

**WAC 180-17-020 Process for submittal and approval of required action plan.** (1) Except as otherwise provided in WAC 180-17-030 and subsection (5) of this section, school districts designated as required action districts by the state board of education shall develop a required action plan according to the following schedule:

(a) By April 15th of the year in which the district is designated, a school district shall submit a required action plan to the superintendent of public instruction to review and approve that the plan is consistent with federal guidelines for the receipt of a School Improvement Grant. The required action plan must comply with all of the requirements set forth in RCW 28A.657.050.

(b) By May 1st of the year in which the district is designated, a school district shall submit a required action plan approved by the superintendent of public instruction to the state board of education for approval.

(2) The state board of education shall, by May 15th of each year, either:

(a) Approve the school district's required action plan; or

(b) Notify the school district that the required action plan has not been approved stating the reasons for the disapproval.

(3) A school district notified by the state board of education that its required action plan has not been approved under subsection (2)(a) of this section shall either:

(a) Submit a new required action plan to the superintendent of public instruction and state board of education for review and approval within forty days of notification that its plan was rejected. The state board of education shall approve the school district's required action plan by no later than July 15th if it meets all of the requirements set forth in RCW 28A.657.050; or

(b) Submit a request to the required action plan review panel established under RCW 28A.657.070 for reconsideration of the state board's rejection within ten days of the notification that the plan was rejected. The review panel shall consider and issue a decision regarding a district's request for reconsideration to the state board of education by no later than June 10th. The state board of education shall consider the recommendations of the panel and issue a decision in writing to the school district and the panel by no later than June 20th. If the state board of education accepts the changes to the required action plan recommended by the panel, the school district shall submit a revised required action plan to the superintendent of public instruction and state board of education by July 30th. The state board of education shall approve the plan by no later than August 10th if it incorporates the recommended changes of the panel.

(4) If the review panel issues a decision that reaffirms the decision of the state board of education rejecting the school district's required action plan, then the school district shall submit a revised plan to the superintendent of public instruction and state board of education within twenty days of the panel's decision. The state board of education shall approve the district's required action plan by no later than July 15th if it meets all of the requirements set forth in RCW 28A.657.050.

(5) For required action districts designated in 2015 only, the schedule for plan submittal and approval of required action plans will be as follows:

(a) A school district shall submit a required action plan for approval by the office of the superintendent of public instruction by June 13, 2015.

(b) A school district shall submit a required action plan approved by the office of the superintendent of public instruction to the state board of education for approval by June 20, 2015.

(c) The state board of education shall, by July 2015, either approve the school district's required action plan or notify the district that the required action plan has not been approved state the reasons for the disapproval. The district shall either:

(i) Submit a new plan to the office of the superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education by August 10, 2015.

(ii) Request a review of the plan by the required action plan review panel by July 22, 2015. The review panel shall consider and issue a decision regarding the district's request for reconsideration to the state board of education no later than August 8, 2015. If the state board of education accepts the changes to the required action plan recommended by the panel, the school district shall submit a revised required action plan to the superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education by August 15, 2015. The state board of education shall approve the plan no later than August 25, 2015, if it incorporates the recommended changes of the panel. If the review panel issues a decision that reaffirms the decision of the state board of education rejecting the school district's required action plan, then the school district shall submit a revised plan to the superintendent of public instruction and the state board of education by August 15, 2015. The state board of education shall approve the district's required action plan no later than August 25, 2015, if it meets all of the requirements set forth in RCW 28A.657.050.