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Accountability/Commitment to Accomplishment

The Board accepts its ultimate responsibility for the academic accomplishments of district students. Consistent with this responsibility and as required by law, the Board shall adopt and maintain an accountability program to measure the adequacy and efficiency of the educational program.

In accordance with state law, the Board shall appoint members of a district accountability committee. School accountability committee members shall be appointed by the school principal. The district accountability committee and school accountability committees shall have those powers and duties prescribed by state law. The Board and the district accountability committee shall, at least annually, cooperatively determine the areas and issues, in addition to budget issues, that the district accountability committee shall study and the issues on which it may make recommendations to the Board.

All district accountability committee meetings and school accountability committee meetings shall be open to the public. Meeting notices for district accountability committee meetings shall be posted in the same place and manner as notices of Board meetings. Notices for school accountability committee meetings shall be posted in the school.

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LEGAL REFS.: C.R.S. 22-2-117 (waivers from State Board of Education)

C.R.S. 22-11-101 et seq. (Education Accountability Act of 2009)

C.R.S. 22-11-301 and 302 (district accountability committee)

C.R.S. 22-11-401 and 402 (school accountability committees)

C.R.S. 24-6-402 (open meetings law)

1 CCR 301-1, Rules 2202-R-1.00 et seq. (accreditation rules)

CROSS REFS.:

Board policies:

EL-5, Commitment to Accomplishment and Accountability

EL-6, Educational Program

GP-7, Committee Structure

Administrative policies:

AEA, Standards Based Education

AED*, Accreditation

AEE*, Waiver of State Law and Regulation

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Accountability Commitment to Accomplishment

District accountability committee

The district accountability committee (DAC) shall consist of at least:

- three parents of students enrolled in district schools
- one teacher employed by the district
- one school administrator employed by the district
- one person who is involved in business or industry in the community within the district's boundaries

A person may not serve in more than one of the required membership roles on the DAC. A person who is employed by the district or related to a district employee shall not be eligible to serve as a parent on the DAC. "Related" means the person's spouse, son, daughter, sister, brother, mother or father. If, however, the district makes a good faith effort and is unable to identify a sufficient number of parents that meet these criteria, a person may serve as a parent on the DAC and also be employed by the district or related to a district employee.

The Board shall appoint persons to the DAC. In making these appointments, it shall ensure, to the extent practicable, that:

- the parents appointed reflect the student populations significantly represented within the district;
- at least one of the parents is a parent of a student enrolled in a district charter school authorized by the Board, if one exists; and
- at least one of the persons appointed has a demonstrated knowledge of charter schools.

If the Board chooses to increase the number of persons on the DAC, it shall ensure that the number of parents appointed exceeds the number of representatives from the group with the next highest representation.

The DAC shall also establish a schedule of meetings and adopt general rules for its operation.

School accountability committees

Each school accountability committee (SAC) shall consist of at least:

- three parents of students enrolled in the school
- one teacher who provides instruction at the school
- the principal or principal's designee
- one person who is involved in business or industry in the community
- one adult member of an organization of parents, teachers and students recognized by the school.

A person may not serve more than one of the required membership roles on the SAC. If, after making good-faith efforts, a principal or an organization of parents,

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teachers and students is unable to find a sufficient number of persons who are willing to serve on the SAC, the principal, with advice from the organization of parents, teachers and students, may establish an alternate membership plan for the SAC. Such alternate plan shall reflect the required representation stated above as much as practicable.

Members of the SAC shall be appointed by the principal of each school. The principal shall ensure, to the extent practicable, that the persons appointed reflect the student populations significantly represented within the school.

If the principal chooses to increase the number of persons on any SAC, the principal shall ensure that the number of parents appointed exceeds the number of representatives from the group with the next highest representation.

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