

October 2021



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

Early Learning Data

- Early Learning data from the Kindergarten Individual Development Survey (KIDS) will **not** be reported on the school year 2021 Report Card. The 2021 school year data does not reflect kindergarten readiness as it has in the past.
 - A narrative report will be made available on the [KIDS website](#) in the near future to address why the data does not reflect kindergarten readiness. In addition, we will provide information on how to interpret this data for local use.

Science Assessment Proficiency Data

- Science Assessment Proficiency data will be reported via the www.isbe.net/ISA website. It will **not** be reported on the SY 2021 Report Card. Additional information will be made available in the near future.

College and Career Readiness Indicator Reports Available in SIS

- Two new reports have been released in the Student Information System (SIS) for the College and Career Readiness Indicator (CCRI). They can be found under Reports -> Summative Designation -> Summative Reports.
 - The first is the CCRI Student **Roster Report** and the second is the CCRI Student **Summary Report**.
- These reports have been added to allow districts and schools to view the full compiled data for each student for the College and Career Readiness Indicator. The CCRI Student Roster Report will show what indicators each student has met according to the data submitted to ISBE. ISBE pulls data for this indicator from course enrollments, course grades, student attendance, graduation tables, and the College and Career Readiness collection. This report can be filtered by students who are in the annual calculation and those that are not, and sorted by student ID, last name, and grade. This will allow districts to not only verify their data but also track the progress of students as they move through their high school career. The CCRI Student Summary Report will summarize the core requirements to be either a College and Career Ready Scholar or a Distinguished Scholar by student.
- **Some Important Notes:**
 - College and Career Readiness will be displayed for the first time this year in the **second Report Card release**.
 - The Report Card will only display the overall rate of College and Career Readiness. The percentage of students who met Distinguished Scholar or College and Career Ready Scholar will not be displayed.
 - One reason for reporting only the overall rate is that the students who are included in this calculation (students with an exit code of graduated in 2021) did not take the state administration of SAT during their junior year of high school due to the suspension of instruction and cancellation of state assessments.

- Although there was a makeup administration offered by ISBE in fall of 2020, ISBE **did not receive the data** from this administration. ISBE **cannot use this data** to determine if students met the Distinguished Scholar score threshold.
- Districts have access to the fall 2020 data through the College Board's reporting portal and may use this data to mark a student as having met the Minimum ACT or SAT Subject Scores - English, Reading, and Writing and/or Minimum ACT or SAT Subject Scores - Math.

All 2021 Illinois Report Card data is under embargo and subject to change until 9:30 a.m. Oct. 29

- ISBE will release preliminary state-level Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) and SAT aggregates from spring testing and preliminary school- and district-level non-assessment data under embargo to media, schools, and districts Oct. 18.
- The embargo will be lifted and the www.illinoisreportcard.com website will be updated with 2021 data at 9:30 a.m. 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. District publicly available discussions, presentations, and reports based upon embargoed data may not occur during the embargo period.

Openings and Closings

Educator Preview

- **Educator Preview via MyIRC – Currently Open**
 - All districts now have access to the Report Card Educator Preview as of Oct. 1.
 - Educator Preview allows districts the ability to view their **finalized** data prior to it being released on the Report Card.
 - Data being displayed at this time includes all metrics that **do not** rely on Assessments data and should be considered **finalized**.

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. 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 **preliminary** data will be released to the Report Card for districts that completed **spring** assessment testing. These data will **only** be reported on the Report Card at the school and district levels. **No** state-level data for these metrics will be released on the Report Card during this time.
 - IAR
 - SAT
 - Participation Rates (IAR, SAT, and Illinois Science Assessment [ISA])
 - College and Career Ready
 - On April 27, 2022, the following **finalized** 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 (DLM-AA)
 - Participation Rates (IAR, SAT, DLM-AA, and ISA)
 - College and Career Ready
- Note: The following metrics will **not** be reported on the SY 2021 Report Card. In the near future, additional information regarding the following metrics will be posted to ISBE's website.
 - [Illinois Science Assessment](#)
 - [IAR - Growth Percentile](#)
 - [Summative Designation](#)
 - [Early Learning \(KIDS\)](#)

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.

2021 Report Card Overview #2 – Nov. 4

- Join staff for the 2021 Report Card Overview #2 webinar from 10-11:30 a.m. on Nov. 4. ISBE staff will review all new elements on the second release of the 2021 Report Card. Additionally, staff will assist with any questions regarding new data available in the second release. The webinar will be recorded and posted for those unable to attend in person. [Register now!](#)

2021 Report Card Open Forum #4 – Nov. 18

- Join staff for the 2021 Report Card Open Forum #4 webinar from 10-11:30 a.m. on Nov. 18. This webinar will review previous 2021 Report Card webinar Frequently Asked Questions. It will provide another opportunity for districts to ask Report Card-related questions. The webinar will be recorded and posted for those unable to attend in person. [Register now!](#)

In Case You Missed It

2021 Report Card Overview #1

- ISBE hosted a webinar on Sept. 30 to review all new elements on the 2021 Report Card, including data affected by the suspension of in-person instruction. [View the recording.](#)

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

- [September 2021](#)
- [August 2021](#)
- [July 2021](#)
- [June 2021](#)
- [May 2021](#)





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