

Summary of Written Comments from 2006 School Evaluation Survey

Illinois State Board of Education

Staff

- Understaffed (x4)
- Not enough staff, but those remaining are helpful (x3)
- Takes too long for answers (x2)
- Staff gave out erroneous information (x2)

Governance

- Finances for ISBE held up by General Assembly (x1)
- Governor needs to stay out of ISBE affairs (x1)
- Southern Illinois districts get left out (x1)
- Move ISBE functions to ROEs (x1)
- Too political and reactive (x1)

No Child Left Behind

- Need better assistance with No Child Left Behind (x1)
- Should have internet tracking for No Child Left Behind (x1)
- ISBE awards schools failing under No Child Left Behind (x1)

Testing

- Timeliness of test results is very poor (x6)
- Should do standardized testing for high school students for comparisons (x1)

Specific Programs/Departments.

- SIS system is poor (x1)
- Training sites are not near rural districts (x1)
- Educator's Certification System on line is great (x1)
- Need easier search function on webpage (x1)
- IWAS system is awkward and cumbersome (x1)

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Only Link/Best Resource

- ROE is invaluable to district (x13)
- Good communication by phone (x2)

Inadequacy

- Have not seen any webpages (x2)
- Should be open every day all summer (x1)
- Should eliminate (x1)
- ROE is overly bureaucratic (x1)

Comparisons

- Some ROEs better than others (x2)