

New Jersey Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC)

**Nutley Board of Education
April 27, 2015**



What is QSAC?

- **The Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) is the Department of Education's monitoring and evaluation system for public school districts.**
- **It is a single comprehensive accountability system that consolidates and incorporates the monitoring requirements of applicable state laws and programs and complements federally required improvements.**
- **The system focuses on monitoring and evaluating school districts in five key components that, based on research, have been identified to be key factors in effective school districts.**



What are the Indicators?

DPR AREA	Indicators
Instruction and Program	Student Performance; Use of Performance Data; Curriculum; Instruction (includes classroom visits); Supervisory practices; Attendance;
Fiscal Management	Accounting/Reporting; Standard Operating Procedures; Fiscal Analysis; Audits; Surplus/Deficit Analysis;
Governance	Maintenance of Policies; Alignment of Fiscal and Instructional Goals; Compliance; Fiscal Reporting
Operations	Student/Staff/Parent Communications; Submission of State Information; Reporting (i.e. EVVRS/HIB); Student Supports; Recordkeeping; Safety and Security
Personnel	Evaluation process; Staffing process; Hiring process; Board Approval process



Recent Evaluation

DPR AREA	Placement on the Continuum
Instruction and Program	64%
Fiscal Management	71%
Governance	88%
Operations	93%
Personnel	100%

April 27, 2009



Current Evaluation

DPR AREA	Placement on the Continuum
Instruction and Program	83%
Fiscal Management	92%
Governance	98%
Operations	90%
Personnel	100%

March 23, 2015



Findings

2015

DPR AREA	Indicators
Instruction and Program	Student Performance, Language Arts and Math [<95%]
Fiscal Management	Monthly Reporting [Change in staffing]; Surplus/Deficit Reporting [Change in staffing]
Governance	Fiscal Reporting [Change in Staffing]
Operations	Student/Staff/Parent Communications [Elementary Code of Conduct]; Submission of State Information; Reporting (i.e. EVVRS/HIB) [Nursing Plan];
Personnel	Full Compliance



1-Cycle Growth

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State Determination

I am pleased to inform you that your district has satisfied at least 80% of the weighted indicators in each of the five areas of the QSAC review process and has been designated as "high performing." Commissioner Hespe will recommend to the State Board of Education that your district be certified as providing a thorough and efficient system of education, for a period of three years or until the next QSAC review. Congratulations on this accomplishment.



Future Work

- **Instruction and Program**
- **Fiscal Management**
- **Operations**
- **Personnel**
- **Governance**



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