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Arkansas Expands Transparency with Redesigned Report Card Website and District Letter Grades

Website Give Families Clearer View of School and District Success, Areas for Growth

LITTLE ROCK — The Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) today launched a redesigned school report card website, giving Arkansas families an easier and clearer way to see how their schools and districts are performing. The new site reflects ADE's ongoing commitment to transparency and accountability in public education.

As part of this website launch, for the first time, ADE is releasing district letter grades alongside school letter grades, giving parents, educators, and community members a complete picture of performance across schools and districts.

School and district report cards are now available on the My School Info site at myschoolinfo.arkansas.gov.

"Every student deserves a quality education and that starts with setting high expectations," said ADE Secretary Jacob Oliva. "We're holding both schools and school districts accountable for results because families deserve to know how their child's school is performing. These new, family-friendly school and district report cards give families clear, straightforward information to help them make the best decisions for their children's education and future."

New District Accountability System Holds a High Bar for Excellence

Under the ACCESS Act of 2025, ADE developed <u>a new way to measure district performance</u> and assign A-F letter grades based on student outcomes. Each district receives a score out of 900 points based on multiple measures, which is then converted to a letter grade. A District Letter Grade Overview with additional information is available <u>here</u>.

Letter Grade	Number and Percentage of Districts
A	23 (9.1%)
В	98 (38.6%)
С	98 (38.6%)
D	24 (9.4%)
F	11 (4.3%)

Families can view individual district report cards on My School Info to learn more about local performance and areas for growth.

"The new report cards are designed to make school and district performance data easy to understand," said Hope Worsham, ADE's Assistant Commissioner for Public School Accountability. "They also allow school leaders, district administrators, researchers, and policymakers to dig deeper into the data and identify where improvement is needed so we can direct resources and support to the students that need it most."

151 Schools Awarded \$7 million for Exceptional Performance

Along with the new report cards and redesigned website, Arkansas is awarding \$7 million to 151 schools statewide that displayed exceptional performance in student achievement and growth. A full list of schools receiving awards through the Arkansas School Recognition Program is available here.

Arkansas' Commitment to Transparency and Continuous Improvement

ADE will use the new district grades, along with school grades and subgroup performance data, to better determine where additional support is needed. This more comprehensive approach replaces the previous system, which relied only on reading scores.

Through **LEARNS**, ADE continues to provide schools and districts with the tools and support needed to ensure every Arkansas student has access to an excellent education. This includes:

- Expanding **high-quality instructional materials** in every subject,
- Offering high-impact tutoring in ELA and math, and
- Supporting **D** and **F** schools with specialized literacy coaching and targeted improvement planning.

"Arkansas is committed to ensuring every student has the opportunity to succeed," said Stacy Smith, ADE Deputy Commissioner. "Our new school report cards help families, educators, and communities focus on the measures that matter most to make this a reality. Together with our efforts in literacy and postsecondary readiness, they ensure every Arkansas student has the opportunity to learn, thrive, and pursue their goals."

The launch of this parent-friendly report card website marks another important step in ADE's commitment to make educational performance data clear, useful, and accessible to all Arkansans, especially families. ADE will continue to update My School Info with new data, resources, and tools so that families, community members, and educators have the information they need to make informed decisions and strengthen education across the state.

For questions about the new school and district report cards, please contact Hope Worsham at hope.worsham@ade.arkansas.gov.

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