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September 2021



# RUNDOWN

Report Card information for schools and districts, including **data system openings and closings, deadline reminders, and key information regarding changes and updates to the 2021 Report Card.**

## Need to Know

### College and Career Ready Indicator

- The COVID-19 pandemic interrupted students' access to the SAT, which is part of the criteria to earn the Distinguished Scholar designation. Therefore, ISBE will only report the overall College and Career Ready percent for the school year 2021 Report Card and will **not** report on Distinguished Scholar or College and Career Scholar.

### IAR Student Growth Percentile

- The calculation of a growth score in 2021 was impacted by the cancellation of assessments in 2020. As a result, Student Growth Percentile data will not be reported on the 2021 Report Card.

### All 2021 Illinois Report Card data is under embargo and subject to change until Oct. 29

- ISBE will communicate in early October an exact time that the embargo will be lifted on Oct. 29. Districts may share their 2021 Illinois Report Card data only with individuals whom they determine to have legitimate educational interests with the express understanding that the data are not to be shared publicly until after the official statewide release on Oct. 29. Publicly available discussions, presentations, and reports based upon embargoed data may not occur during the embargo period.

## Openings and Closings

### Data Review and Verification Tool (DRVT)

- [DRVT](#) via MyIRC – **Currently Open – Closes Sept. 30**
  - Note: The DRVT will close at 5 p.m. on Sept. 30; however, data collection deadlines depend on the related IWAS system and may be earlier than Sept. 30.
- Sept. 15 is the last day districts can update College and Career Ready Indicator Student Information System (SIS) Collection data.

### Educator Preview

- [Educator Preview](#) via MyIRC – **Opens Oct. 1**
  - All districts will get access to the Report Card Educator Preview beginning on Oct. 1.

### Student Information System

- Important SIS data collection dates can be found [here](#).

## Reminders

### Report Card Release Dates

- The 2021 Report Card will have three releases of data. Having both spring and fall testing windows for the 2021 school year means Assessments data and College and Career Ready data will be released during the second release or the third release (as applicable by district). The various release dates are listed below, as well as when you can expect to start seeing Assessments data, College and Career Ready data, and Early Learning data on the Report Card:
  - The initial release of the Report Card will take place on Oct. 29, 2021. This release will include all metrics that do not rely on Assessments data. These data will be reported at the school, district, and state levels.
  - On Dec. 2, 2021, the following data will be released to the Report Card for districts that completed spring assessment testing. These data will only be reported at the school and district levels. No state-level data will be released.
    - Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR)
    - SAT
    - College and Career Ready
    - Early Learning
  - On April 27, 2022, the following data will be released to the Report Card for those who completed spring and/or fall assessment testing. These data will be reported at the school, district, and state levels.
    - IAR
    - SAT
    - ACCESS
    - Dynamic Learning Maps Alternate Assessment
    - Illinois Science Assessment
    - College and Career Ready

### Summative Designations

- Accountability for the 2020-21 school year was waived; therefore, summative designations will **not** be calculated for 2021. Schools that have been previously identified for support will maintain that support status, but **no** 2021 annual summative designation will be reported. Instead the following message will be displayed on the Report Card:
  - Summative Designations: 2021 Not Calculated
- The requirement to issue a summative designation was [waived](#) for school year 2020-21 so that data can be used to provide information to support reengagement and restoration. Local context is critical to understanding all reported data. Use caution when interpreting.
- The updated [2021 Official Summative Designation Business Rules](#) are now available on ISBE's website.

### New Reporting Feature

- Starting with school year 2020-21, the Illinois Report Card will include a new reporting feature that will replace both the At-a-Glance reports and the Classic PDF reports going forward. This new feature, titled "Custom Report Card Builder," will allow users to select for themselves which data points to include on the screen or print output from nearly the entire range of data available on the interactive report card site.
  - At-a-Glance reports will still be available for school year 2019-20 and prior.
  - Classic PDF reports will still be available for school year 2019-20 and prior.

## Upcoming Webinars

## 2021 Report Card Overview #1 – Sept. 30

- Join staff for the 2021 Report Card Overview #1 webinar from 10-11:30 a.m. on Sept. 30. ISBE staff will review all new elements on the 2021 Report Card, including data affected by the suspension of in-person instruction. Additionally, staff will assist with any questions regarding abnormal-looking data and any other questions you may have. The webinar will be recorded and posted for those unable to attend in person. [Register now!](#)

## In Case You Missed It

### Report Card Open Forum #2 Webinar

- ISBE hosted a webinar on July 29 to review previous 2021 Report Card webinar frequently asked questions. It also provided another opportunity for districts to ask questions related to the Report Card. [View the recording.](#)

### Site-Based Expenditure Reporting and the Report Card: All things SBER from Collection to Report Card Webinar

- ISBE hosted a webinar on July 22 to take a look at the entire process from data calculation to the presentation of Site-Based Expenditure Reporting (SBER) data on the district Report Card. [View the recording.](#)

### Revisiting the Data Review and Verification Tool Webinar

- ISBE hosted a webinar on July 1 to revisit the Data Review and Verification Tool. The webinar covered the tool as well as new features. [View the recording.](#)

### Report Card Kickoff Webinar

- ISBE hosted a webinar on June 17 to provide a broad overview of the Report Card data collection, review, and finalization processes. The webinar covered key dates and deadlines as well as tools provided by ISBE to help districts submit their data in a timely and accurate fashion. [View the recording.](#)

### SIS End of Year Report Card Data Verification Webinar

- ISBE hosted a webinar on June 2 to review the Student Information System - End of School Year 2021 Report Card Data Verification. [View the recording.](#)

### Past Rundown Issues

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