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Sommario/riassunto	Performance accountability has been the dominant trend in education policy reform since the 1970's. State and federal policies set standards for what students should learn; require students to take ""high-stakes"" tests to measure what they have learned; and then hold students,

schools, and school districts accountable for their performance. The goal of these policies is to push public school districts to ensure that all students reach a common threshold of knowledge and skills. High-Stakes Reform analyzes the political processes and historical context that led to the enactment of state-level...

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