizations, but are not child care providers and do not represent agencies that contract with the California Department of Education to provide child care and development services;
5. **Public/Discretionary Member:** persons from any of the above categories or outside of these categories at the discretion of appointing agencies.

**Applicants are being sought these positions. The application process is as follows:**
1. Applicants must submit the form on reverse side with an **application statement** to: Michael Garcia, Director – Child Care at Michael_Garcia@sccoe.org.
2. Please send in your application by Friday, May 8th 2020 by 3:00 p.m.
3. The Membership Elections will take place at the LPC meeting on May 13th 2020, 1 – 3 p.m. at the SCCOE.
4. The election results will be forwarded to the LPC’s oversight committee, the Joint Child Care Committee, for review & approval.
5. New LPC members will be invited to attend the following LPC meeting.
6. An Orientation will be held for new LPC members.

**All applicants will be informed of their status at each step of this process.**
This Nomination Form & Application Statement must be received by Michael Garcia, Director – Child Care Planning & Support by email Michael_Garcia@sccoe.org or mail (1290 Ridder Park Drive, MC 261, San Jose, CA 95131)

Nominations must be received by Friday, May 8th 2020 by 3 p.m. for consideration!!

Name: ____________________________________________

Address (work or home): ________________________________________________________________

Email: ___________________________ Phone: _______________________________

Applicants must work or live in Santa Clara County, and exhibit:
1) a strong commitment to advocating for increased quality early learning services;
2) an ability to make information-based decisions;
3) an ability to work in a team environment;
4) an ability to work collaboratively with multiple LPC members;
5) excellent leadership skills; and
6) a good sense of humor.

Council Member duties include:
1. Participate in a new member orientation.
2. Attend LPC General Meetings (September, November, March, & May). Members may send an alternate to no more than 1 meeting per year.
3. Attend LPC Retreats (August & February). Members may send an alternate to no more than 1 Retreat per year.
4. Serve on at least 1 LPC Committee or 1 LPC Associate Committee, and attend Committee meetings in person or via conference call (meeting schedule to be determined by Committee Chairs).
5. Thoughtful and consistent response to concerns of the County Board of Supervisors, County Superintendent of Schools, LPC Members, parents, child care providers, community based organizations, and the general public.

Check all categories under which you are applying for nomination. See previous page for category descriptions.

- Child Care Consumer
- Child Care Provider
- Public Agency Representative
- Community Representative

The LPC has a strong commitment to ensuring geographical, ethnic, and gender diversity on the Council. Please complete the following:

- Northern Santa Clara County: Los Altos, Mountain View, Sunnyvale, Palo Alto, East Palo Alto
- West Valley: Campbell, Cupertino, Los Gatos, Saratoga
- City of San Jose
- South County: Gilroy, Morgan Hill, San Martin
- Central/East Santa Clara County: Alviso, Milpitas, Santa Clara

In what part of the county do you work:

- North SCC
- West Valley
- San Jose
- South County
- Central/East SCC
- None

In what part of the county do you live:

- North SCC
- West Valley
- San Jose
- South County
- Central/East SCC
- None

I am:

- Male
- Female
- White
- African-American
- Hispanic/Latino
- Asian-American/Pacific Islander
- American Indian
- Other: ____________________________

Languages Spoken Fluently: ____________________________

APPLICATION STATEMENT: On a separate page, attached to this form, please explain your qualifications for serving on the LPC. Describe your community, professional, or personal experiences that enables you to provide leadership and work collaboratively with diverse groups of people. Please list specific contributions you would make to the work of the LPC. We are unable to accept statements longer than one 8½ x 11 typed page (or two handwritten pages), or without signature and date below.

I, the undersigned, understand that this application will be processed as described on the reverse side, and does not guarantee me a position on the LPC. I will be informed of my status during each stage of the process.

Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________________________