

Purpose

To express the Board's commitment to continued progress and improvement through a meaningful evaluation and assessment program.

Definitions

N/A

Policy Statement

As required by law, the Board shall adopt and maintain an accountability program to measure the adequacy and efficiency of the educational program available to students in the Allegany County Public Schools. The Board shall appoint a district Master Plan Committee that will make recommendations to the Board relative to the program of accountability and relative to priorities for expenditures of district funds.

The Board is committed to maintaining a strong accountability program in each school directed by the principal and school improvement team. The district's accountability program shall:

1. establish school district and school goals/objectives and plans to improve educational achievement.
2. implement a school district and school improvement planning process involving students, parents/families, staff and community members through a representative committee
3. release an annual progress report to the community of student performance and the results of the school improvement process

Every effort shall be made by the Board, the superintendent, the staff to fulfill the responsibilities inherent in the concept of accountability as well as the intent of the *No Child Left Behind Act* and the *Bridge To Excellence in Education Legislation*.

Legal Reference	Policy History	Adopted	Reviewed	Revised
No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 Annotated Code of Maryland (PL 107-110) Education Article §5-401				May 10, 2005, 1 st Reading June 14, 2005, 2 nd Reading