

# What's New:

## AYP AND EDUCATION YES! 2011-12

### District Report Card

District report cards are now treated the same as a school's report card. The district's AYP status is no longer based on determinations at each level (elementary, middle school, high school). Additionally, graduation rate will be used in lieu of attendance at the district level, unless the district did not have a graduation rate calculated for it.

Many districts will not make AYP because graduation rates are included in overall AYP calculations unless the district did not have a graduation rate calculated for it. In previous years, a district could meet the elementary level AYP requirements (including attendance) and not make AYP at the middle or high school levels and still make overall AYP.

### AYP Targets

AYP proficiency targets were reset for 2011-12 due to the introduction of the College and Career Ready cut scores for MEAP and MME. An expanded proficiency target table can be found here: <http://www.michigan.gov/ayp>

Proficiency targets for 2011-12 are shown in Figure 1.

2011-12 AYP Proficiency Targets		
Grade	Reading	Mathematics
3rd	47%	17%
4th	48%	20%
5th	50%	18%
6th	43%	14%
7th	34%	14%
8th	39%	10%
11th	33%	8%

Figure 1

### Subgroup Graduation Rates

Graduation rates for subgroups have been displayed on the Michigan School Report Cards for the past several years. Up until 2011-12, these subgroup rates were only for informational purposes and were not included in final AYP determinations. Federal regulations require that subgroup graduation rates be used in calculating final AYP determinations starting with the 2011-12 report cards.

## Shared Educational Entity (SEE) Student Subgroup

A SEE subgroup will exist at the resident district. If a resident district has at least 30 SEE students, a valid subgroup exists and AYP will be calculated for the subgroup.

SEE students belonging to any relevant subgroups (e.g. racial/ethnic categories, special education, etc.) will also be included in the resident district's overall AYP calculation.

## Report Card Student Data File Tool

Science, social studies, writing, and the addition of a Bottom 30% subgroup will be included in accountability calculations starting in 2012-13. In anticipation of this, a tool has been developed to show approximate participation and proficiency values for all five content areas and all student subgroups, including the Bottom 30%. The tool is available to authenticated users of the Michigan School Report Cards. Users can find the tool underneath the student data file link on each school's or district's main AYP status page. Please note that the tool is for estimation purposes only and may not yield actual AYP participation and proficiency rates.

## Education YES!

The Education YES! methodology has not changed from previous years, however schools will notice potentially lower grades than in previous years. The College and Career Ready cut scores used on the MEAP and MME assessments raised the bar for attaining proficiency. Education YES! uses proficiency levels as part of the overall letter grade. Due to the higher proficiency cut scores, proficiency rates were lower in 2011-12 and consequently this affected overall Education YES! grades as well. The Michigan Department of Education was unable to change the Education YES! system as it needs a legislative mandate in order to do so.



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