Accreditation Guiding Principles
California Public Schools

The ACS WASC accreditation principles are embedded within the Focus on Learning (FOL) process and reflected in the ACS WASC Accreditation Cycle of Quality. These guiding principles enable a school to demonstrate:

1. Total involvement and collaboration of all stakeholders
2. A culture that nurtures and supports the well-being of all students
3. Accomplishment of its vision, mission, and schoolwide learner outcomes/graduate profile
4. High achievement by all students in relation to district goals, schoolwide learner outcomes/graduate profile and academic standards
5. Use of multiple ways to analyze data about student achievement, including California Dashboard indicators, student and staff perceptions/interviews, examining student work, and observing students engaged in learning
6. Evaluation of the program effectiveness in relation to 1) impact on student learning based on schoolwide learner outcomes/graduate profile, major student learner needs, and academic standards; and 2) meeting an acceptable level of quality in accordance with the ACS WASC criteria
7. Alignment of prioritized findings to a schoolwide action plan/SPSA aligned with LCAP goals focusing on student achievement
8. Continuous school improvement/accountability