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THE ALABAMA STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION RELEASES 2023 REPORT CARDS

MONTGOMERY, AL – The Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) has posted the *Alabama State Report Card* to the ALSDE website, <u>www.alabamaachieves.org</u>.

The Report Card includes user-friendly access to millions of data points collected by the department across the state through school system portals. The Report Card officially went LIVE at **3 p.m. on Thursday, December 14, 2023.**

This is the second year there are two Report Cards available to the public: one state, and the other federal.*

Everything from individual school academic performance and student demographic profiles to college and career readiness and educator credential/demographics are now readily available – and easily viewable by the public on the ALSDE website.

The federal and state report card components are driven by the requirements outlined in each law. The *federal report* card will contain necessary components federal regulations require as they are available. A grade is not produced from this system; only an overall score is based on the accountability indicators. The *state report card* will have only the report card indicators-academic achievement, academic growth, graduation rates, college and career readiness, chronic absenteeism, and progress in English language proficiency to include the indicator scores and number/letter grade.

Over the past several years, the ALSDE has consistently provided the public with a sharp, user-friendly, easily accessible dashboard that displays accountability indicators such as **academic achievement**, **academic growth**, **graduation rates**, **college and career readiness**, **chronic absenteeism**, and **progress in English language proficiency**. Student profiles show student demographics such as ethnicity, gender, limited English proficiency, students with disabilities, students who are homeless, migrant, in foster care, or are in military families.

The Report Card allows viewers to compare up to three schools and/or school systems side-by-side, with applicable data available from previous years to the most current information available – excluding the years where reporting accountability results were waived. Information such as proficiency in English language arts, math, and science disaggregated by school year is available. The depth of which you can see educator **profile data, educator credentials, demographics, years of experience,** and percentage of teachers **working in-field** are also available.

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The Alabama State Department of Education Releases 2023 Report Cards

State Superintendent, Dr. Eric Mackey, said Alabama's commitment to providing the public with clear and easy to understand graphics and charts that show significant details about public education in Alabama is essential to communicating with communities and stakeholders.

"We want everyone to be aware of what is going on in the schools across our state. We are committed to providing easily manipulative online tools that show rich, detailed data in a way that is intuitive, simple, readable, and parent-friendly," Mackey said. "This is a useful resource for anyone interested in Alabama's public education data."

Mackey said parents, educators, and the public alike can use the Report Card to learn more about what is happening inside of all Alabama public schools. He hopes the Report Card will be used to jumpstart conversations about what is working in public schools as well as identifying areas that may need support and/or additional resources.

Both the state and federal report cards can be accessed here: https://statereportcard.alsde.edu

* The Alabama State Accountability System is calculated separately from the federal system as a result of Senate Bill 170 (approved April 5, 2022) which requires the ALSDE to determine Academic Achievement differently from what the Every Student Succeeds Act allows.

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