

2009-2010 Accountability Manual Updates

Assessments used in the calculation of the ratings for school year 2009-2010

For the 2010 report cards, scheduled to be released in November 2010, the following assessments are used in the calculation of school and district ratings:

- ❑ Schools enrolling students only in kindergarten through grade two: Criteria other than assessment data (e.g., prime instructional time, pupil-teacher ratios, parent involvement, external accreditation, early-childhood professional development, percentage of teachers having advanced degrees, and percentage of teachers returning from the previous year) are used for the rating.
- ❑ Schools enrolling students in grades three through five (Elementary): 2010 PASS reading & research, writing, math, science and social studies data.
- ❑ Schools enrolling students in grades 6, 7, or 8 (Middle) and schools enrolling students in grades 6, 7, or 8 with grade 9 as the terminal grade: 2010 PASS reading & research, writing, math, science and social studies and 2009-2010 End-of-Course tests for high school credit courses.
- ❑ Schools enrolling students in grades nine through twelve: first attempt High School Assessment Program (HSAP) results, longitudinal HSAP results, percentages of end-of-course test scores of 70 or higher, and on-time graduation rates. Beginning in school year 2010-2011, fifth-year graduation rate will be factored into the calculation of high school ratings.
- ❑ Career and technology centers: Percentages of students mastering core competencies or certification requirements in center courses, along with center 12th grade graduation rates and placement rates.
- ❑ Special schools: Criteria appropriate for each school's mission.
- ❑ Districts: Assessments used for calculating the ratings for schools enrolling students in grades three through eight and high schools are used to calculate the district ratings. In addition to the assessments, the on-time graduation rate is included in the calculation of district ratings. Beginning in school year 2010-2011, fifth-year graduation rate will be factored into the calculation of district ratings. (Note: Assessment results from students attending charter schools authorized by a local school district will be used for calculating ratings for the charter schools but not for the local school district.)