BOARD POLICY 6190: Evaluation of the Instructional Program Comparison Chart

Section: Instruction

SUMMARY OF UPDATE

Summary of Update: Policy updated to delete references to the obsolete API and add the California School Dashboard as a source for multiple state and local indicators of strengths and areas in need of improvement in each priority area addressed by the LCAP. Section on "Federal Program Monitoring" deleted as the focus of the policy is on program effectiveness rather than compliance with program requirements.

PARA	Section	Sub-Section	October 14, 2002 CURRENT VERSION	October 2018 REVISED VERSION	CSBA MODIFICATIONS and/or NOTES
1			The Governing Board recognizes that it is accountable to the students, parents/guardians and community for conducting a continual evaluation of the curriculum and the instructional program.	The Governing Board recognizes that it is accountable to students, parents/guardians, and the community for the effectiveness of the district's educational program in meeting district goals for student learning. The Superintendent or designee shall conduct a continual evaluation of the curriculum and the instructional program in order to identify strategies for improving student achievement.	CSBA NOTE: The following optional policy may be revised to reflect district practice.
2			The Superintendent or designee shall review the effectiveness of district programs in meeting desired outcomes. He/she shall provide the Board and the community with regular reports on student progress toward Board-established standards of expected achievement at each grade level in each area of study. Based on these evaluations, the Board shall take appropriate actions to maintain the effectiveness of programs and, as needed, to improve the quality of education that district students receive.	The Superintendent or designee shall provide the Board and the community with regular reports on student achievement. The reports shall include data for each district school and for each numerically significant student subgroup, as defined in Education Code 52052, including, but not limited to, school and subgroup performance on statewide achievement indicators and progress toward goals specified in the district's local control and accountability plan (LCAP).	CSBA NOTE: The district may revise the following paragraph to specify the data and reports that will be used to evaluate the district's instructional program. Education Code 52060-52061 require that the district's local control and accountability plan (LCAP) establish goals, for all students and for each numerically significant subgroup, that are aligned with the state priorities, and that the district annually review progress toward the goals; see BP/AR 0460 - Local Control and Accountability Plan. Pursuant to Education Code 52052, numerically significant student

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				subgroups include ethnic subgroups, socioeconomically disadvantaged students, English learners, students with disabilities, foster youth, and homeless students, when the subgroup consists of at least 30 students with a valid test score or 15 foster or homeless youth. The California School Dashboard reports the status of district and school performance on multiple state and local indicators and is intended to assist districts in identifying strengths and areas in need of improvement in each priority area addressed by the LCAP.
			In addition, the Superintendent or designee shall conduct an evaluation of any new instructional program implemented in the district and shall regularly assess district progress toward increasing student achievement in all subject areas taught in the district. The findings of such evaluations and assessments shall be reported to the Board.	New paragraph added
			Based on these reports, the Board shall take appropriate actions to maintain the effectiveness of programs and to improve the quality of education provided to district students.	New paragraph added
		Coordinated Compliance Reviews	Delete	
1		The Superintendent or designee shall cooperate with the State Department of Education in the conduct of coordinated compliance reviews every three (3) years to ensure that all district categorical programs comply with federal and state laws and regulations. The Superintendent or designee shall notify the Board of the results of these reviews.	Delete	

	Evaluation of Consolidated Programs	Annual Evaluation of Consolidated Application Programs	
1	The Superintendent or designee shall conduct annual evaluations to determine whether the district's consolidated programs are supportive of the core curriculum and are effective in meeting the needs of the students they are intended to serve. As a basis for this evaluation, the Superintendent or designee shall recommend specific, measurable criteria that shall be used at each school and at the district level. These criteria shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, progress toward goals contained in the school plan and progress of the total student population and each numerically significant subgroup toward growth targets on the statewide Academic Performance Index.	The Board and the Superintendent or designee shall annually determine whether the district's categorical programs funded through the state's consolidated application are effective in meeting the needs of the students they are intended to serve. As a basis for this evaluation, the Superintendent or designee shall recommend for Board approval the specific, measurable criteria that shall be used at each school and at the district level. These criteria may include, but are not necessarily limited to, the progress of all students participating in the program and of each numerically significant subgroup toward goals contained in the district's LCAP, the school's single plan for student achievement, and/or other applicable district or school plans.	CSBA NOTE: The following optional section should be revised to reflect district practice. Pursuant to Education Code 64000-64001, the consolidated application is used by the California Department of Education to distribute funds from certain federal categorical programs. Pursuant to 5 CCR 3942, as a condition of receiving continued funding for these programs, the district must make certain general assurances and certifications, including an assurance that the district's annual evaluation of categorical programs demonstrates that each program is "not one of low effectiveness." The district does not need to sign or return the general assurances, but does need to keep them on file for compliance reviews, complaint investigations, or audits.
			program evaluation are to be established by the Governing Board. The district may consider measures of the academic progress of students participating in the program, including numerically significant student groups, in addition to other measures contained in school plans or adopted by the Board.
2	The Superintendent or designee shall submit the recommended criteria for approval by the Board. Evaluations conducted for each school shall be presented annually to the Board.	Delete	
	Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) Accreditation	No change	

1	The Board believes that accreditation by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) can foster excellence and ongoing academic improvement in the district's schools. The accreditation process also may demonstrate to parents/guardians and the community that the schools are meeting their goals and objectives and the WASC criteria for school effectiveness through a viable instructional program.	The Board believes that accreditation by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) can foster excellence and ongoing academic improvement in the district's schools. The results of the accreditation process also may demonstrate to parents/guardians and the community that the schools are meeting their goals and objectives and the WASC criteria for school effectiveness through a viable instructional program.	CSBA NOTE: The following optional section is for use by districts that participate in the evaluation process leading to accreditation by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). WASC is a private, nonprofit organization whose Accrediting Commission for Schools provides regular assessments of public and private schools in order to support ongoing improvement of the educational program. The term of the accreditation process varies from one to six years, as determined by WASC. Districts may seek accreditation for both elementary and secondary schools and may revise the following section to specify schools that will seek accreditation (e.g., only secondary schools and/or middle schools). Districts also may revise the following section to apply to any other accrediting agency.
2	The Superintendent or designee shall undertake procedures whereby the district's schools may achieve and maintain full WASC accreditation status. The schools shall conduct a self-study in accordance with WASC requirements, cooperate with the WASC committee during a site visit, and develop and review action plans to increase the effectiveness of the instructional program for students. The Superintendent or designee shall regularly report to the Board on the status of district schools and any WASC recommendations for school improvement.	The Superintendent or designee shall undertake procedures whereby district schools may achieve and maintain full WASC accreditation status. The schools shall conduct a self-study in accordance with WASC requirements, cooperate with the WASC committee during a site visit, and develop and review action plans to increase the effectiveness of the instructional program for students. The Superintendent or designee shall regularly report to the Board on the status of district schools and any WASC recommendations for school improvement.	
		Not later than 60 days after receiving the results of an inspection of a school by WASC or any other accrediting agency, the Superintendent or designee shall notify parents/guardians in writing of the inspection	New paragraph added

		results and/or shall post the information on the district's or school's web site.	
3	If any district school loses its accreditation status, the Board shall give official notice at a regularly scheduled Board meeting. The Superintendent or designee shall provide written notification to each parent/guardian of a student in the school that the school has lost its accreditation status, including the potential consequences of the loss of accreditation status.	If any district school loses its accreditation status, the Board shall give official notice at a regularly scheduled Board meeting. The Superintendent or designee shall provide written notification to each parent/guardian of a student in the school that the school has lost its accreditation status, including the potential consequences of the loss of accreditation status. This notice shall also be posted on the district's web site and the school's web site.	