

PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION

Definition of/Criteria for High Performing School

DISCUSSION DRAFT/May 2016

Academic

*** Schools serving traditional students:**

1. School must have successfully completed at least one renewal cycle and been renewed for a period of no less than five (5) years,
2. School Report Card as issued by PED:
 - A. Final Grade of no less than a combination of two (2) As and one (1) B for the three most recent Report Cards, and
 - B. Highest Performing Students grade of no less than B for the three most recent years, and
 - C. Lowest Performing Students grade of no less than B for the three most recent years, and
 - D. Reading Proficiency of no less than 80% for the three most recent Report Cards, and
 - E. Math Proficiency of no less than 70% for the three most recent Report Cards, and
 - F. High Schools: In addition to the above requirements, a charter high school must have:
 1. Graduation grade of no less than 5 percent above statewide average for the three most recent Report Cards, and
 2. Career and College grade of no less than B for the three most recent Report Cards.

*** SAMS Schools or schools serving predominately at-risk students:**

1. School must have successfully completed at least one renewal cycle and been renewed for a period of no less than five (5) years,
2. School Report Card as issued by PED:
 - A. Final Grade of no less than ___ for the three most recent Report Cards, and
 - B. Highest Performing Students grade of no less than ___ for the three most recent years, and
 - C. Lowest Performing Students grade of no less than ___ for the three most recent years, and
 - D. Reading Proficiency of no less than ___% for the three most recent Report Cards, and
 - E. Math Proficiency of no less than ___% for the three most recent Report Cards, and
 - F. High Schools: In addition to the above requirements, must have:
 1. Graduation grade of no less than ___ for the three most recent Report Cards, and
 2. Career and College grade of no less than ___ for the three most recent Report Cards.

II. Financial

*** Schools serving all students:**

1. The school shall have received an unqualified audit opinion for each of the three most recent financial audits, and
2. The school shall have received no serious audit findings for each of the three most recent financial audits, and

3. The school shall have received no repeat audit findings for each of the three most recent financial audits.

III. Organizational

* Schools serving all students:

1. The school shall have received no score of less than “Meets Standards” in all Organizational Performance Frameworks categories for the most recent three years.

IV. Virtual Schools

* Schools serving all students:

1. Virtual schools are excluded from High Performing Schools designation.

Indicates edits/additions made by PEC Commissioners during the November 2015 meeting.