



THE RUNDOWN

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Welcome to the Report Card Rundown -- A monthly data newsletter that outlines all of the Report Card information schools and districts need to know, including data system openings and closings, deadline reminders, and key information regarding changes and updates to the 2020 Report Card.

Need to Know

- **Updated 2020 Business Rules with Revision History:** The business rules and new metrics for the 2020 Report Card are available on the [Report Card Metrics](#) page. The document contains a Revision History section so you can view any edits or updates that occur as we move through the Report Card process.
- **Updated 2020 Report Card Glossary of Terms:** Definitions of all terms used in the 2020 Report Card are available on the [Report Card Data Library](#) page. Recently added terms include Gifted Education terms, Illinois Youth Survey, Title I Improvement Funds, and more.
- **Site-Based Expenditure Reporting:** SBER staff collected the most frequently asked questions about FY 2020 Site-Based Expenditure Reporting into a single document for easy reference. [View the SBER FAQ.](#)



Reminders

- **Data Review and Verification Tool (DRVT)**
 - **! Last day districts can update their data within SIS, EIS, etc. – Sept. 15**
 - **! Superintendent Signoff (data certification) due – 5 p.m. on Sept. 18**
 - **Superintendent data certification due – Sept. 18**

Districts that certify their results by 5 p.m. on Sept. 18 will get early access to the Report Card Educator preview on Oct. 1 via MyIRC. All other districts will get access on Oct. 15.

 - Early Access: Report Card Educator Preview – **Oct. 1**
 - Standard Access: Report Card Educator Preview – **Oct. 15**
 - **DRVT window closes via My IRC – Sept. 30**
 - NOTE: From Sept. 16 to Sept. 30, data displayed within the DRVT will not change, but districts will still have the ability to view their data as we prepare “early access” to the 2020 Report Card Educator Preview.
- **Site-Based Expenditure Reporting (SBER)**
 - **FY 2020 Site-Based Expenditure Reporting via IWAS –Option to edit through Aug. 31**

All FY 2020 site-based expenditure reports were due in IWAS by Aug. 14. A two-week editing period is available for any LEA wishing to revisit their numbers or add optional narrative contextualizing the data for Report Card display. This narrative may be particularly useful for LEAs facing significant changes in their data since last year, since the Report Card displays will show FY 2019 and FY 2020 data side by side. For more information, please refer to the latest resource posted at www.isbe.net/site-based, which provides LEAs [sample visualizations](#) of how the SBER data will appear on the Report Card. The ISBE Site-Based Team is available to answer any questions not addressed by the posted resources during weekly office hours. Sign up for a 15-minute slot at <https://calendly.com/site-based>. Questions may also be directed to site-based@isbe.net.



- **Entity Profile System (EPS)**

- **Accelerated Placement Policies URL – Due Sept. 1**

Districts are required to update their EPS profile with the URL of their district's Accelerated Placement Policy. According to the Accelerated Placement Act, districts are required to post their Accelerated Placement Policy to their website. [View step by step instructions for adding the URL to EPS.](#)

Dive Deeper

- **In Case You Missed It...**

- **Superintendent Signoff Process Overview**

The Report Card Team provided an overview of the Superintendent Signoff Process. Superintendents (or designee of the Superintendent) are required to “Signoff” on their Report Card data prior to publication. The ability to signoff was enabled on Aug. 15 and is due by Sept. 18. This webinar was directed toward District Administrators to walk through the signoff process. View the [presentation](#) and [recording](#).

- **Site-Based Expenditure Reporting Open Forum**

SBER staff addressed common questions and tips for all LEAs as they prepare site-based expenditure data for submission. View the [presentation](#) and [recording](#).

- **2020 Report Card Open Forum # 2**

Report Card Open Forums are held monthly in a webinar format to allow for administrators and staff to ask any questions they may have about data systems, data collections, new features, timelines, etc. related to the 2020 Report Card. View the latest [presentation](#) and [recording](#).



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