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<u>M E M O R A N D U M</u>

Sending on behalf of ISBE'S Director of Data Strategies & Analytics Patrick Payne:

District Administrators and Staff,

ISBE is excited to inform you of another tool developed to assist with the 2019 Report Card process. The Data Review and Verification Tool (DRVT) is a new application that districts will be able to access via the My IRC portal beginning July 1. The DRVT will display all Report Card metrics (except Summative Designation, Site-Based Expenditures, National Assessment of Educational Progress, and federal Civil Rights Data Collection) as currently calculated based on the data districts have submitted up to that point in time. This will allow administrators to review their calculated Report Card metrics months in advance of the Report Card release and observe anomalies or missing data submission instantly. We feel this tool will provide districts invaluable feedback to ease the data submission and error correction process and improve every district's data quality for the 2019 Report Card. It is imperative the data verifications be completed in a timely manner to ensure the accuracy and timely completion and distribution of the 2019 Report Card.

To learn more about the DRVT and have the opportunity to ask questions, please join the May 7 webinar *Kicking Off Report Card 2019: Timeline and Process Overview* – <u>Register here</u>.

We also continue to ask that all district and school administrators ensure their contact information in ISBE's Entity Profile System (EPS) is accurate and current, in light of any staff or administration changes occurring in the upcoming months. This will help to ensure all administrators are receiving any direct communications sent by ISBE. Any updates to contact information in EPS can be made via IWAS.

High-level Report Card Timeline

- May: Data submissions and data quality checks begin.
- > July: Review and verify data in the Data Review and Verification Tool via My IRC portal.
- > September: District superintendents sign-off on their submitted data.
- Contract Superintendents and principals preview 2019 Report Card.

New information will continue to be posted at <u>www.isbe.net/support</u> and <u>www.isbe.net/ilreportcard</u>. Additionally, ISBE will be providing information via the Report Card Rundown and the Superintendent's Weekly Message.

If you have any questions, please call the Division of Data Strategies & Analytics at (312) 814-9192 or email <u>reportcard@isbe.net</u>.