

WAC 180-55-015 Definitions. (1) An "accredited school" is a state board of education approved private school that meets statutory requirements and rules established by the state board of education, and one that has satisfactorily completed the accreditation procedures described by the state board of education pursuant to RCW 28A.305.130(5) and WAC 180-55-005 through 180-55-020.

(2) "Approved private school" shall mean a school approved by the state board of education pursuant to chapter 28A.195 RCW and chapter 180-90 WAC.

(3) "Accredited" status shall be assigned to state board of education approved private schools that:

(a) Complete and meet fully state board of education requirements for accreditation as described in WAC 180-55-020; or

(b) Participate and qualify in accordance with standards and procedures established by accrediting bodies or processes recognized by the state board of education.

(4) "School improvement plan" shall mean the same as described under WAC 180-16-220 (2)(b) and (d).

(5) "Continuous improvement process" shall mean the ongoing process used by a school to monitor, adjust, and update its school improvement plan.

(6) "Self-review" shall mean the same as described under WAC 180-16-220 (2)(c).

(7) "Appraisal" shall mean an objective, external appraisal of a school's self-review activities and school improvement plan pursuant to WAC 180-55-020(5).

(8) "Recognized accrediting body" shall mean an organization recognized by the state board of education and listed on the state board website.

(9) "Recognized accrediting process" shall mean the state board of education process managed through the educational service districts for approved private schools.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.305.130(6), 28A.150.220(4), and 28A.305.140. WSR 06-23-012, § 180-55-015, filed 11/2/06, effective 12/3/06; WSR 05-08-015, § 180-55-015, filed 3/28/05, effective 4/28/05; WSR 04-04-093, § 180-55-015, filed 2/3/04, effective 3/5/04; WSR 02-18-056, § 180-55-015, filed 8/28/02, effective 9/28/02. Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.305.130(6). WSR 91-04-015, § 180-55-015, filed 1/28/91, effective 2/28/91. Statutory Authority: 1990 c 33. WSR 90-17-009, § 180-55-015, filed 8/6/90, effective 9/6/90. Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.04.120(4). WSR 84-11-050 (Order 8-84), § 180-55-015, filed 5/17/84; WSR 81-08-027 (Order 2-85), § 180-55-015, filed 3/26/81.]