

Board Policy

Goals for the School District

BP 0200

Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans

As part of the Governing Board's responsibility to set direction for the school district, the Board shall adopt long-term goals focused on the achievement and needs of all district students. The district's goals shall be aligned with the district's vision, mission, philosophy, and priorities and shall be limited in number so as to be reasonably achievable within established timelines.

(cf. 0000 - Vision)

(cf. 0100 - Philosophy)

(cf. 9000 - Role of the Board)

When developing the district's goals, the Board shall consider the following areas:

1. Developing curriculum, assessments, and instructional materials that are aligned with the state's content standards, frameworks, and assessments

(cf. 6141 - Curriculum Development and Evaluation)

(cf. 6161.1 - Selection and Evaluation of Instructional Materials)

(cf. 6162.51 - Standardized Testing and Reporting Program)

(cf. 6162.52 - High School Exit Examination)

2. Maintaining safe and orderly campuses which promote learning

(cf. 0450 - Comprehensive Safety Plan)

3. Ensuring that all students achieve proficiency in essential areas of skill and knowledge and attain the academic, career, and technical skills needed to succeed in a knowledge- and skills-based economy

(cf. 6142.91 - Reading/Language Arts Instruction)

(cf. 6142.92 - Mathematics Instruction)

(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)

(cf. 6146.5 - Elementary/Middle School Graduation Requirements)

(cf. 6178 - Career Technical Education)

4. Providing for the specialized needs of identified groups of students, including providing necessary support and intervention programs and closing the gap between low-achieving and high-achieving students

(cf. 5149 - At-Risk Students)

(cf. 6164.4 - Identification and Evaluation of Individuals for Special Education)
(cf. 6164.6 - Identification and Education Under Section 504)
(cf. 6172 - Gifted and Talented Student Program)
(cf. 6174 - Education for English Language Learners)
(cf. 6179 - Supplemental Instruction)

5. Providing a system of shared accountability for student achievement with clear performance standards and consequences

(cf. 0510 - School Accountability Report Card)
(cf. 2140 - Evaluation of the Superintendent)
(cf. 4115 - Evaluation/Supervision)
(cf. 4215 - Evaluation/Supervision)
(cf. 4315 - Evaluation/Supervision)
(cf. 9400 - Board Self-Evaluation)

6. Promoting student health, nutrition, and physical activity in order to enhance learning

(cf. 3550 - Food Service/Child Nutrition Program)
(cf. 5030 - Student Wellness)
(cf. 6142.7 - Physical Education)
(cf. 6142.8 - Comprehensive Health Education)

7. Developing each student's self-respect, respect for others, appreciation for diversity, and sense of personal responsibility

(cf. 5137 - Positive School Climate)
(cf. 6142.3 - Civic Education)

8. Allocating time and resources for staff collaboration, planning, and professional development activities aligned with the district's goals

(cf. 4131 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4231 - Staff Development)
(cf. 4331 - Staff Development)

9. Maintaining fiscal integrity for the district and aligning resources to instructional needs and priorities for student achievement

(cf. 3100 - Budget)
(cf. 3400 - Management of District Assets/Accounts)
(cf. 3460 - Financial Reports and Accountability)

10. Improving the organization, management, and decision-making structure and capabilities of the district to better support the education of students

(cf. 2000 - Concepts and Roles)

11. Employing technology in ways that enhance learning, teaching, and noninstructional operations

(cf. 0440 - District Technology Plan)
(cf. 4040 - Employee Use of Technology)
(cf. 6163.4 - Student Use of Technology)

12. Providing and maintaining facilities to meet the needs of present and future students

(cf. 7000 - Concepts and Roles)
(cf. 7110 - Facilities Master Plan)

13. Maintaining positive relations with parents/guardians and the community, emphasizing communication and inviting participation in the schools

(cf. 1100 - Communication with the Public)
(cf. 1113 - District and School Web Sites)
(cf. 1220 - Citizen Advisory Committees)
(cf. 1240 - Volunteer Assistance)
(cf. 1700 - Relations Between Private Industry and the Schools)
(cf. 6020 - Parent Involvement)

14. Collaborating with other public agencies and private organizations to ensure that children's physical, social, and emotional needs are met

(cf. 1020 - Youth Services)
(cf. 1400 - Relations between Other Governmental Agencies and the Schools)

Each goal shall include measurable standards, performance indicators, and benchmarks that can be used to determine the district's progress toward meeting that goal.

The Superintendent or designee shall, with the involvement of district and school site staff, develop a strategic plan containing short-term objectives, actions, and timelines designed to enable the district to achieve its long-term goals. The Superintendent or designee shall also ensure that district improvement plans and reform efforts are aligned with the district's goals.

(cf. 0400 - Comprehensive Plans)
(cf. 0420 - School Plans/Site Councils)
(cf. 0520.2 - Title I Program Improvement Schools)
(cf. 0520.3 - Title I Program Improvement Districts)
(cf. 0520.4 - Quality Education Investment Schools)
(cf. 6171 - Title I Programs)

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that these goals are communicated to staff,

parents/guardians, students, and the community and that those groups are given an opportunity to provide feedback to the district about the goals.

Monitoring and Evaluation

The Board shall regularly monitor the progress of the district's efforts in achieving the goals. To that end, the Superintendent or designee shall provide the Board with the necessary data and analysis to help the Board evaluate the effectiveness of the district's efforts. These data shall include an analysis of the progress based on the performance indicators and benchmarks for each goal, as well as other measures of student achievement, such as the Academic Performance Index, Adequate Yearly Progress, student attendance, and graduation rates.

(cf. 0500 - Accountability)

(cf. 6190 - Evaluation of the Instructional Program)

(cf. 9322 - Agenda/Meeting Materials)

If the Board determines that sufficient progress is not being made toward a particular goal, the Board and Superintendent shall determine what types of additional district resources and support should be provided so that progress in increasing student achievement can be made. District goals shall be revised as necessary.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

33127-33129 Standards and criteria for fiscal accountability

33400-33407 CDE evaluation of district programs

44660-44665 Evaluation of certificated employees

51002 Local development of programs based on stated philosophy and goals

51020 Definition of goal

51021 Definition of objective

51041 Evaluation of the educational program

52050-52059 Public Schools Accountability Act

64000-64001 Consolidated application process

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15440-15463 Standards and criteria for fiscal accountability

UNITED STATES CODE, TITLE 20

6311 Accountability, adequate yearly progress

6312 Local educational agency plan

Management Resources:

CSBA PUBLICATIONS

Monitoring for Success: Student Wellness Policy Implementation Monitoring Report and Guide, 2007

Student Wellness: A Healthy Food and Physical Activity Policy Resource Guide, rev. 2006

Maximizing School Board Governance: Vision, 1996

WEB SITES

CSBA: <http://www.csba.org>

CSBA, Agenda Online:

<http://www.csba.org/Services/Services/GovernanceTechnology/AgendaOnline.aspx>

California Department of Education: <http://www.cde.ca.gov>

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