**24:43:02:06.  Accreditation review.** At the conclusion of the five-year cycle, at a time mutually agreed upon, any public school district or nonpublic school that is eligible for continued state accreditation shall undergo a comprehensive review by the Department of Education to:

(1)  Assess progress with the comprehensive improvement plan;

(2)  Review the public school district or nonpublic school's performance during the preceding five years, including the documented academic performance of its students;

(3)  Provide a general assessment of educational practices;

(4)  Make recommendations regarding the review findings for the purpose of improving educational practices beyond the level of minimum compliance to foster practices of continuous improvement; and

(5)  Determine that the public school district or nonpublic school, including all related schools and programs, is in compliance with state laws and administrative rules.

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