

Quality Review – Selection Criteria 2012-2013

Formal Quality Reviews

Quality Reviews

Schools that meet at least one of the following criteria will have a formal Quality Review during the 2012-13 school year:

- 2011-12 Quality Review of Underdeveloped
- 2011-12 Progress Report of F, D, or ***third C or below in a row (09-10, 10-11, and 11-12)
- Schools who participated in a Developing Quality Review (DQR) in 2011-12
- Schools in the 10th percentile or below of the Progress Report scores
- Schools in their 3rd year of existence (that did not have a formal Quality Review in 2011-12)
- All schools that have not had a review since 2008-09 (that do not qualify for a peer review)
- Schools that were proposed for closure as part of the Turnaround process and who did not receive a QR in 11-12
- A portion of schools chosen from a lottery, within districts, that have not had a review since 2009-10 (and that do not qualify for a peer review); those schools in the lottery that do not receive a review this year will receive one in 2013-14.

Other Notes:

- Schools that meet one or more of the criteria on the above list and have an Interim Acting (IA) Principal will be reviewed only after the Principal has been appointed or has been IA for six (6) months of the school year. There is no formal grace period after being appointed as Principal.
- Schools that have (or will have) two Progress Reports, and qualify for a QR as a result of one of the Progress Reports, will have a Quality Review for the whole school.
- Schools that are adding grades (e.g., a growing 6-12 secondary school without grades 11 and 12) will only have a Quality Review if they meet one or more of the criteria on the above list.
- *** A third C in a row includes schools that have scored below a C for the 09-10 and 10-11 Progress Report and scored a C on the 11-12 Progress Report. For example, a school who's three most recent Progress Report Scores are F, D, C would qualify for a review.

Alternative Quality Reviews

Developing Quality Reviews (DQR)

Schools that received a Quality Review score of **Developing** in 2011-2012 during their formal Quality Review *and do not meet any of the other above criteria for a formal Quality Review* (e.g. F, D, or third C in a row on the Progress Report), will experience a 1-day review from their network team called a Developing Quality Review (DQR) in 2012-13, and have a formal Quality Review

again in 2013-14. More information about this process, and related training for principals and network teams, will be posted online in the Fall.

Peer Quality Reviews (PQR)

Schools that fit the following criteria will have the option of undergoing a Peer Quality Review (PQR) in lieu of a formal Quality Review:

- Schools that opened in 2011-12 and are in their second year of existence OR
- Schools that have not had a review since 2009-10 and have shown sustained gains, maintaining three consecutive years of “A” Progress Report Grades in 09-10, 10-11 and 11-12.
- Note that schools who are slated for a Peer Quality Review can opt out of the process and receive a formal Quality Review in 2012-13. More information about the opt-out process will be available in the Fall.

PQRs will be scheduled by clusters and network teams and conducted with principals, whenever possible, from within the same network. The final report to the schools will not be used for school or principal accountability measures and will not be made public, posted on the DOE website, etc. However, it is necessary to have this information available to cluster leaders and on file centrally with the Division of Academics, Performance, and Support for use by future reviewers.

New Schools (NSQR)

Schools opening in the fall of 2012 will have a New School Quality Review (NSQR). As in the past two years, these 1-day reviews will be conducted by the network team in collaboration with the Office of New Schools. The final report to the school will not be used for school or principal accountability measures and will not be made public, posted on the DOE website, etc. However, it is necessary to have this information available to cluster leaders and on file centrally with the Office of New Schools and the Division of Academics, Performance, and Support for use by future reviewers.

If you have any questions, please contact qualityreview@schools.nyc.gov.