

## 2021-22 Michigan School Grades

# Resource Toolkit

### ■ Michigan School Grades System Preview – NOW AVAILABLE!

Embargoed accountability reports for the Michigan School Grades System are **NOW AVAILABLE** for authorized MI School Data users to review at [www.mischooldata.org/school-grades/](http://www.mischooldata.org/school-grades/). Schools will have until **Tuesday, December 20, 2022 at noon** as a courtesy window period to preview embargoed 2021-22 School Grades results. School Grades results will be publicly released on MI School Data shortly after the preview window closes. Please remember that School Grades results are embargoed during the preview window and not to be shared until results are released to the public on MI School Data.

### ■ What's New for 2021-22 School Grades Results?

- Due to the gap in prior year assessment results caused by the pandemic, student growth calculations are only available for schools with students in grades 6-8 and 11 for M-STEP, PSAT 8, SAT, and MI-ACCESS. Growth for WIDA ACCESS is limited to grades 3-12.
- New school support identifications have been made in the following categories:
  - State Comprehensive Support and Improvement (SCSI)
  - Reward School (RS)

### ■ Embargoed and Protected Data

Please be advised that all 2021-22 School Grades reports information are to remain embargoed until the MDE publicly releases this information. School Grades results will be publicly released on MI School Data shortly after the preview window closes. Districts that do not respect the embargo may lose preview privileges in the future. Individual student data or personally identifiable information is protected by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and may never be shared publicly.

During the preview window, issues or concerns regarding School Grades results and data may be communicated to the School Accountability Unit by emailing [MDE-Accountability@michigan.gov](mailto:MDE-Accountability@michigan.gov) or by calling 877-560-8378, option 3 and asking to speak with accountability staff. Please note that concerns relating to the quality of source data for the various School Grades system indicators will not be considered as each data component included in the School Grades system has had its own submission/review window in its respective source data system and any issues with such data needed to be addressed at that time. All source data are considered accurate and final at the time of the School Grades preview window and requests to change to source data will not be considered.

### ■ Informational Materials and Links

The table on the following page provide an extensive list of materials that have been created to document the Michigan School Grades System, including how to access and understand School Grades reports and accountability student datafiles on MI School Data.

Resource Type	Resource Name	Resource Description
Accessing Reports & Data	<a href="#"><u>School Grades Preview and Access Instructions</u></a>	Information and instructions on accessing reports, previewing Michigan School Grades results on MI School Data, and working with accountability student data files.
	<a href="#"><u>School Grades Reports on MI School Data</u></a>	Link to Michigan School Grades reports available on MI School Data. Please note you must be logged in to view 2021-22 School Grades reports.
Guides, Presentations, & FAQs	<a href="#"><u>School Grades Overview Presentation</u></a>	Set of slides that provide an overview of the Michigan School Grades system.
	<a href="#"><u>School Grades System Guide</u></a>	Provides basic overview information on the Michigan School Grades system and included indicators.
	<a href="#"><u>School Grades Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)</u></a>	Provides a list of frequently asked questions covering everything about the school grades and rankings system from indicators to support identification.
Technical Documentation & Tools	<a href="#"><u>School Grades System Technical Business Rules</u></a>	Technical resource manual providing highly detailed instructions on how School Grades results were computed.
	<a href="#"><u>School Grades and Rankings Cut Scores by Indicator</u></a>	Provides a spreadsheet of statewide cut scores and scale for each indicator of the Michigan School Grades System.
	<a href="#"><u>Data Dictionary for Accountability Student Datafiles</u></a>	Provides a file layout and field descriptions for both accountability student datafiles.
Support Resources	<a href="#"><u>School Grades Resources</u></a>	MDE webpage containing all relevant links to resources for the Michigan School Grades system.
	<a href="#"><u>Resources for Schools Identified for Support</u></a>	MDE webpage containing all relevant links to resources supporting schools identified in one of the school support categories.