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Alabama

AT A GLANCE

Format	**A-F letter grades**
Based on	**A points system across indicators**
Tool	**Alabama School Report Card**
Look up at	**reportcard.alsde.edu**

OVERVIEW

Alabama gives each school an A-F grade on the Alabama School Report Card , calculated from a points system across several indicators.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Alaska

AT A GLANCE	
Format	Report card + support identificati...
No	Single grade or stars
Tool	Alaska DEED Report Card
Look up at	education.alaska.gov

OVERVIEW

Alaska publishes a state report card and identifies lower-performing schools for support under ESSA — rather than assigning a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
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Arizona

AT A GLANCE

Format	**A-F letter grades**
Based on	**A points system across measures**
Tool	**AZ School Report Cards / A-F**
Look up at	**azed.gov / azreportcards.azed.gov**

OVERVIEW

Arizona gives each school an A-F letter grade , calculated from a points system across several measures and published by the Arizona Department of Education.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Arkansas

AT A GLANCE

Format	**A-F (from the ESSA School Index)**
Tool	**My School Info**
Look up at	**myschoolinfo.arkansas.gov**

OVERVIEW

Arkansas gives each school an ESSA School Index score that maps to an A-F letter grade , published on the My School Info portal.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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California

AT A GLANCE	
Format	**Color dashboard (5 colors)**
Tool	**California School Dashboard**
Also	**School Accountability Report Card...**
No single	**A-F grade**
Look up at	**caschooldashboard.org**

OVERVIEW

California does not give schools a single letter grade or star rating. Instead, it uses the California School Dashboard — a color-coded report across multiple measures — plus each school's School Accountability Report Card (SARC) .

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Colorado

AT A GLANCE

Format	School Performance Frameworks (pla...
Ratings	Performance, Improvement, Priority...
Tool	SchoolView / SPF
Look up at	cde.state.co.us

OVERVIEW

Colorado rates schools with School Performance Frameworks (SPF) , which assign a plan type based on performance — rather than a letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Connecticut

AT A GLANCE

Format	**Next Generation Accountability Ind...**
Scale	**Points across 12 indicators (a %)**
Tool	**EdSight**
Look up at	**edsight.ct.gov**

OVERVIEW

Connecticut rates schools with the Next Generation Accountability System — an index score (a percentage of possible points across a dozen indicators) — published on EdSight , rather than a letter grade or stars.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Delaware

AT A GLANCE

Format	**Star ratings (1–5)**
Tool	**Delaware Report Card**
Look up at	**reportcard.doe.k12.de.us**

OVERVIEW

Delaware rates schools with star ratings (1 to 5 stars) on the Delaware Report Card , based on a points system across indicators.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Florida

AT A GLANCE	
Format	**A-F school grades**
Based on	**Achievement, learning gains, grad...**
Tool	**FLDOE school grades**
Long-running	**Since the late 1990s**
Look up at	**fldoe.org**

OVERVIEW

Florida gives each school an A-F grade — one of the longest-running letter-grade systems in the country. Grades are published each year by the Florida Department of Education.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Georgia

AT A GLANCE	
Format	**CCRPI index (0–100)**
Components	**Content Mastery, Progress, Closing...**
Tool	**Georgia CCRPI / report cards**
Look up at	**gadoe.org / gosa.georgia.gov**

OVERVIEW

Georgia rates schools with the CCRPI (College and Career Ready Performance Index) — a 0–100 score built from several components, rather than a letter grade or stars.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Hawaii

AT A GLANCE	
Format	Strive HI (index + classifications...
System	Strive HI Performance System
Statewide	Single district (HIDOE)
Look up at	hawaiipublicschools.org

OVERVIEW

Hawaii — a single statewide district — rates schools with the Strive HI Performance System , which produces an index score and classifications rather than a letter grade or stars.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Idaho

AT A GLANCE	
Format	Report card + support identificati...
No	Single grade or stars
Tool	Idaho Report Card
Look up at	idahoschools.org

OVERVIEW

Idaho publishes the Idaho Report Card and identifies lower-performing schools for support under ESSA — rather than assigning a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Illinois

AT A GLANCE

Format	**Summative designations (4 tiers)**
Tiers	**Exemplary, Commendable, Targeted...**
Tool	**Illinois Report Card**
Look up at	**illinoisreportcard.com**

OVERVIEW

Illinois assigns each school a summative designation (a tiered label, not a letter grade or stars) and publishes a rich Illinois Report Card for every school.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Indiana

AT A GLANCE

Format	**A-F (paused/redesigned)**
Status	**Resuming ~2026–27**
Interim	**Federal ESSA designations**
Tool	**Indiana GPS / report cards**
Look up at	**indianagps.doe.in.gov**

OVERVIEW

Indiana historically used A-F letter grades , but the state paused and is redesigning its A-F system (with new grades expected to resume around 2026–27). In the meantime, schools carry federal ESSA designations , and data is shown on the Indiana GPS dashboard.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Iowa

AT A GLANCE

Format	**Rating levels (6)**
Ratings	**Exceptional – Priority**
Tool	**Iowa School Performance Profiles**
Look up at	**Iaschoolperformance.gov**

OVERVIEW

Iowa rates schools with the Iowa School Performance Profiles , which assign one of six rating levels based on ESSA indicators — rather than a letter grade or stars.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Kansas

AT A GLANCE

Format	Report card data + KESA accreditat...
No	Single grade or stars
Accreditation	Kansas Education Systems Accredita...
Tool	Kansas Building Report Card
Look up at	ksreportcard.ksde.org

OVERVIEW

Kansas does not assign a single summary grade or star rating. Instead it publishes the Kansas Building Report Card (data) and accredits schools through the Kansas Education Systems Accreditation (KESA) process.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Kentucky

AT A GLANCE

Format	**Color/star rating (5 levels)**
Colors	**Blue (highest) – Red (lowest)**
Tool	**Kentucky School Report Card**
Look up at	**kyschoolreportcard.com**

OVERVIEW

Kentucky rates schools with a color and star system (five levels) on the Kentucky School Report Card , rather than a letter grade.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Louisiana

AT A GLANCE

Format	**A-F (from a Performance Score)**
Scale	**School Performance Score (0–150)**
Tool	**Louisiana School Finder**
Look up at	**louisianaschools.com**

OVERVIEW

Louisiana gives each school a School Performance Score (SPS) that maps to an A-F letter grade , published on the Louisiana School Finder .

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Maine

AT A GLANCE

Format	Data reporting + support identific...
No	Single grade or stars
Tool	Maine DOE Data Dashboard
Look up at	maine.gov/doe

OVERVIEW

Maine publishes school and district data and identifies lower-performing schools for support under ESSA — rather than assigning a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Maryland

AT A GLANCE	
Format	**Star ratings (1–5)**
Based on	**A points/percentile system**
Tool	**Maryland School Report Card**
Look up at	**reportcard.msde.maryland.gov**

OVERVIEW

Maryland rates schools with star ratings (from 1 to 5 stars) on the Maryland School Report Card , based on a points system across multiple measures.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Massachusetts

AT A GLANCE

Format	**Classification + percentile**
Classes	**Requiring assistance/intervention...**
Also	**Accountability percentile (1–99)**
Tool	**MA School & District Profiles**
Look up at	**profiles.doe.mass.edu**

OVERVIEW

Massachusetts rates schools with an accountability classification and an accountability percentile , published on the School and District Profiles — rather than a letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Michigan

AT A GLANCE

Format	**MI School Index + dashboard**
Scale	**0–100 index**
No	**Single letter grade or stars**
Tool	**MI School Data**
Look up at	**mischooldata.org**

OVERVIEW

Michigan uses the MI School Index — a 0–100 score across multiple components — plus a parent dashboard , rather than a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Minnesota

AT A GLANCE

Format	North Star (support identification...
No	Single grade or stars
Identifies	Schools for comprehensive/targeted...
Tool	Minnesota Report Card
Look up at	rc.education.mn.gov

OVERVIEW

Minnesota uses the North Star accountability system, which identifies schools for support rather than assigning a single letter grade or star rating, and publishes the detailed Minnesota Report Card .

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Mississippi

AT A GLANCE

Format	**A-F letter grades**
Based on	**A points system across indicators**
Tool	**MDE report cards**
Look up at	**mdek12.org**

OVERVIEW

Mississippi gives each school an A-F grade under its statewide accountability system, calculated from a points system across several indicators.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Missouri

AT A GLANCE

Format	**APR points/percentage (MSIP)**
Scale	**Percentage of points earned**
No	**Single letter grade or stars**
Tool	**Missouri School Report Card**
Look up at	**apps.dese.mo.gov/MCDS**

OVERVIEW

Missouri rates schools and districts with the Annual Performance Report (APR) under the Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP) — a percentage of possible points earned , rather than a letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Montana

AT A GLANCE

Format	Data reporting + support identific...
No	Single grade or stars
Tool	GEMS / report cards
Look up at	opi.mt.gov

OVERVIEW

Montana publishes school and district data and identifies lower-performing schools for support under ESSA — rather than assigning a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Nebraska

AT A GLANCE

Format	**AQuESTT classifications (4 levels)**
Levels	**Excellent, Great, Good, Needs Impr...**
Tool	**Nebraska Education Profile (NEP)**
Look up at	**nep.education.ne.gov**

OVERVIEW

Nebraska rates schools with AQuESTT (Accountability for a Quality Education System, Today and Tomorrow) — classifying schools into levels — and publishes the Nebraska Education Profile (NEP) .

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Nevada

AT A GLANCE

Format	**Star ratings (1–5)**
Framework	**Nevada School Performance Framewor...**
Tool	**Nevada Report Card**
Look up at	**nevadareportcard.nv.gov**

OVERVIEW

Nevada rates schools with star ratings (1 to 5 stars) under the Nevada School Performance Framework (NSPF) , published on the Nevada Report Card .

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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New Hampshire

AT A GLANCE

Format	Report card + support identificati...
No	Single grade or stars
Tool	NH iPlatform / school profiles
Look up at	education.nh.gov

OVERVIEW

New Hampshire publishes school report cards / profiles and identifies lower-performing schools for support under ESSA — rather than assigning a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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New Jersey

AT A GLANCE

Format	School Performance Reports (dashbo...
Designations	ESSA CSI/TSI/ATSI
No	Single grade or stars
Tool	NJ School Performance Reports
Look up at	rc.doe.state.nj.us

OVERVIEW

New Jersey publishes detailed School Performance Reports for every school and identifies lower-performing schools for support under ESSA — rather than assigning a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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New Mexico

AT A GLANCE

Format	**NM Vistas dashboard + support**
Note	**Moved away from A-F**
Tool	**New Mexico Vistas**
Look up at	**newmexicoschools.com**

OVERVIEW

New Mexico moved away from A-F grades to the New Mexico Vistas dashboard, which shows performance and highlights schools for support — rather than assigning a single letter grade.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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New York

AT A GLANCE

Format	**ESSA designations (tiered labels)**
Statuses	**Good Standing, CSI, TSI, ATSI**
No	**Letter grade or stars**
Tool	**NYSED data site / report cards**
Look up at	**data.nysed.gov**

OVERVIEW

New York does not use letter grades or star ratings. Instead, it assigns ESSA accountability designations — schools are either in Good Standing or identified for support — and publishes detailed report cards .

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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North Carolina

AT A GLANCE

Format	**A-F school performance grades**
Scale	**0–100 mapped to a letter**
Mix	**80% achievement, 20% growth**
Tool	**NC School Report Cards**
Look up at	**ncreportcards.ondemand.sas.com**

OVERVIEW

North Carolina gives each school an A-F performance grade , published on the NC School Report Cards . The grade is based mostly on test achievement, with a portion for growth.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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North Dakota

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Format	Report card + support identificati...
No	Single grade or stars
Tool	ND Insights
Look up at	insights.nd.gov

OVERVIEW

North Dakota publishes the ND Insights report card and identifies lower-performing schools for support under ESSA — rather than assigning a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Ohio

AT A GLANCE

Format	**Star ratings (1–5)**
Components	**Achievement, Progress, Grad, Gap C...**
Tool	**Ohio School Report Cards**
Look up at	**reportcard.education.ohio.gov**

OVERVIEW

Ohio rates schools with star ratings (from 1 to 5 stars, in half-star increments), a change made in 2023 from the old A-F system. Ratings appear on the Ohio School Report Cards .

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Oklahoma

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Format	**A-F letter grades**
Based on	**A points system across indicators**
Tool	**Oklahoma School Report Cards**
Look up at	**oklaschools.com**

OVERVIEW

Oklahoma gives each school an A-F grade on the Oklahoma School Report Cards , calculated from a points system across several indicators.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Oregon

AT A GLANCE

Format	Rating levels + support identifica...
No	Single grade or stars
Tool	At-A-Glance School Profiles
Look up at	oregon.gov/ode

OVERVIEW

Oregon publishes At-A-Glance School Profiles and rates schools on each measure using levels , then identifies lower-performing schools for support under ESSA — rather than a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Pennsylvania

AT A GLANCE

Format	**Future Ready PA Index (dashboard)**
No	**Single grade or stars**
Shows	**Achievement, growth, graduation, r...**
Tool	**Future Ready PA Index**
Look up at	**futurereadypa.org**

OVERVIEW

Pennsylvania uses the Future Ready PA Index — a dashboard of indicators for each school — rather than a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Rhode Island

AT A GLANCE	
Format	**Star ratings (1–5)**
Tool	**Rhode Island Report Card**
Look up at	**reportcard.ride.ri.gov**

OVERVIEW

Rhode Island rates schools with star ratings (1 to 5 stars) on the Rhode Island Report Card , based on a points system across indicators.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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South Carolina

AT A GLANCE

Format	**Descriptive ratings (5 levels)**
Ratings	**Excellent, Good, Average, Below Av...**
Tool	**SC School Report Card**
Look up at	**screportcards.com**

OVERVIEW

South Carolina gives each school an overall rating using descriptive levels (not letter grades or stars) on the SC School Report Card .

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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South Dakota

AT A GLANCE	
Format	**School Performance Index (points)**
Tool	**South Dakota Report Card**
Also	**Support identification**
Look up at	**sdschools.sd.gov**

OVERVIEW

South Dakota rates schools using a School Performance Index (SPI) — a points/index score — on the South Dakota Report Card , and identifies schools for support under ESSA.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Tennessee

AT A GLANCE	
Format	A-F letter grades
Based on	Achievement, growth, gaps & readin...
Tool	TN School Report Card
Look up at	reportcard.tnedu.gov

OVERVIEW

Tennessee assigns each school an A-F letter grade (one of the states that report an overall letter grade), published on the TN School Report Card .

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Texas

AT A GLANCE

Format	**A-F letter grades**
Domains	**Achievement, Progress, Closing the...**
Tool	**TXschools.gov**
Since	**2017 (HB 22)**
Look up at	**txschools.gov**

OVERVIEW

Texas rates every school and district with an A-F letter grade (established in 2017). Much like a report card, letter grades in key areas combine into an overall grade, published on TXschools.gov .

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Utah

AT A GLANCE

Format	**Report-card dashboard**
Note	**Utah moved away from A-F**
Tool	**Utah School Report Card**
Look up at	**utahschoolgrades.schools.utah.gov**

OVERVIEW

Utah publishes a school report card showing performance across measures. Utah moved away from a single A-F letter grade toward a dashboard-style report — so you read the measures rather than one grade.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Vermont

AT A GLANCE

Format	Data reporting + support identific...
No	Single grade or stars
Also	Education Quality Reviews
Tool	Vermont Education Dashboard
Look up at	education.vermont.gov

OVERVIEW

Vermont publishes school data and conducts Education Quality Reviews , and identifies lower-performing schools for support under ESSA — rather than assigning a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Virginia

AT A GLANCE

Format	**School accreditation**
Statuses	**Accredited / Accredited with Condi...**
Also	**School Quality Profiles**
Tool	**VDOE School Quality Profiles**
Look up at	**schoolquality.virginia.gov**

OVERVIEW

Virginia rates schools through a school accreditation system (based on performance indicators) and publishes School Quality Profiles — rather than a letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Washington

AT A GLANCE	
Format	**WA School Improvement Framework**
Scale	**1–10 index**
Also	**State Report Card**
Tool	**WA Report Card**
Look up at	**washingtonstatereportcard.ospi.k12...**

OVERVIEW

Washington uses the Washington School Improvement Framework (WSIF) — an index (roughly a 1–10 scale) that identifies schools for support — along with a detailed State Report Card , rather than a letter grade or stars.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Washington, D.C.

AT A GLANCE

Format	**STAR framework (1–5 stars)**
Tool	**DC School Report Card**
Agency	**OSSE**
Look up at	**dcschoolreportcard.org**

OVERVIEW

Washington, D.C. rates schools with the STAR framework — a 1 to 5 star rating — on the DC School Report Card , administered by the Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE).

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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West Virginia

AT A GLANCE

Format	Balanced Scorecard (color indicato...
Colors	Green / yellow / red by measure
No	Single grade or stars
Tool	WV Balanced Scorecard
Look up at	zoomwv.k12.wv.us

OVERVIEW

West Virginia uses the WV Balanced Scorecard , which shows each measure with a color (green/yellow/red) — rather than a single letter grade or star rating.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Wisconsin

AT A GLANCE	
Format	**0–100 score + star rating**
Ratings	**Significantly Exceeds – Fails to M...**
Tool	**Wisconsin School Report Cards**
Look up at	**apps2.dpi.wi.gov/reportcards**

OVERVIEW

Wisconsin publishes a School Report Card for every school with an overall accountability score (0–100) and a corresponding rating (shown with stars).

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
- **Graduation rate** — For high schools (the 4-year cohort rate)

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Wyoming

AT A GLANCE

Format	**WAEA performance ratings (4 levels...**
Levels	**Exceeding – Not Meeting Expectatio...**
Law	**Wyoming Accountability in Educatio...**
Tool	**WDE report cards**
Look up at	**edu.wyoming.gov**

OVERVIEW

Wyoming rates schools with School Performance Ratings under the Wyoming Accountability in Education Act (WAEA) — assigning each school one of four performance levels.

KEY POINTS

- **Academic achievement** — How students score on state tests (proficiency in reading/ELA and math)
- **Academic growth / progress** — How much students improve year to year — not just where they land
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