



## Arizona State Board of Education

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**December 21, 2018**

Below are highlights of the December 17, 2018, State Board of Education meeting. The entire meeting can be viewed on the Board's [YouTube](#) page.

### **Proposed A-F Changes**

Proposed changes to the A-F Accountability System are available for review.

The Accountability Technical Advisory Committees (ATACs) presented the Board with proposed changes to the 2018-2019 A-F Accountability System. For elementary schools, ATAC recommended business rule changes but in response to feedback from the field, recommended keeping the K-8 model intact. For high school, ATAC recommended more robust changes to accommodate the shift to the Menu of Assessments. To view the three possible models for high school, click [here](#). The Board also directed ATAC to develop a model that includes a growth measure and report back to the Board at the January meeting.

To gather public comment on the proposed changes the Board created surveys for the [elementary schools](#), [high schools](#) and [alternative school models](#). Comments can also be submitted to [inbox@azsbe.az.gov](mailto:inbox@azsbe.az.gov). The Board may take action on the models as soon as the January 29, 2019 Board Meeting.

### **Early Literacy Report**

Recognizing that early literacy is an important step for Arizona students the Board released a report with recommendations to improve literacy for our youngest students. The recommendations address the assessment system, literacy plans, the Move on When Reading cut score, and funding. To view the entire report, click [here](#).

### **Rulemaking**

In order to ensure alignment to statute and the application for educator certification, the Board opened rulemaking on rules governing educator discipline. Specifically, the proposed rules add a list of offenses found in statute that preclude individuals from receiving a fingerprint clearance card. With the proposed rule change, individuals convicted of those offenses will have their certification automatically denied or revoked. The application for certification will also be streamlined to ask more succinct questions regarding criminal history. The proposed rules can be viewed [here](#). A public hearing will be held on January 14, 2019 at noon at the Board's Offices and comments may be submitted to [inbox@azsbe.az.gov](mailto:inbox@azsbe.az.gov).

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### **Discipline**

Do not forget that the Board has established a tool that allows users to search discipline action taken against a certified educator in the last five years. The tool provides publicly available information and supporting documents on the action taken against the certified individual, including suspensions, revocations and denials. To use the tool please go to <https://azsbe.az.gov/teacher-certification-ppac> and click on the link on right labeled "Discipline Search".

The Board also reviewed data on educator discipline since 2012. The data includes the number of cases, the type of certificate held, the source of the report, and more. Click [here](#) to view the report.

### **Future Meetings**

2019 Board schedule is posted online. Next Meeting is January 28, 2019. Meeting materials may be found [here](#). You can also follow us on Twitter @AzBoardEd and on Facebook @azstateboard.

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