

Continuous school improvement efforts are being implemented statewide, and Olander is no exception. The Colorado Department of Education has provided a system for pursuing school-improvement efforts that is required of each school in the state. These improvement efforts include parent community input through a group formally known as a School Accountability Committee or SAC.

The Olander School Accountability Committee (SAC) was formed in the Fall of 2010 to carry out the mandates of Colorado's Education Accountability Act (Senate Bill 09-163). The SAC is responsible for making recommendations to Mr. Olver concerning funding priorities, participating in the preparation of the school's Performance plan, and meeting at least quarterly to discuss progress pertinent to the school's accreditation contract with the Board of Education. Each school in the state receives one of four possible plan types: Performance, Improvement, Priority Improvement, or Turnaround. Olander has earned a Performance Plan rating by the state for both years that the State system has been in effect. School Plan types are determined by points accumulated on the Department of Education's School Performance Framework and reflects student achievement and student growth outcomes. Olander's percentage of points earned on the School Performance Framework has increased from 2010 to 2011.

Olander's current Performance Plan can be accessed at SchoolView (<http://www.schoolview.org/>) or more directly by clicking <https://cedar2.cde.state.co.us/documents/UIP2010/1550-6482.pdf> .

Olander's 2010-11 Performance Plan included two major improvement strategies:

- 1) Curriculum alignment in writing, and
- 2) Extended learning opportunities for students below grade level in reading/writing.

The 2011-2012 Performance Plan will continue to focus on systemic supports in literacy as well as provide increased emphasis on mathematics and behavioral supports.

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