

RELATIONS WITH EDUCATIONAL ACCREDITATION AGENCIES

All Essex Public Schools shall be accredited according to standards developed by the Board of Education. The school board will review the accreditation status of each school in the division annually in a public session of a board meeting.

The school board will recognize individual schools under the Virginia Index of Performance (VIP) program established by the Board of Education to recognize and reward fully accredited schools that make significant progress toward achieving advanced proficiency levels in reading, mathematics, science, and history and social science, and other indicators of school and student performance that are aligned with Virginia's goals for public education. The recognition may include public announcements, media releases, and other appropriate recognition.

The school board may ask the Board of Education for release from state regulations and for approval of an Individual School Accreditation Plan for the evaluation of the performance of one or more of its schools as authorized for certain other schools by the Standards of Accreditation pursuant to 8 VAC 20-131-280 C.

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Legal Refs.: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, §§ 22.1-19, 22.1-253.13:3, 22.1-253.13:9.
8 VAC 20-131-5 et seq

