

# Santa Barbara Unified School District

## Board Policy

**Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans**

**BP 0510**

### **SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT CARD**

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)

*(cf. 0500 - Accountability)*

*(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)*

*(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)*

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.

*(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)*

*(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)*

*(cf. 1112 - Media Relations)*

### **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)

*(cf. 5145.6 - Parental Notifications)*

*Legal Reference:*

EDUCATION CODE

1240	County superintendent, general duties
17002	Definition, including good repair
17014	Plan for building maintenance
17032.5	Portable classroom maintenance
17070.15	School Facilities Act; definitions
17089	Portable classroom maintenance
33126	School Accountability Report Card
33126.1	School Accountability Report Card model template
33126.15	School Accountability Report Card template
33126.2	Secretary of Education school accountability report card study
35256	School Accountability Report Card
35256.1	Information required in the School Accountability Report Card
35258	Internet access to the School Accountability Report Card
41409	Calculation of statewide averages
41409.3	Salary information required in the School Accountability Report Card
46112	Minimum school day for grades 1 through 3
46113	Minimum school day for grades 4 through 8
46117	Minimum kindergarten school day
46141	Minimum school day (high school)
51225.3	Requirements for graduation
52052	Academic performance index
52053	Immediate intervention/underperforming schools program
52056	Meeting growth targets
60119	Textbook sufficiency
60600-60618	General provisions
60640-60648	Standardized testing and reporting program
60800	Physical fitness testing
60850	High school exit examination
60851	High school exit examination

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

Article 16, Section 8.5(e) Allocations to State School Fund

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6311 State plans, including local educational agency report cards

*Management Resources:*

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION GUIDANCE

Report Cards, September 12, 2003

WEB SITES

CSBA, SARC Select: <http://www.csba.org/Services/Services/DistrictServices/SARC.aspx>

California Department of Education, School Accountability Report Card: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/sa>

U.S. Department of Education, No Child Left Behind Act: <http://www.nclb.gov>

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