



Superintendent's Corner – Dec. 12, 2007

As you may have read in local papers, the Colorado Department of Education released its School Accountability Reports (SARs) last week. BVSD is again among the top performing districts in the state of Colorado, with 45 schools rates “High” or “Excellent.”

We are proud of how well most of our schools do on these state ratings, but we also know a school's full value cannot be measured by any standardized test, so we produce our own reports to give a fuller view of each schools unique climate, programs and opportunities. They also provide results from parent and student surveys about their experiences in that school. Schools will soon mail copies of their SARs along with their school's customized report to each student's household.

SARs are available on the **CDE web site** (link to <http://reportcard.cde.state.co.us/reportcard/CommandHandler.jsp>). If you would like a copy of BVSD's customized report on a particular school, please email communications@bvsd.org with your request.

P.S. For parents who are currently reviewing schools to decide where to send your children, my advice is to visit the schools in person. Reports can go only so far ...