

## NJ QSAC

The Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) is the Department of Education's monitoring and district self-evaluation system for public school districts. The system shifts the monitoring and evaluation focus from compliance to assistance, capacity-building and improvement. It is a single comprehensive accountability system that consolidates and incorporates the monitoring requirements of applicable state laws and programs and complements federally required improvements. The system focuses on monitoring and evaluating school districts in five key components that, based on research, have been identified to be key factors in effective school districts. These components are:

- Instruction & Program
- Fiscal
- Governance
- Operations
- Personnel

For more information as to this process, please go to the following link: [qsac@doe.state.nj.us](mailto:qsac@doe.state.nj.us).

During our BOE Meeting on November 29, 2017, our BOE supported and acknowledged our equivalency application process. Prior to the aforementioned meeting, since the summer and especially during our September and October meetings, these forums provided opportunities for discussion as to the QSAC process (our district will be QSAC monitored and evaluated for the current school year of 2017-2018).

Based upon the completion and submitting of documentation to the Department of Education (DOE) in preparation to QSAC visitation, our district is now recognized by the state as compliant to all key components. As a result, we have been awarded an equivalency application by the DOE. Once submitted to the DOE, we are hopeful for official approval as to a 3-year waiver by the state (which would include the 17-18 school year).

All of our timeless work, energy, dedication, and diligence by our BOE, Administration Team, and School Staff have put our district in this wonderful position. This is great news for our community as the North Haledon School District continues to meet the needs of all students and staff, as well as being compliant and maintaining effectiveness in the eyes of the DOE.

I will be providing an update as to the official approval by the state via BOE Public Session, Newsletter, Web Page, Community Email Blast, PTO Meetings, and Admin/Faculty Meetings.

Once again, thank you all.

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North Haledon School District