Policy 0510: School Accountability Report Card

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The Governing Board recognizes its responsibility to inform parents/guardians and the community about the conditions, needs, and progress at each district school and to provide data by which parents/guardians can make meaningful comparisons between schools. The process of gathering and analyzing data also provides opportunities for school and district staff to review achievements and identify areas for improvement.

The Board shall annually issue a school accountability report card (SARC) for each school site. (Education Code 35256)

In preparing the district's report cards, the Superintendent or designee may choose to use or adapt the model template provided by the California Department of Education. If the model template is not used, the Superintendent or designee shall ensure that data are reported in a manner that is consistent with the definitions for school conditions as provided in the template. At least every three years, the Board shall compare the content of the district's report cards to the state's model template, recognizing that variances are allowed by law as necessary to meet local needs. (Education Code 33126.1, 35256)

The Board shall annually approve the SARCs for all district schools and shall evaluate the data contained in the SARCs as part of the Board's regular review of the effectiveness of the district's programs, personnel, and fiscal operations.

The Superintendent or designee shall develop strategies for communicating the information contained in the SARCs to all stakeholders, including opportunities for staff and the community to discuss their content.

Notification and Dissemination of SARCs

The Superintendent or designee shall annually publicize the issuance of the SARCs and notify parents/guardians that a paper copy will be provided upon request. On or before February 1 of each year, the Superintendent or designee shall make the SARCs available in paper copy and on the Internet. (Education Code 35256)

Policy Reference Disclaimer:
These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State	Description
CA Constitution Article 16, Section 8.5(e)	Allocations to State School Fund
Ed. Code 1240	County superintendent of schools; duties

Ed. Code 17002	State School Building Lease-Purchase Law, including definition of good repair
Ed. Code 17014	Plan for building maintenance
Ed. Code 17032.5	Portable classroom maintenance
Ed. Code 17070.15	School Facilities Act; definitions
Ed. Code 17089	Portable classroom maintenance
Ed. Code 33126	School accountability report card
Ed. Code 33126.1	School Accountability Report Card model template
Ed. Code 33126.15	School Accountability Report Card template
Ed. Code 33126.2	Secretary of Education school accountability report card study
Ed. Code 35256	School Accountability Report Card
Ed. Code 35256.1	Information required in the School Accountability Report Card
Ed. Code 35258	Internet access to the School Accountability Report Card
Ed. Code 41409	Calculation of statewide averages
Ed. Code 41409.3	Salary information required in the School Accountability Report Card
Ed. Code 46112	Minimum school day for grades 1 through 3
Ed. Code 46113	Minimum school day for grades 4 through 8
Ed. Code 46117	Minimum kindergarten school day
Ed. Code 46141	Minimum school day (high school)
Ed. Code 51225.3	High school graduation requirements
Ed. Code 52052	Accountability; numerically significant student subgroups
Ed. Code 60119	Textbook sufficiency
Ed. Code 60600-60618	General provisions
Ed. Code 60640-60648.5	California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress
Ed. Code 60800	Physical fitness testing
Federal	**Description**
20 USC 6311	State plan
Management Resources	**Description**
U.S. DOE, Guidance	Report Cards, September 12, 2003
Website	CSBA District and County Office of Education Legal Services
Website	California Department of Education, School Accountability Report Card

Website	CSBA, SARC Select
Website	U.S. Department of Education

Cross References

Code	Description
0420	School Plans/Site Councils
0420	School Plans/Site Councils
0420.4	Charter School Authorization
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0450	Comprehensive Safety Plan
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0500	Accountability
1000	Concepts And Roles
1100	Communication With The Public
1112	Media Relations
1113	District And School Websites
1113	District And School Websites
1113-E(1)	District And School Websites
1114	District-Sponsored Social Media
1114	District-Sponsored Social Media
3517	Facilities Inspection
3517-E(1)	Facilities Inspection
5145.6	Parent/Guardian Notifications
5145.6-E(1)	Parent/Guardian Notifications
6000	Concepts And Roles
6117	Year-Round Schedules
6142.7	Physical Education And Activity
6142.7	Physical Education And Activity
6162.5	Student Assessment
6190	Evaluation Of The Instructional Program
9000	Role Of The Board