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Public Report Card  
Navigation Guide  
2019-2020

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## Public Report Card Access

Public Report cards are generated to allow access to data that have been checked to remove any personally identifiable information. If group sizes are too small to report, an asterisk \* is used to indicate the data are suppressed.

To access the public report cards for districts and schools, go to <https://sdschools.sd.gov> or <https://doe.sd.gov/>. This takes users to the school finder page. From there, users can navigate to report cards by clicking on any of the highlighted areas-school, district or state-or by typing in the name of a district or school in the search box. Past year report cards are available along with data download reports from the top right side of the school finder page.

The screenshot shows the 'South Dakota Report Card 2019-2020' website. At the top, a navigation bar includes links for HOME, SCHOOLS, DISTRICTS, STATE, YEARS, and DATA DOWNLOAD. The main header features the 'South Dakota' logo and the title 'Report Card 2019-2020'. Below the header is an illustration of five children with backpacks looking at various space-themed icons like a rocket, planet, star, astronaut, satellite, and globe. A teal banner below the illustration reads '2019-20 Public School Information'. The page is divided into three main sections: 1. 'What is a Report Card?' (teal box) explaining the report card's purpose. 2. 'FIND YOUR SCHOOL' (white box) with a search bar for school or district names and a link to view prior years' report cards. 3. Three navigation buttons for 'Schools', 'Districts', and 'State', each with an icon and a '< Click to Explore >' button. The footer contains the South Dakota Department of Education logo and the OtisEd logo.

# Navigating the system

## District Report Cards

When navigating the District Report Card, there are many ways to get to information. The red Options button takes users directly to the State Report Card, FAQs and other Accountability documents and reports. The report cards look different this year with the covid-19 messaging.

**COVID-19 Important Note**

The district report card highlights key performance areas that are aligned to South Dakota's school accountability system with our district's vision, mission, and goals set forth by the superintendent working with the Board of Education for the purpose that all students are "on-track" to graduate high school and are prepared to pursue their life goals, enrolling in college or career training to achieving their career aspirations.

**ACADEMICS**

**SCHOOL QUALITY**

**STUDENT PERFORMANCE**

South Dakota's students take the annual state assessments for the subjects of English language arts and mathematics in grades 3-8 and 11, and science in grades 5, 8 and 11. Student Performance measures how well the students performed on the state assessments.

English Language Arts | Mathematics | Science

No data due to COVID-19.

**STUDENT PROGRESS**

This measure shows the progress students have made on the state assessments for English language arts and mathematics since the prior school year. It illustrates whether students are learning and improving.

English Language Arts | Mathematics | English Learners On Track

No data due to COVID-19.

If unsure of the names of schools in a district, click on the About the District Button to get a list of schools in the district with direct links to school report cards, a location map and other summary information about the district, student populations and programs.

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with the South Dakota Department of Education logo, the title "District Report Card 2019-2020", and links for "FIND YOUR SCHOOL" and "OPTIONS". Below the navigation is a COVID-19 Important Note section. A central navigation bar contains tabs for "ACADEMICS" and "SCHOOL QUALITY". Under "ACADEMICS", there are sub-tabs: "OVERALL SCORE", "STUDENT PERFORMANCE", "STUDENT PROGRESS", "HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION", "COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS", and "ENGLISH LEARNERS PROGRESS". Under "SCHOOL QUALITY", there are sub-tabs: "EDUCATOR QUALIFICATIONS", "SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT", and "SCHOOL SAFETY". The main content area is titled "SCHOOL LOCATIONS" and features a table of schools and a map of the area around Sioux Falls, SD.

Schools	Grades Level
	09-12 High
	09-12 High
	09-12 High
	06-08 Middle
	06-08 Middle
	06-08 Middle
	06-08 Middle
	06-08 Middle
	06-08 Middle
	PK-05 Elementary
	PK-05 Elementary
	06-12 Elementary
	PK-05 Elementary
	KG-05 Elementary
	KG-05 Elementary

From the Overall Score page, users can dig into the data on a deeper level by clicking on the individual tabs under Academics and School Quality headings (no SPI data were reported due to covid-19).

This screenshot is similar to the one above but highlights the navigation bar and the "SCHOOL LOCATIONS" section. The "OVERALL SCORE" tab under "ACADEMICS" is highlighted in orange. The "SCHOOL LOCATIONS" section is also highlighted with a black border. The map shows the area around Sioux Falls, SD, with various schools marked by blue pins.

In the Student Performance, Student Progress, and School Environment sections of the report card, users will find that these data are not reported. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, state assessments were not administered and data for student performance, student progress, and school environment are not available for the 2019-20 school year.

**HOW DID STUDENTS PERFORM IN EACH SUBJECT?**

Students take the annual state assessments for English language arts and mathematics in grades 3-8 and 11, and science in grades 5, 8, and 11. These tests measure the concepts and skills taught in the classroom and whether students met the state's grade-level expectations in each subject. The graphs below show the percentage of students who met or exceeded the expectations on the state assessment in each subject.

No data due to COVID-19.

However, when users see a View Details button, it is an indication that more data are available.

**PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT POPULATION**

The information below shows how each population of students performed. It is broken down by group to show whether or not a school is serving all of its students well. When there are gaps for certain groups of students, schools will use that information to understand how they can better serve those groups to ensure that all students are performing at grade level.

English Language Arts

VIEW DETAILS

- FAY STUDENTS
- ALL ASSESSED STUDENTS
- ENGLISH LEARNERS
- STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

When users click on any of the choices displayed on a View Details button, the system will go to an Interactive Analysis dashboard where items may be viewed in either chart or table format. This dashboard contains data from 2017-18, 2018-19, and 2019-20 where available. The dashboard allows users to explore the data using filters. The View Summary page will take the user back to the previous report card page. The View Expanded button will take users to a full page view of the chart or table.

**INTERACTIVE ANALYSIS**

Interactive analysis enables you to quickly explore the data by changing the rows and columns using the filters across the top of the panel. You can view the data as either a chart or a table.

VIEW SUMMARY

VIEW EXPANDED

When using the Interactive Analysis dashboards, users may customize the view by choosing different filters from the drop downs on the page. These filters are available in both chart or table views. One thing to note is that “All” means all subgroups, while “All Students” is a subgroup by itself.

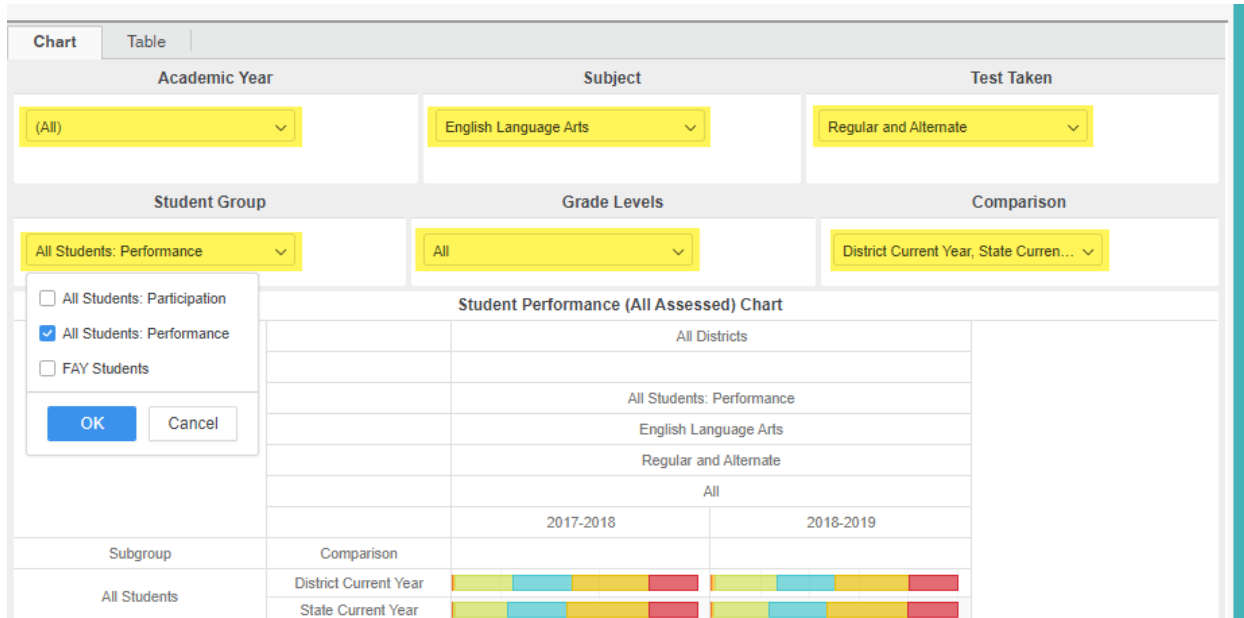


Chart | **Table**

Academic Year: (All) | Subject: English Language Arts | Test Taken: Regular and Alternate

Student Group: All Students: Performance | Grade Levels: All | Comparison: District Current Year, State Current Year

**Student Performance (All Assessed) Table**

Subgroup	Total Students		Number Students Tested		Percent Students Tested		Number Students Not Tested		Percent Not Tested	
	District Current Year	State Current Year	District Current Year	State Current Year	District Current Year	State Current Year	District Current Year	State Current Year	District Current Year	State Current Year
All Students	12611	72325	12556	72009	99.56	99.56	55	316	0.44	0.44
Female	6186	35335	6160	35196	99.58	99.61	26	139	0.42	0.42

# District Data Drill Down Examples

## Step 1 – Choose District

**COVID-19 Important Note**  
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**ACADEMICS** | **SCHOOL QUALITY**

**STUDENT PERFORMANCE**  
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English Language Arts	Mathematics	Science
No data due to COVID-19.		

**STUDENT PROGRESS**  
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English Language Arts	Mathematics	English Learners On Track
No data due to COVID-19.		

**ATTENDANCE AND GRADUATION**  
Attending school regularly is essential for students to progress through each level of their education. Attendance rate is measured for elementary and middle schools. At the high school level, graduation rate and college and career readiness are important indicators of students' readiness to pursue higher education, career, and life beyond high school.

Attendance Rate	High School Completion	College & Career Readiness
No data due to COVID-19.	92%	46%

**EDUCATION SPENDING**  
South Dakota provides the tools for our schools to meet all their financial needs to provide a quality education to all our students. The numbers below provide information about some of the financial details for the district.

Per Pupil Spending	Federal Funding	State and Local Funding
South Dakota will report financial information in the 2019-2020 report cards. Note: Publication is expected January 2021.		

[VIEW DETAILS](#)

\* Data is not shown to prevent the identification of individuals in a small group.

The school report card is just one piece of information, that when combined with a student's individual state test results, and report card grades, gives parents a more accurate picture of their children's academic experience.

[NEXT: STUDENT PERFORMANCE >](#)

## Step 2 – Choose which Indicator to dig into

**ACADEMICS** | **SCHOOL QUALITY**

**OVERALL SCORE** | **STUDENT PERFORMANCE** | **STUDENT PROGRESS** | **HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION** | **COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS** | **ENGLISH LEARNERS PROGRESS** | **EDUCATOR QUALIFICATIONS** | **SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT** | **SCHOOL SAFETY**



Step 3 – Scroll down until a section with View Details appears and choose an area to investigate. Keep in mind that Full Academic Year (FAY) students are the ones the district is held accountable for in the Student Performance measure. All Assessed students include all student who were tested during the testing window. Data can be exported as Excel, PDF, or csv formats.

**PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT POPULATION**

The information below shows how each population of students performed. It is broken down by group to show whether or not a school is serving all of its students well. When there are gaps for certain groups of students, schools will use that information to understand how they can better serve those groups to ensure that all students are performing at grade level.

English Learner Proficiency - SD-ELP

VIEW DETAILS

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**INTERACTIVE ANALYSIS**

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VIEW SUMMARY

VIEW EXPANDED

Chart **Table**

Academic Year: (All) | Grade Level: All Grade Levels | Assessment Type: SD-ELA, SD-ELP | Subgroup: (All) | Measure: Percentage

English Learner Proficiency - SD-ELP

Export

- Excel
- PDF
- Data

	SD-ELP Tested Percentage	SD-ELP Not Tested Percentage	Entering Percentage	Emerging Percentage	Developing Percentage	Expanding Percentage	Bridging Percentage
Subgroup	Value	Value	Value	Value	Value	Value	Value
All Students	86.36	13.64	10.53	15.79	42.11	26.32	5.26

## School Report Cards

School level report cards can be navigated just like the district report cards. There are a few items that are available at the school level that the district level does not have.

On the Overall Score page, data are reported that indicates if a school has been identified for school support. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Overall Score page does not report SPI points or an overall score. and the compare schools option will not return any data.

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**School Report Card 2019-2020**

◀ FIND YOUR SCHOOL COMPARE ▶ OPTIONS ☰

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ABOUT THE SCHOOL FAQ

**Overall Score**  
This school was identified for  
GENERAL SUPPORT

**COVID-19**  
Important Note

Parents are critical partners in a school's success. Just as your child's report card shows how he or she is performing, this school report card shows you how your child's school is performing in multiple areas. It is designed to show the school's strengths in addition to challenges that need to be addressed in order to ensure we are meeting the needs of all students.

The About the School page has information about the school, including the principal's name, school contact information and a location map for the school. The school status information also lets users know if the school participates in a Title I program, the grade levels served by the school, school support status, small or special school status, and the poverty and minority levels. Enrollment, services, and spending information are also available on this page.

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[\(605\) 983-5741](#) [ABOUT THE SCHOOL](#) [FAQ](#)

**Overall Score**  
This school was identified for **GENERAL SUPPORT**

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**ACADEMICS** | **SCHOOL QUALITY**

**OVERALL SCORE** | **STUDENT PERFORMANCE** | **STUDENT PROGRESS** | **ENGLISH LEARNERS PROGRESS** | **EDUCATOR QUALIFICATIONS** | **SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT** | **SCHOOL SAFETY**

**SCHOOL INFORMATION**

**CONTACT INFO**  
(605) 983-5741  
www.arlington.k12.sd.us

**PRINCIPAL**

**SCHOOL STATUS**  
Elementary School  
Grade Levels KG-06  
Title I  
[General Support](#)  
Neither High Nor Low Minority  
Low Poverty

**STUDENT ENROLLMENT**

Enrollment is the official census count of students enrolled in South Dakota's public schools as of the last Friday in September.

**SCHOOL SIZE**

Year	Enrollment
2017-2018	140
2018-2019	135
2019-2020	132

**SCHOOL DIVERSITY**

Race	Percentage
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.00%
Asian	0.00%
Black/African American	0.00%
Hispanic/Latino	6.82%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.00%
Two or More Races	0.00%
White/Caucasian	93.18%

**STUDENTS RECEIVING ADDITIONAL SERVICES**

South Dakota has made it a priority to ensure that the educational needs of all students are met. Schools are provided the tools and additional support in the educational programs designed to meet the needs of students who have historically experienced achievement gaps.

**Preschool Enrollment**  
25

Category	School (%)	State (%)
Economically Disadvantaged	15.00%	35.00%
English Learners	2.00%	5.00%
Foster Care	1.00%	1.00%
Homeless	1.00%	1.00%
Migrant	1.00%	1.00%
Military Connected	1.00%	1.00%
Students with Disabilities	15.00%	15.00%

**EDUCATION SPENDING**

South Dakota is committed to ensure that all schools have the financial support needed to provide quality education to all students attending public schools. The details below are based upon the school district's annual finances.

**Per Pupil Spending** | **Federal Funding** | **State and Local Funding**

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[VIEW DETAILS](#)

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**NEXT: OVERALL SCORE**

## State Report Card

The state report card can be navigated like the school and district report cards and includes a few additional features like the message from the Secretary of Education for South Dakota.

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State Report Card 2019-2020

FIND YOUR SCHOOL

OPTIONS

### ALL DISTRICTS

(605) 773-3134 ABOUT THE STATE FAQ

**COVID-19**  
Important Note

In South Dakota, we want all students to graduate from the K-12 system prepared for college, career and life. To see how our schools, districts and state are progressing towards this aspiration, we annually compile the Report Card you see here. This year's Report Card is abbreviated due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The state test, which fuels much of the data on the Report Card, was not administered in the spring of 2019. Last spring, South Dakota school leaders, teachers and parents were asked to pivot to a remote model of instruction and learning in record time. This year, schools have worked diligently to bring students back into school buildings and to offer options for those who are unable to return. We anticipate being able to deliver the state test this year. It offers valuable data to help us understand where our schools are succeeding and how we can continue to improve outcomes for all students.

Benjamin F. Jones, Ph.D., Secretary of Education

Additional reports not available on the options menus for the school or district report cards are available on the state report card. These reports are Long-Term Goals, School and Educator Equity, and the School Support List. In addition, there is a data download option, which provides data reports for indicators reported on the report card.

FIND YOUR SCHOOL

OPTIONS

- Frequently Asked Questions
- Prior Year Report Cards
- Calculation Guide
- School Improvement
- Long-Term Goals
- School and Educator Equity
- NAEP Report
- Report Card Navigation Guide
- Accountability Tech Manual
- School Support List
- Data Download

## Questions

If users need further guidance, please contact the South Dakota Department of Education at 605-773-3134 or 605-773-6400.