FAQ

What is SISC?

SISC stands for Self Insured Schools of California, which is a joint powers agreement administered by the Kern County Superintendent of Schools Office. SISC was established to pool resources in order to give schools a more stable long-term insurance solution and lower insurance costs. SISC strives to provide the best coverage and service to its members while keeping costs affordable and stable.

The SISC board of directors is elected by member districts. All board members are employees of school districts. This ensures that SISC policies are set with the best interests of schools in mind. For more detailed information about SISC, go to http://sisc.kern.org/.

SCOE joined the SISC schools insurance pool in 2008. SISC administers our Blue Shield medical plan and Flex Plan.

Are SISC and RESIG related? Both of these organizations operate under a joint powers agreement, also known as a JPA. RESIG is the local pool for Sonoma County schools for administration of health benefits, retiree health premium payments, COBRA, loss prevention, and Workers’ Compensation. RESIG joined SISC for health benefits in 2008 to provide better rates for medical coverage and improved Flex Plan administration for member districts.

What is a JPA? School districts are allowed by law to enter into a joint powers agreements to achieve a common goal or purpose. The individual districts agree to be members of the JPA, and the JPA is governed by a board elected by the member districts. The board operates according to by-laws adopted by the membership.