

Guide to 2022 Ohio School Report Cards





Ohio School Report Cards give parents, caregivers, community members, educators and policymakers information about how districts and schools are performing — to celebrate successes and identify areas for improvement. The information provides transparent reporting on student performance, drives local conversations on continuous improvement and identifies schools to receive intensive supports. The goal is to ensure Ohio’s students are prepared for the future.

This Guide to 2022 Ohio School Report Cards provides an overview and explanation of the key components of the 2022 Ohio School Report Cards. Districts and schools now will receive star ratings on five components, with measure data reported for additional context.

Report cards are only one part of Ohio’s education story. To get a more complete picture, visit schools, talk to educators, parents and students, and review school or district websites. A lot of great things are happening every day in Ohio’s schools!

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What do Ohio School Report Cards measure?

The Ohio Department of Education uses data reported by districts and schools to analyze performance in several categories. The types of data are collected into six components. The components are Achievement, Progress, Early Literacy, Gap Closing, Graduation, and College, Career, Workforce and Military Readiness. With the exception of the College, Career, Workforce and Military Readiness Component, the components receive 1-5-star ratings based on performance. This helps give Ohio parents and schools a snapshot of the quality of education being provided to students.

Achievement

This component represents whether student performance on state tests met established thresholds and how well students performed on tests overall.

Early Literacy

This component measures reading improvement and proficiency for students in kindergarten through third grade.

Graduation

This component looks at the four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate and the five-year adjusted cohort graduation rate.

Progress

This component looks closely at the growth all students are making based on their past performances.

Gap Closing

This component measures the reduction in educational gaps for student subgroups.

College, Career, Workforce and Military Readiness

This component looks at how well prepared Ohio's students are for future opportunities, whether training in a technical field or preparing for work or college.



Achievement Component

Measures: **Performance Index**
Performance Indicators - *report only*

Description: This component represents whether student performance on state tests met established thresholds and how well students performed on tests overall.

The Performance Index measure uses the performance level results for students in grades 3 through high school on Ohio's State Tests. The Performance Index score accounts for the level of achievement of every student, not just whether they score a proficient level on the tests. Each test a student takes is assigned an achievement level based on the test score, with higher scores resulting in higher achievement levels. On the Performance Index, the higher achievement levels receive larger weights in the calculation – but all achievement levels are included. More information about test achievement levels is [available annually in the 'Understanding Ohio's State Tests Reports' guidance document](#).

The Performance Indicators measure is a report-only measure within this component – meaning the data does not factor into the rating determination. The Performance Indicators report the percentage of students scoring proficient or higher on each of Ohio's State Tests disaggregated by grade level and subject.

Rating Scale:

ACHIEVEMENT COMPONENT RATING SCALE AND DESCRIPTIONS		
Percentage of Maximum Points Earned	Rating	Rating Description
Greater than or equal to 90% of Max Score	5 Stars	Significantly exceeds state standards in academic achievement
Greater than or equal to 80% but less than 90% of Max Score	4 Stars	Exceeds state standards in academic achievement
Greater than or equal to 70% but less than 80% of Max Score	3 Stars	Meets state standards in academic achievement
Greater than or equal to 50% but less than 70% of Max Score	2 Stars	Needs support to meet state standards in academic achievement
Less than 50% of Max Score	1 Star	Needs significant support to meet state standards in academic achievement

How to use the data:

- Which students are performing well? Which are not?
- In which subjects and grades are students doing well? Why? Have they improved since last year?
- In which subjects and grades are students not doing well? Why? Is something different since last year?
- Which districts, similar to ours, are doing better than we are? What are they doing?

Progress Component

Measures: Overall Value-Added Progress Measure

Description: The term “value-added” refers to a statistical analysis used to measure the impact of districts, schools and teachers on the academic growth (or progress rates) of groups of students from year to year. More simply put, academic growth is measured by looking at the current achievement compared to prior achievement results on Ohio’s State Tests.

In Ohio, two numbers – growth index and effect size – are used to assign the component rating.

Growth Index is a measure of statistical certainty. For the Progress Component, the growth index can include several years of growth data and helps determine the certainty that the expected growth did happen or that there was a shortfall in expected growth. The growth index, also called the gain index, will fall in the range of +20 to -20 for almost all schools and districts.

Effect Size is a value that measures how strong the relationship is between two variables in a population or a sample-based estimate of that quantity or magnitude. For the Progress Component, this value tells us the magnitude of academic growth relative to the state as a whole. Effect size can be a positive or negative number. The higher the positive number indicates higher magnitude of growth. The higher the negative number indicates a shortfall in the expected growth to a higher degree.

The rating scales for the Progress Component are unique to districts versus schools. Community schools are included in the school rating scales.

PROGRESS COMPONENT RATING FOR DISTRICTS		
Percentage of Maximum Points Earned	Rating	Rating Description
Growth index of at least +2 and effect size of at least +0.1	5 Stars	Significant evidence that the district exceeded student growth expectations by a larger magnitude
Growth index of at least +2 and effect size of less than +0.1	4 Stars	Significant evidence that the district exceeded student growth expectations
Greater than or equal to -2 but less than +2	3 Stars	Evidence that the district met student growth expectations
Less than -2 and effect size of at least -0.1	2 Stars	Significant evidence that the district fell short of student growth expectations
Less than -2 and effect size of less than -0.1	1 Star	Significant evidence that the district fell short of student growth expectations by a larger magnitude

PROGRESS COMPONENT RATING FOR SCHOOLS		
Percentage of Maximum Points Earned	Rating	Rating Description
Growth index of at least +2 and effect size of at least +0.2	5 Stars	Significant evidence that the school exceeded student growth expectations by a larger magnitude
Growth index of at least +2 and effect size of less than +0.2	4 Stars	Significant evidence that the school exceeded student growth expectations
Greater than or equal to -2 but less than +2	3 Stars	Evidence that the school met student growth expectations
Less than -2 and effect size of at least -0.2	2 Stars	Significant evidence that the school fell short of student growth expectations
Less than -2 and effect size of less than -0.2	1 Star	Significant evidence that the school fell short of student growth expectations by a larger magnitude

How to use the data:

- Which students are making progress, and which are not?
- How can we change instruction for groups that are not making progress every year?
- Which districts, similar to ours, are doing better than we are? What are they doing?

Early Literacy Component

Measures: **Proficiency in Third Grade Reading
Promotion to Fourth Grade
Improving K-3 Literacy**

Description: The Early Literacy Component measures reading improvement and proficiency for students in kindergarten through third grade. This component includes three different unrated measures that help provide a more complete picture of early literacy in our schools and districts. The three measures are combined to create a single rating for the Early Literacy Component.

The **Proficiency in Third Grade Reading** measure reports how many students score proficient or higher on the reading segment of Ohio' State Test for English Language Arts for grade 3. It is important to note that this score is separate from reaching proficiency overall on the Third Grade English Language Arts test.

The **Promotion to Fourth Grade** measure reports the percentage of students in third grade who were promoted to fourth grade.

The **Improving K-3 Literacy** measure uses two consecutive years of data to evaluate how well schools and districts are doing at providing supports needed to help struggling readers become on track with their reading.

EARLY LITERACY COMPONENT RATING DESCRIPTIONS

Score Range	Rating	Rating Description
From 88% to 100%	5 Stars	Significantly exceeds state standards in early literacy (K-3)
From 78% to less than 88%	4 Stars	Exceeds state standards in early literacy (K-3)
From 68% to less than 78%	3 Stars	Meets state standards in early literacy (K-3)
From 58% to less than 68%	2 Stars	Needs support to meet state standards in early literacy (K-3)
From 0% to less than 58%	1 Star	Needs significant support to meet state standards in early literacy (K-3)

How to use the data:

- To what extent does our local literacy plan align with [Ohio's Plan to Raise Literacy Achievement?](#)
- How does our early literacy curriculum rate on the [Ohio Materials Matter Reviews?](#)
- What district(s) with similar demographics are performing significantly better than we are? What programs, practices, professional development and coaching are in place in these other districts?

Gap Closing Component

- Measures:**
- Gifted Performance Indicator**
 - Chronic Absenteeism Improvement Indicator**
 - English Language Proficiency Improvement Indicator**
 - Graduation Goals by Student Subgroup**
 - English Language Arts, Math Achievement by Student Subgroup**
 - English Language Arts, Math Progress (Growth) by Student Subgroup**

Description: The Gifted Performance Indicator is a measure with three elements that evaluates the performance of students identified as gifted on the Gifted Performance Index, Gifted Progress (Growth), and school and district performance with Gifted Identification and Services provided. This indicator was included in the Achievement Component in the previous accountability system and report cards.

The Chronic Absenteeism Improvement Indicator measures the chronic absenteeism rates of schools and districts against annual goals and the reduction of chronic absenteeism year over year. This indicator was included in the Achievement Component in the previous accountability system and report cards.

The English Language Proficiency Improvement Indicator measures the English language proficiency of students identified as English learners on the Ohio English Language Proficiency Assessment (OELPA) against annual goals and the improvement of proficiency year over year.

Graduation Goals by Student Subgroup evaluates whether the applicable subgroups for a school or district meet their four-year graduation goals. There must be at least 15 students per subgroup (as listed below) to be evaluated on this measure.

English Language Arts, Math Achievement by Student Subgroup evaluates subgroup-specific Performance Index scores to determine whether each subgroup meets their English language arts and math achievement goals. There must be at least 15 students per subgroup (as listed below) to be evaluated on this measure.

English Language Arts, Math Progress (Growth) by Student Subgroup evaluates subgroup-specific Value-Added results to evaluate whether each subgroup meets their English language arts and math growth goals. There must be at least 15 students per subgroup (as listed below) to be evaluated on this measure.

Student Subgroups:

All Students	Black, Non-Hispanic
Asian or Pacific Islander	Multiracial
Hispanic	English Learner
White, Non-Hispanic	Economic Disadvantage
American Indian or Alaskan Native	Students with Disabilities

GAP CLOSING COMPONENT RATING		
Range – Percentage of Points Earned out of Possible Points	Rating	Rating Description
Greater than or equal to 60%	5 Stars	Significantly exceeds state standards in closing educational gaps
Greater than or equal to 45% but less than 60%	4 Stars	Exceeds state standards in closing educational gaps
Greater than or equal to 30% but less than 45%	3 Stars	Meets state standards in closing educational gaps
Greater than or equal to 10% but less than 30%	2 Stars	Needs support to meet state standards in closing educational gaps
Less than 10%	1 Star	Needs significant support to meet state standards in closing educational gaps

How to use the data:

- Which students are performing well? Which are not?
- Do we have some student groups that are meeting their goals and others that are not? Why?
- Are our student groups meeting growth but not achievement goals?
- How can we maintain or improve instruction or supports for students who are not meeting their annual goals?
- Do we see a connection between chronic absenteeism and achievement?

Graduation Component

Measures: **Four-Year Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate**
 Five-Year Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate

Description: Four-Year Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate is calculated by dividing the number of students who graduate in four years or less with a regular or honors diploma by the number of students who form the final adjusted cohort for the graduating class.

Five-Year Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate is calculated by dividing the number of students who graduate in five years or less with a regular or honors diploma by the number of students who form the final adjusted cohort for the graduating class.

The resulting graduation rates are multiplied by the weights established in state law to create a weighted graduation rate. The weighted graduation rate is the value used to determine the Graduation Component rating.

GRADUATION COMPONENT RATING		
Weighted Graduation Rate	Rating	Rating Description
Greater than or equal to 96.5%	5 Stars	Significantly exceeds state standards in graduation rates
Greater than or equal to 93.5% but less than 96.5%	4 Stars	Exceeds state standards in graduation rates
Greater than or equal to 90% but less than 93.5%	3 Stars	Meets state standards in graduation rates
Greater than or equal to 84% but less than 90%	2 Stars	Needs support to meet state standards in graduation rates
Less than 84%	1 Star	Needs significant support to meet state standards in graduation rates

How to use the data:

- Has our graduation rate remained steady, improved or declined?
- What are the reasons students are not graduating?
- Are we seeing an increase in students graduating? Does that align with known efforts or programs to increase graduation for our students?
- What are we doing to grow the number of students who graduate?
- Which districts, similar to ours, are doing better than we are? What are they doing?

College, Career, Workforce and Military Readiness Component

Measures: This component is made up of 14 separate measures that are used to estimate how prepared the graduating class from a district or building is to go on to postsecondary education, enter the workforce or join the armed forces.

- ACT/SAT Remediation-Free Scores**
- Honors Diploma**
- Advanced Placement (AP) Credits Earned**
- International Baccalaureate (IB) Credits Earned**
- Twelve or More Credential Points in a Single Career Field**
- State-recognized License**
- Twelve or more College Credit Plus (CCP) Credits Earned**
- Enlistment in the Military**
- Completion of a Pre-Apprenticeship or Apprenticeship**
- Acceptance into an Apprenticeship Program Post High School**
- OhioMeansJobs-Readiness Seal and 250 Hours of Internship/Work-based Learning**

Description: The readiness of a graduating class is estimated by calculating the number of students who achieve one or more of the component measure goals.

This component will not be included in the overall report card rating or rated as an individual component until the 2024-2025 school year at the earliest. The data will be reported but not rated until that time.

COLLEGE, CAREER, WORKFORCE AND MILITARY READINESS COMPONENT RATING	
NOT RATED AT THIS TIME	Rating
	5 Stars
	4 Stars
	3 Stars
	2 Stars
	1 Star

How to use the data:

- Which of the opportunities for this component does our school offer?
- Are those who are moving on to college able to succeed in college-level work immediately? Is remediation needed?
- How do we inform parents and encourage students to get involved in these opportunities?
- Are all groups of students accessing the variety of opportunities to demonstrate readiness?

Other Report Card Information

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)

PBIS is a framework that guides school teams in the selection, integration and implementation of evidence-based practices for improving academic, social and behavior outcomes for all students. The PBIS process emphasizes four integrated elements: data for decision-making; evidence-based interventions and practices that support varying student needs; systems that efficiently and effectively support implementation of these practices; and continual progress monitoring to ensure outcomes are met.

Opportunity to Learn

Data availability on access to technology devices and high-speed internet became of great interest and importance. The Department began collecting and reporting this data in 2021. The data within the Opportunity to Learn measure is report only and intended for informational and planning purposes. It does not factor into a school or district's report card rating.

School Choice Options

The School Choice Options report provides readers with an understanding of the number of students who are partaking in enrollment options other than their own district of residence. The data does not reflect the quantity or quality of options within each category.

Wellness and Physical Education

State law requires the reporting of physical education and wellness measures. For district and school report cards, the data are reported through four measures. These measures include:

1. The extent to which the students meet physical education benchmarks
2. Whether the district implemented a local wellness policy required by federal regulation
3. Whether the building and/or district elected to administer Body Mass Index screenings to students (data gathered by Ohio Department of Health)
4. Participation in the Physical Education Pilot Program

Attendance Rate

The student attendance rate reports the aggregate percent of time the enrolled students in a school or district are in attendance over the course of a school year. This data point is reported on the school and district report cards for informational purposes only and does not directly factor into the component ratings.

Expenditure Calculations and Rankings

The financial measures provide information about spending on classroom instruction and average spending per student, as well as comparisons to other districts and schools. The reported measures also include source of funds (local, state, federal, other) for the district in comparison to state totals. Specifically, states must report on a per-pupil basis how much of a district or school's expenditures were paid with federal funds versus the amount paid with state and/or local funds. Each district's expenditures are ranked statewide in two ways: by operating expenditure per pupil and by percentage spent on classroom instruction.

Similar District Methodology

In order to evaluate performance data for a given district, it often is useful to consider how similar districts compare on the same data. The method for use on Ohio School Report Cards starts with any given district and identifies up to 20 districts that are most similar according to certain criteria. Statistically speaking, these are the "nearest neighbors" of the selected district.

Education Management Information System (EMIS)

The Education Management Information System (EMIS) is a statewide data collection system for Ohio's primary and secondary education, including demographic information, attendance, course information, financial data and test results.

What do the Career-Technical Planning District Report Cards measure?

The Career Technical Planning District Report Cards include specific marks of performance, called measures, within broad categories called components. They receive grades for up to six measures and four components.

Achievement

The Achievement component has two measures – Technical Skill Attainment and Performance Index. Technical Skill Attainment shows the proportion of students passing technical assessments. These assessments measure the skills and knowledge learned in a student’s career-technical program.

Graduation

This grade measures the percent of students who concentrate in career-technical education and graduate from high school within four or five years.

Post-Program Outcomes

This shows the percent of students who, within six months of leaving high school, are employed or in apprenticeships or the military, or are enrolled in postsecondary education or advanced training.

A second ungraded measure reports information on industry-recognized credential attainment. Students must earn either 12 points through an industry-recognized credential or group of credentials within a single career field or any industry-recognized credential within six months of leaving school to be counted in this measure.

Career and Postsecondary Readiness

This component looks at how well-prepared Ohio’s students are for future opportunities, whether training in a technical field or preparing for work or college.

What do the Dropout Prevention and Recovery Report Cards measure?

Community schools that serve a majority of their students through dropout prevention and recovery programs receive the Dropout Prevention and Recovery Report Card. These schools receive one of the following ratings for report card measures – Exceeds Standards, Meets Standards, or Does Not Meet Standards.

Achievement

This rating reports the percentage of students who passed or met the cumulative performance score on all applicable tests required for high school graduation.

Progress

This rating is the school's academic growth for its students in math and reading. Progress looks closely at the growth that all students are making.

Gap Closing

This rating shows how well schools are meeting the performance expectations for students in English language arts, math, graduation, and English Language Proficiency Improvement.

Graduation

This rating reports the number of students graduating from the school in four, five, six, seven or eight years.

Quick Facts for the 2021-2022 Report Cards

- Star ratings will be assigned to five of the six components. College, Career, Workforce and Military Readiness Component is not rated this year.
- No overall rating will be assigned this year.
- Chronic Absenteeism Improvement Indicator is a report-only data item; it does not factor into the Gap Closing Component calculation for this year only.

Glossary

- **ANNUAL PERFORMANCE GOALS** are performance targets set for each student subgroup and separately for English language arts, math and graduation. These goals are used in the Gap Closing component and negotiated with the U.S. Department of Education as goals used to close educational gaps over the next 10 years. These often were previously referred to as Annual Measurable Objectives.
- **COMPONENT** is a group of measures that are combined into one data point and assigned a star rating on the report card.
- **MEASURE** is a single calculation about one specific data point. The measures do not receive their own ratings on the report card, but they are combined into the relevant component.
- **OVERALL RATING** is the highest data point on a report card, it combines all the data from each rated component. There are no overall ratings for the 2021-2022 school year.
- **PERFORMANCE INDICATORS** are a report-only measure of achievement proficiency. Previously called the Indicators Met measure, the Performance Indicators report proficiency percentages by grade level and test subject.
- **REPORT ONLY MEASURES** are single calculations about one specific data point that do not contribute to the component rating. These items are reported for informational and planning purposes only.

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