

ESTABLISHMENT AND ORGANIZATION OF THE NEW STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

- The current Board of DCPS becomes the State Board of Education
- The Board remains as five elected members, four mayorally appointed members only until 2009
- In 2009 the Board will be all-elected, with a member from each ward and one at-large
- Board organizational structure, staff, budget, operations, etc. are set by the Mayor
- Staff support is provided by the State Education Office, which reports to the Mayor

FUNCTIONS OF THE NEW DC STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

These apply to all DCPS and public charter schools

- Advise Chief State School Officer (SEO) on state matters, including standards, policies, objectives, and regulations for all schools in the District
- Approve state academic standards with coherent and rigorous content and advanced skills
- Approve high school graduation requirements
- Approve standards for high school equivalence credentials (GED)
- Approve a state definition of adequate yearly progress (AYP) under the federal No Child Left Behind legislation (NCLB)
- Approve standards for highly qualified teachers (NCLB) and teacher certification
- Approve standards for teacher preparation programs in the District
- Approve a state definition of proficiency (NCLB)
- Approve state standards and the state accountability plan developed pursuant to the (NCLB) requirements
- Approve state policies for parental involvement
- Approve state policies for supplemental education service providers (NCLB)
- Approve rules for residency verification
- Approve the list of charter school accreditation organizations
- Approve categories and format of annual system and school report cards (NCLB)
- Approve list of private placement accreditation organizations
- Approve state standards for home schooling
- Approve state rules for school attendance
- Consider matters for policy approval on request for policy action by the SEO
- Conduct monthly meetings to receive citizen input