

## QSAC Monitoring Equivalency Waiver

South Brunswick School District is proud to announce that it is designated a *high-performing* school district by the New Jersey Department of Education. This designation qualifies the District for a Quality Single Accountability Continuum (QSAC) monitoring waiver. Inasmuch, the District recently completed its internal evaluation and, with Board of Education approval on November 7, 2016, submitted the Statement of Assurance (SOA) for state acceptance.

By way of background, once every three years, public school districts are required to be monitored in accordance with N.J.A.C. 6A:30-3.1 (a)-(d) and 3.2 by the New Jersey Department of Education. Districts undergo a comprehensive monitoring that entails district performance reviews (DPRs) related to program and instruction, fiscal management, governance, personnel, and operations.

The monitoring process includes a self-evaluation of the school district by a district committee comprised of teachers, parents, Board of Education members and administration. School districts must achieve a minimum of 80% in each DPR to pass QSAC monitoring and be designated as a *high-performing* school district.

Our school district was monitored during the 2012-2013 school year. The District achieved 100% in each DPR and earned the designation of *high-performing* school district. We were next scheduled to be monitored during the 2015 – 2016 school year.

However, the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) established an equivalent process that allows *high-performing* school districts to demonstrate continued compliance with QSAC regulations without undergoing the standard monitoring.

This equivalent process involved review by the NJDOE of the South Brunswick School District's 2015-2016 QSAC Statement of Assurance and analysis of other critical QSAC indicators in each of the five mandated District Performance Review (DPR) areas.

South Brunswick successfully met the requirements and was notified by the NJDOE of the School District's eligibility to apply for the QSAC Equivalency Waiver.

At the regularly scheduled meeting of December 14, 2015, the South

Brunswick Board of Education approved the application for the QSAC Equivalency Waiver. The application was submitted to the Executive County Superintendent to extend the District's QSAC certification as a *high-performing* district for an additional three years through the 2017-2018 school year. The next comprehensive monitoring is in the 2018 – 2019 school year.

An explanation of QSAC metrics used to determine the district's eligibility for equivalency is available at [South Brunswick QSAC Metrics](#).

Individuals having questions on the District's QSAC process or the equivalency application, please contact the [Superintendent of Schools](#) .