EVALUATIONS/SUPERVISION

The Santa Cruz County Superintendent of Schools (County Superintendent) believes that regular, comprehensive evaluations designed to hold administrative and supervisory staff accountable for their performance are key to improving their instructional leadership and management skills. Evaluations shall be linked to the Santa Cruz County Office of Education’s (Santa Cruz COE) vision and goals and school improvement plans.

Evaluations shall be used to recognize the exemplary skills and accomplishments of administrative and supervisory employees, serve as a criterion for contract renewals, and identify areas needing improvement. When the evaluation indicates areas needing improvement, the County Superintendent expects employees to take the initiative to improve their performance and for their supervisors to assist them in obtaining needed job skills.

Administrative and supervisory employees shall be evaluated in accordance with provisions of employee contracts and/or applicable collective bargaining agreements as appropriate.

The County Superintendent or designee shall make written evaluation procedures available to all administrative and supervisory employees.

An employee shall be evaluated annually for the first and second years of employment as an administrator or supervisor in the Santa Cruz COE, and at least every two years thereafter, unless otherwise provided for in an employee contract or collective bargaining agreement. Evaluations may occur between scheduled periods at the request of the employee, his/her supervisor, or the County Superintendent or designee.

The County Superintendent or designee shall establish clear, objective criteria for evaluation based on the job responsibilities of each administrative or supervisory position.

The evaluation shall be dated and signed by the employee and evaluator. The employee may respond in writing to the evaluation within a reasonable time after receiving a copy of the evaluation. The response shall be attached to the evaluation and placed in the employee's personnel file.

LEGAL REFERENCE:

EDUCATION CODE
35171 Availability of rules and regulations for evaluation of performance
44660-44665 Evaluation and assessment of performance of certificated employees
44670-44671 Principal evaluation

45113 Rules and regulations for the classified service in districts not incorporating the merit system

GOVERNMENT CODE
3540.1 Meeting and negotiating in public educational employment, definitions
3543.2 Scope of representation
3545  Determination of bargaining units

MANAGEMENT RESOURCES:

COMMISSION ON TEACHER CREDENTIALING PUBLICATIONS
California Professional Standards for Educational Leaders

WEBSITES:

CSBA: http://www.csba.org
Association of California School Administrators: http://www.acsa.org
California Department of Education: http://www.cde.ca.gov
Commission on Teacher Credentialing: http://www.ctc.ca.gov