

Determining Your School's Rating

Determining your school's report card designation is a multi-step process. The first step is to determine a preliminary rating, which is based on the following components: 1) the percentage of indicators met, 2) the performance index score and 3) AYP status.



Indicators Met		Performance Index Score		AYP Status		Preliminary Designation
94%-100%	or	100 to 120	and	Met or Not Met	=	Excellent
75%-93.9%	or	90 to 99.9	and	Met or Not Met	=	Effective
0%-74.9%	or	0 to 89.9	and	Met	=	Continuous Improvement
50%-74.9%	or	80 to 89.9	and	Not Met	=	
31%-49.9%	or	70 to 79.9	and	Not Met	=	Academic Watch
0%-30.9%	and	0 to 69.9	and	Not Met	=	Academic Emergency

The preliminary rating results from identifying the higher value between the percentage of indicators met by your school and your school's performance index score. AYP then is evaluated to determine its effect on the preliminary designation. There are three ways in which AYP can affect the preliminary designation.

1. If a school meets AYP in the current year, it can be rated no lower than Continuous Improvement.
2. If a school does not meet AYP for three consecutive years and in the current year it does not meet AYP in more than one student group, it can be rated no higher than Continuous Improvement.
3. In all other cases, AYP has no effect on the preliminary designation.

Once the preliminary designation is determined, value-added, the fourth measure in the accountability system, is evaluated to determine the impact (if any) on the school's final designation.

1. If your school's rating is restricted to Continuous Improvement due to AYP, then value-added will have no impact on the designation and the preliminary designation becomes the final designation.
2. If your school experiences above expected growth for at least two consecutive years, your school's final designation will increase by one level.
3. In all other cases, value added has no effect on the rating and the preliminary designation becomes the final designation.



Preliminary Designation		Value-Added Measure	Final Designation
Excellent	and	Above expected growth for at least 2 consecutive years	Excellent with Distinction
		Otherwise no effect on rating	Excellent
Effective	and	Above expected growth for at least 2 consecutive years	Excellent
		Otherwise no effect on rating	Effective
Continuous Improvement	and	Above expected growth for at least 2 consecutive years	Effective
		Otherwise no effect on rating	Continuous Improvement
Academic Watch	and	Above expected growth for at least 2 consecutive years	Continuous Improvement
		Otherwise no effect on rating	Academic Watch
Academic Emergency	and	Above expected growth for at least 2 consecutive years	Academic Watch
		Otherwise no effect on rating	Academic Emergency