

Big Sandy Year End Accountability Report 2018-19

Committee Membership

(30 Members) The following positions are represented: students, teachers, community members, business owners, parent taxpayers, non-parent taxpayers, and a school board member. Meetings are held monthly during the school year with the exception being the months of December and May. The meetings are held during the school day to make sure our students are given the opportunity to participate.

Meeting Format

The following reports are given: Board of Education, school reports, Kid's Korner, Key Communicators, Title I, Preschool, Performance Evaluation, Vocational, Facilities, and Accreditation. This committee serves as the Vocational Advisory, Preschool, Title I, Safety, Nutritional/Wellness Advisory Council, Drug Advisory, Performance Evaluation, and Facilities Committees. One of the major charges each year is to provide information to the patrons of the district through our community members.

Charges for 2018-19

1. Monitor academic progress, attendance, and graduation rate
2. Participate in the accreditation process as needed
3. Serve as the Vocational Advisory, Title I, Preschool, Performance Evaluation, Drug Advisory, Safety, Nutritional/Wellness, and Facilities Committee
4. Review/monitor our Safe Schools Plan in an effort to remain current and effective

Charges and Results of 2018-19

1. Monitor academic progress, attendance, and graduation rate.

Results: Academic progress is measured in our district through the means of CMAS, MAPS, SAT, PSAT, DIBELS, GOLD, and various other classroom assessments. Overall progress is measured by the District Performance Frameworks.

Current 2018 CMAS data states:

Elementary- 7 out of 8 areas were above the state average (88%), except for third grade math

Jr. High-6 out of 8 areas were above state average (75%), except for 7th and 8th grade math

High School-The high school only takes 11th grade science, and it was below state average. High School students take PSAT and SAT.

The score range for SAT is 400 to 1600, and Big Sandy's average score was **1010**. The state SAT average was **1000**. The ninth and tenth graders take the PSAT for their state assessment. The score range for the PSAT is 240-1440. Our ninth graders scored **886**, and the state average was **905**. The tenth graders scored **903** with the state average being **937**.

The Big Sandy School District received the Colorado Department of Education's highest rating being classified as "Accredited with Distinction" for the second year in a row. Big Sandy School District scored 76.2 points, needing at least 74.0 points to achieve the highest category.

The other categories included “Turnaround,” “Priority Improvement,” “Accredited with Improvement Plan,” and “Accredited.”

Each of Simla’s three schools, the elementary school, junior high school, and high school received CDE’s highest ranking of “Performance,” with each scoring well above the minimum number for the highest category. Colorado Department of Education recognized Big Sandy School’s accomplishments, along with other high achieving schools, at an awards ceremony on March 6th, 2019.

School	“Performance” (highest category) Requirement	2017 Scores	Award Received	2018 Scores	Award Received	2019 Scores	Award Received
Elementary	53	77.5	John Irwin Award	86	Governor’s Distinguished Improvement Award	81.2	
Jr. High	53	68.5		82.5	Governor’s Distinguished Improvement Award	84.2	
High School	53	75.2	Governor’s Distinguished Improvement Award	65		67.6	
Big Sandy District		75.5	Acc w/Distinction	75.7	Acc w/Distinction	76.7	Acc w/Distinction

Our district attendance rate was 95.11% for the year. Elementary was 95.78 %, junior high was 95.04%, and high school was 94.52 % for the year.

The graduation rate for the class of 2018 was 97%.

2. Participate in the accreditation process as needed.

Results: Updates were provided to the Committee by the administration. Due to high performance, our district will not complete a Unified Improvement Plan this year.

3. Serve as the Vocational Advisory, Title I, Preschool, Performance Evaluation, Drug Advisory, Safety, Nutritional/Wellness, and Facilities Committee.

Results: The Accountability Committee reviewed all of these areas at least once during the year and some were addressed on a monthly basis. Policies, reports, and Evaluation tools were

reviewed and approved by the committee as needed. Furthermore, the committee reviewed various programs offered by our district and results.

Facilities-A new 60 x 100 storage building has been completed onsite; however, exterior concrete still needs to be completed. At the baseball field, both dugout roofs and storage building have been replaced. The roof was also replaced at the bus yard. A preschool building was purchased to store preschool equipment. A crack seal bid has been accepted and will be completed as soon as the weather is conducive. Several mechanical pieces of equipment and HVAC units have been updated or repaired. Concrete work was completed to make sidewalks safer. All indoor lighting was upgraded to LED lighting.

Nutritional-CDE's three year audit has been finalized with great results. The new kitchen staff purchased a new software program that helps them with their job.

Drug Advisory-Random drug testing has taken place several times throughout the year. Students who participate in extra-curricular activities are included in this testing. The testing includes: alcohol and drugs.

Safety- An \$84,000 safety grant was received by the Dept. of Homeland Security and will be used to purchase and install interior/exterior cameras, access points, and a Raptor system. A security/safety assessment was performed on our campus by the Limon Police Dept.

4. Review our Safe School Plan.

Results: The district's EOP continues to be in place. Furthermore, the district continues to use the Emergency Notebook which includes procedures and rosters in each classroom and office. Safety drills are practiced several times throughout the year. Safety backpacks have been purchased and are located in each room of the school. Our administration continues to work with our local police and fire departments to ensure that the safest, possible learning environment is provided for all students.

- Reviewed the 2019-20 calendar
- Provided information to our community

President _____

Superintendent _____

Recommended Charges for 2019-2020

1. Monitor academic progress, attendance, and graduation rate
2. Participate in the accreditation process as needed
3. Serve as the Vocational Advisory, Title I, Preschool, Performance Evaluation, Drug Advisory, Safety, Nutritional/Wellness, and Facilities Committee
4. Review and update our Safe Schools Plan