

POLICY 500-8

ACCREDITATION OF SCHOOLS

All department secondary schools and community schools for adults shall achieve and maintain accreditation. The accrediting agency shall be designated by the Superintendent.

Rationale: The accreditation process is a vehicle for school improvement involving a perpetual cycle of assessment, planning, implementing, monitoring, and reassessment. The primary purpose of accreditation is to ensure students that graduate from accredited high schools have greater access to scholarships, federal grants, student loans, admissions for colleges and universities, military programs, and career opportunities.

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