

CHAPTER 71

AN ACT concerning the New Jersey School Report Card and amending P.L.1995, c.235.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

1. Section 3 of P.L.1995, c.235 (C.18A:7E-3) is amended to read as follows:

C.18A:7E-3 Report card information.

3. Report cards issued pursuant to section 2 of this act shall include, but not be limited to, the following information for:

- a. the school district and for each school within the district, as appropriate:
 - (1) results of the elementary assessment programs;
 - (2) results of the Early Warning Test;
 - (3) results of the High School Proficiency Test;
 - (4) daily attendance records for students and professional staff;
 - (5) student graduation and dropout rates;
 - (6) annual student scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test;
 - (7) total student enrollment, percentage of limited English proficient students, percentage of students in advanced placement courses, and any other school characteristics which the commissioner deems appropriate;
 - (8) instructional resources including teacher/student ratio, average class size and amount of instructional time per day, as calculated by formulas specified by the commissioner;
 - (9) a written narrative by the school principal or a designee which describes any special achievements, events, problems or initiatives of the school or district;
 - (10) data identifying the number and nature of all reports of harassment, intimidation, or bullying; and
 - (11) indicators of student career readiness; and
- b. the school district, as appropriate:
 - (1) per pupil expenditures and State aid ratio;
 - (2) percent of budget allocated for salaries and benefits of administrative personnel;
 - (3) percent of budget allocated for salaries and benefits of teachers;
 - (4) percentage increase over the previous year for salaries and benefits of administrative and instructional personnel;
 - (5) the number of administrative personnel and the ratio of administrative personnel to instructional personnel;
 - (6) a profile of the most recent graduating class concerning their educational or employment plans following graduation; and
 - (7) any other information which the commissioner deems appropriate.

For the purposes of this section, the Commissioner of Education shall establish a uniform methodology for the reporting of the data concerning administrative personnel on a full-time equivalent basis.

2. This act shall take effect immediately and shall first be applicable to the School Report Card issued by the Commissioner of Education for the 2015-2016 school year.

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