Figure C1.2 Exhibit 2: School Improvement Process

Corrective Action for Schools

If, after two years of undergoing school improvement, implementing a school improvement plan, and receiving extensive technical assistance, a school still does not make AYP, the SEA and LEA* must identify it for corrective action. Identifying a school for corrective action signals the LEA's intention to take greater control of the school's management and to have a more direct hand in its decision making. This identification signifies that the application of traditional school improvement methods and strategies has been unsuccessful and that more radical action is needed to improve learning conditions for all students. Taking corrective action is designed to increase substantially the likelihood that all students enrolled in the school will meet or exceed the state's proficient levels of achievement.

What are the responsibilities of the LEA when the SEA and LEA identify a school for corrective action?

If the SEA and LEA identify a school for corrective action, the LEA must:

- · Continue to ensure that all students have the option to transfer,
- Continue to ensure that supplemental educational services are available to eligible students in the school,
- Continue to provide or provide for technical assistance to the school.

In addition, the LEA must take at least one of the following corrective actions:

- Institute a new curriculum grounded in scientifically based research and provide appropriate professional development to support its implementation;
- Extend the length of the school year or school day;
- Replace the school staff who are deemed relevant to the school not making adequate progress;
- Significantly decrease management authority at the school;
- · Restructure the internal organization of the school;
- Appoint one or more outside experts to advise the school (1) how to revise and strengthen the improvement plan it
 created while in school improvement status and (2) how to address the specific issues underlying the school's continued
 inability to make AYP.

^{*}AYP = Adequate Yearly Progress; SEA = State Education Agency (state department of education); LEA = Local Education Agency (school district).