



LEGISLATIVE GUIDANCE: SUBMITTING EVALUATION PLANS

IC 20-28-11.5-8(d) Requires each school corporation to submit its evaluation plan to the IDOE for publication on the IDOE’s website.

(d) Each school corporation shall submit its staff performance evaluation plan to the department. The department shall publish the staff performance evaluation plans on the department's Internet web site. A school corporation must submit its staff performance evaluation plan to the department for approval in order to qualify for any grant funding related to this chapter.

The law requires all school corporations to submit their most current evaluation plans to the Indiana Department of Education (“IDOE”) for publication. This requirement applies to all school corporations, including those with evaluation systems in place that comply with contractual language established prior to the passage of SEA 1.

WHAT MUST BE SUBMITTED?

Indiana Code 20-28-11.5-8(d) requires each school corporation to submit an evaluation plan to the IDOE.

Indiana Code 20-28-11.5-4(a) requires the plan to cover “each certificated employee.” For more information on what is in a plan, please see EVALUATION PLAN guidance. Please note that IDOE is NOT approving evaluation plans, but expects corporations to develop evaluation systems compliant with the law.

*If a school corporation is still operating under an old evaluation system because of its current contract status, the corporation meets its submission obligation by submitting its current evaluation plan.

HOW WILL CORPORATIONS SUBMIT PLANS?

The law requires school corporations to submit their evaluation plans for publication, but it does not specify a deadline or a timeline for submission. Corporations may submit their plans via accreditation’s Legal Standards Online Assurances application that will be available through DOE Online (IC 20-31-4-6(4)). There is NEVER a requirement to vote in order to submit evaluation materials through the accreditation process. Once submitted, IDOE will publish all evaluation plans on the IDOE website.