

FRESNO COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS  
FRESNO COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Philosophy, Goals, Objectives and Comprehensive Plans  
SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT CARD**

The County Superintendent and County Board recognize their responsibility to inform parents/guardians and the community about the conditions, needs, and progress at each County Superintendent/County Board 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 staff to review achievements and identify areas for improvement.

The County Superintendent and County Board shall annually issue a school accountability report card ("SARC") for each school site. (Education Code 35256.) The County Board delegates to the County Superintendent the responsibility for developing the format of the SARC and for preparing the annual SARC.

In preparing report cards, the County 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 County Superintendent or designee shall ensure that data is reported in a manner that is consistent with the definitions for school conditions as provided in the template. At least every three years, the County Superintendent and County Board shall compare the content of 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.)

The County Superintendent and County Board shall annually approve the SARCs for all County Superintendent/County Board schools and shall evaluate the data contained in the SARCs as part of the County Superintendent's and County Board's regular review of the effectiveness of school programs.

The County 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.

Notification and Dissemination of SARCs

Annually, on or before February 1 of each year, the County Superintendent or designee shall publicize the issuance of the SARCs, make the SARCs available on the County Superintendent/County Board website, and notify parents/guardians that a hard copy shall be provided upon request. (Education Code 33126, 35256, 35258)

Additionally, when 15 percent or more of a school's students speak a single primary language other than English, the SARC shall be translated into that other language. (Education Code 48985)

In addition, the SARC shall be provided in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provided in a language that parents/guardians can understand. (Education Code 33126, 35256; 20 USC 6311)

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**Legal Reference**

EDUCATION CODE

- 1240 County superintendent, general duties
- 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
- 52056 Meeting growth targets
- 60119 Textbook sufficiency
- 60600-60618 General provisions
- 60640-60648 Standardized testing and reporting program
- 60800 Physical fitness testing

CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION

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

**Management Resources**

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Report Cards, September 12, 2003

WEB SITES

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