

### **Accountability Goals**

#### **A. High School Graduation Rate Goals**

The board will annually adopt district-wide graduation goals and direct each high school to annually establish goals, subject to board approval, to increase the percentage of on-time graduates receiving a high school diploma. Graduation rate goals for each group of students, identified in Federal requirements, shall not be less than 85 percent.

#### **B. District and School Reading and Mathematics Improvement Goals**

The board will adopt district-wide performance improvement goals for English language arts and mathematics and direct each school in the district that administers the statewide assessment to adopt performance improvement goals to increase the percentage of students meeting the standard in English language arts and mathematics.

The following goals and calculation methodologies will be established to measure and improve student achievement in reading and mathematics within the grade level bands as measured by the statewide assessment will be administered as required by state and federal law.

1. The baseline of achievement for the district and schools on the fourth, seventh, and tenth grade reading and mathematics assessments are the starting points established using the federal requirements in the Washington State No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Accountability Plan.
2. The goal for the district and for each school is to increase the percentage of students in the following categories in meeting or exceeding the reading and mathematics improvement goals on the state uniform bar as established using the federal requirements in the Washington State No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Accountability Plan:
  - a. All students;
  - b. Students of each major racial and ethnic group;
  - c. Economically disadvantaged students;
  - d. Students served in Special Education; and
  - e. Students served in the state's Transitional Bilingual Instructional Program.
3. The district and all schools shall demonstrate satisfactory progress toward the performance improvement goals by meeting the federal requirements or by showing improvements using the alternative "Safe Harbor" calculation

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Once a year the board shall issue a report to parents/guardians and present it in a public meeting. The report shall include the following:

1. The district's and buildings' improvement goals.
2. Student performance relative to the goals.
3. District and building plans to achieve the goals, including curriculum and instruction, parent/guardian involvement, and resources available to parents/guardians to assist students in meeting the state standards.

Annually the district will report in a news release the district's progress toward meeting the district and building goals. The report shall also be included in each school's annual school report.

Cross References: Policy 4000 Public Information Program

Legal References:	RCW 28A.655.100	Performance goals – Reporting requirements
	WAC 180-105-020	Reading and Mathematics
	WAC 180-105-060	High School Graduation

Management Resources:

<i>Policy News</i> , June 2010	High School Proficiency Examination
<i>Policy News</i> , December 2005	Requirements Revised
<i>Policy News</i> , October 2003	A+ Commission's Revised Performance Improvement Goals
<i>Policy News</i> , June 1999	Accountability Bill Includes Policy Implications
<i>Policy News</i> , June 1998	Boards must set reading goals
<i>Policy News</i> , August 1998	CORRECTION: Reading goals policy

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