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2023-2024

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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>. 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.



Navigating the system

District Report Cards

When navigating the District Report Card, there are many ways to retrieve information. The red Options button takes users directly to the State Report Card, FAQs and other Accountability documents and reports.

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District Report Card

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

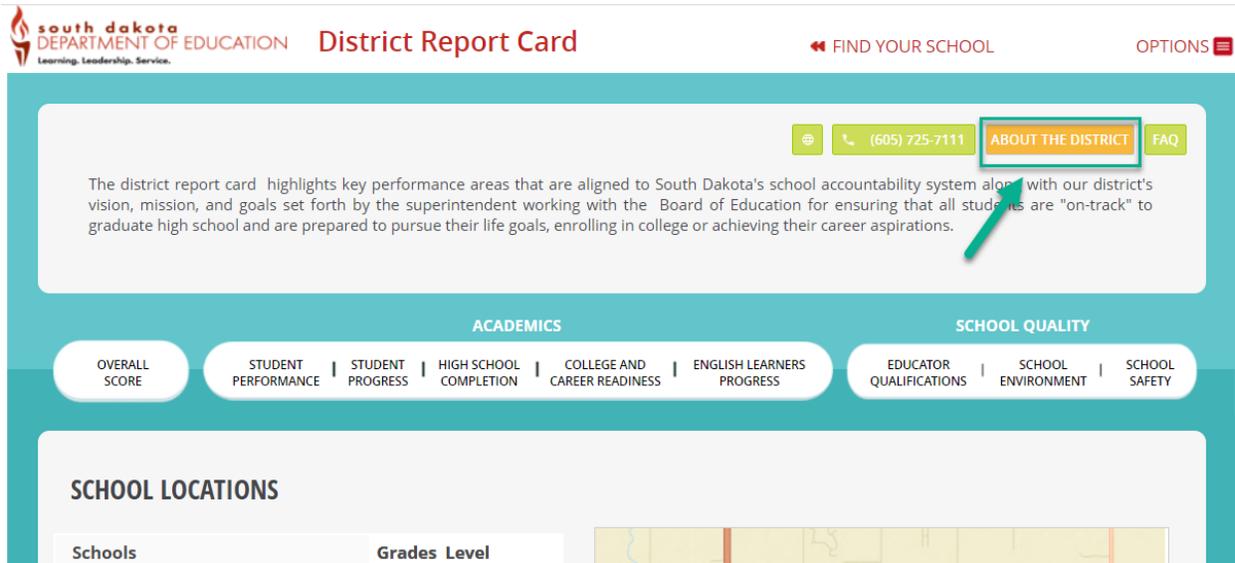
ACADEMICS **SCHOOL QUALITY**

OVERALL SCORE

STUDENT PERFORMANCE | STUDENT PROGRESS | HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETION | COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS | ENGLISH LEARNERS PROGRESS

EDUCATOR QUALIFICATIONS | SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT | SCHOOL SAFETY

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.



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.



Student performance and progress data is available for English Language Arts, Mathematics and Science.

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STUDENT PERFORMANCE

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English Language Arts

Mathematics

Science

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 2021-22, 2022-23 and 2023-24. 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.

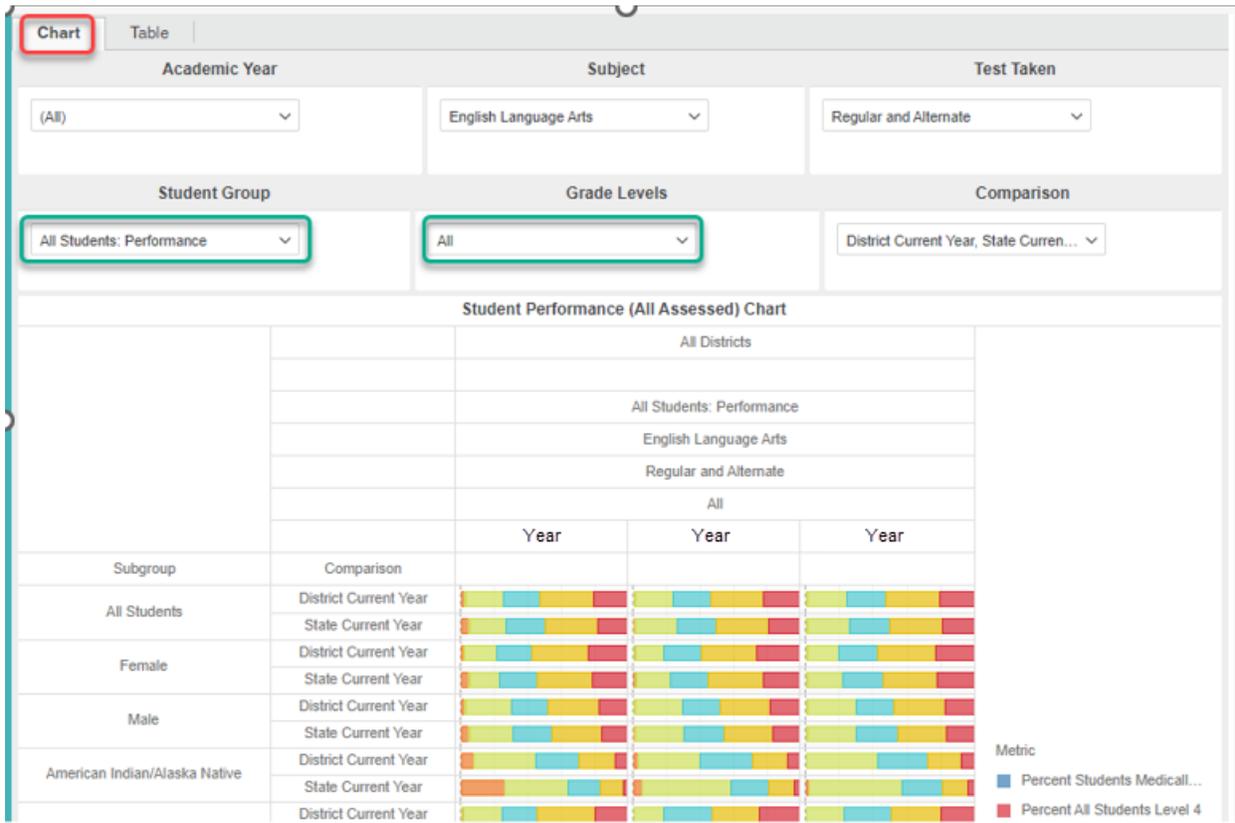
INTERACTIVE ANALYSIS

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 and table views. One thing to note is that “All” means all subgroups, while “All Students” is a subgroup by itself.



The screenshot shows the 'Table' view of the dashboard. The filters are: Academic Year: 2022-2023, Subject: English Language Arts, Test Taken: Regular and Alternate, Student Group: All Students: Performance, Grade Levels: All, and Comparison: District Current Year, State Current Year. The table displays 'Student Performance (All Assessed) Table' with columns for Total Students, Number Students Tested, Percent Students Tested, Number Students Not Tested, and Percent Not Tested.

	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

District Data Drill Down Examples

Step 1 – Choose District

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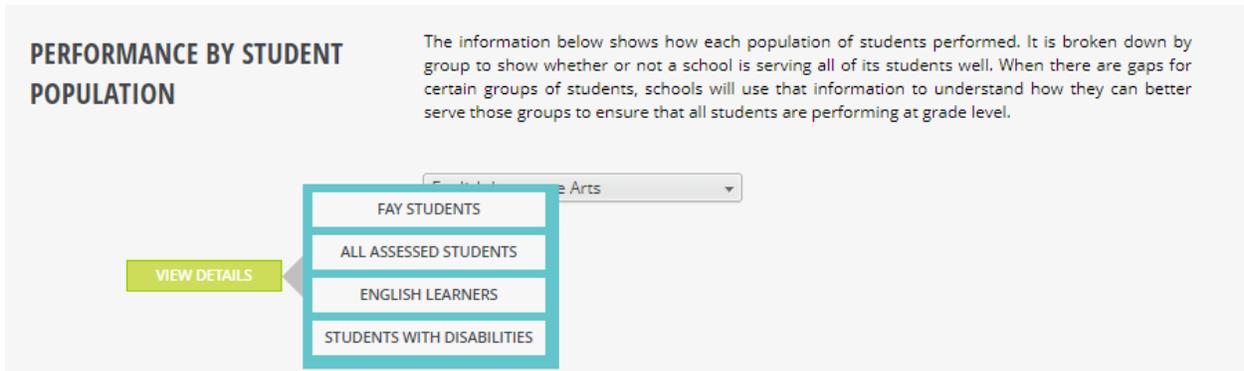
 The school report card is just one piece of information, that when combined with a student's individual state test results, and report card grades, gives parents a more accurate picture of their children's academic experience.

NEXT: STUDENT PERFORMANCE ►

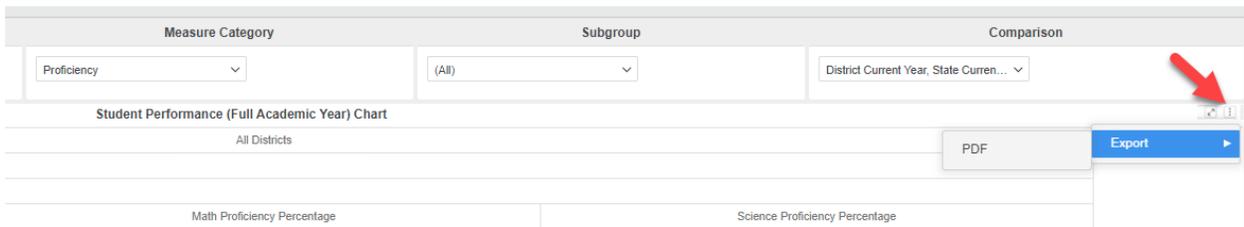
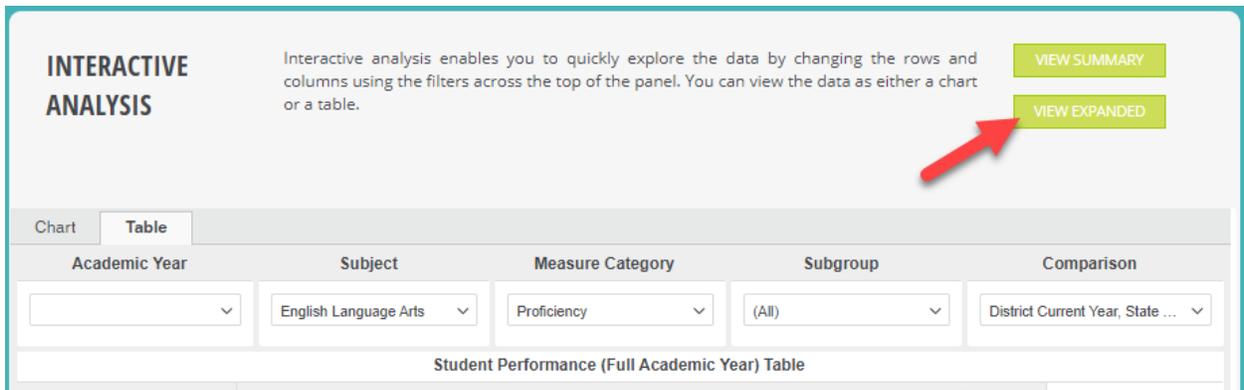
Step 2 – Choose which Indicator to dig into



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 those 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 by clicking the View Expanded button and then by clicking the three small dots in the upper right-hand corner of the table.



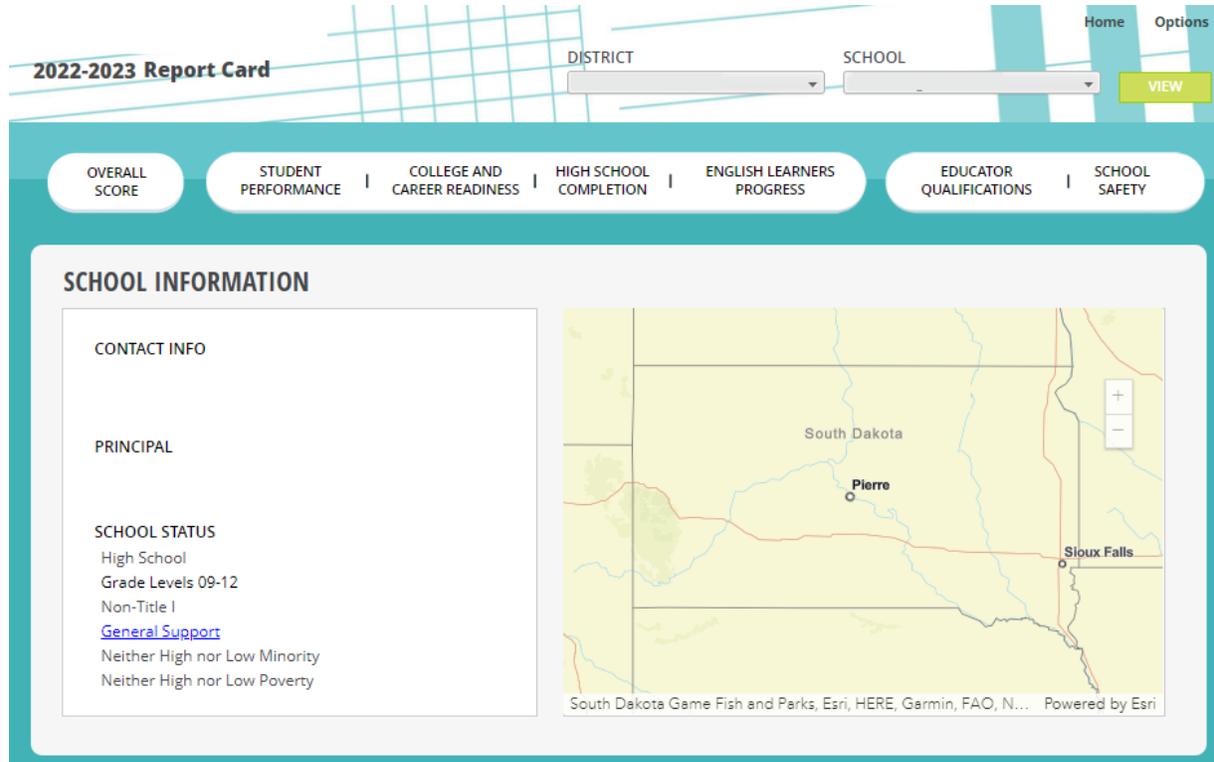
School Report Cards

School level report cards can be navigated the same way as 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.



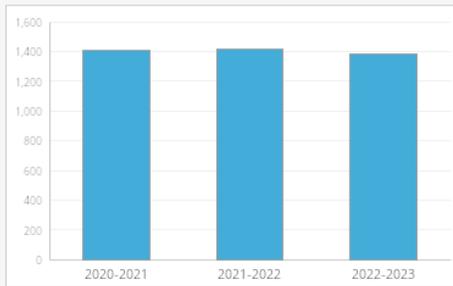
The About the School page has information about the school, including the principal's name, school contact information and a location map for the school. The school status information also lets users know if the school participates in a Title I program, the grade levels served by the school, school support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



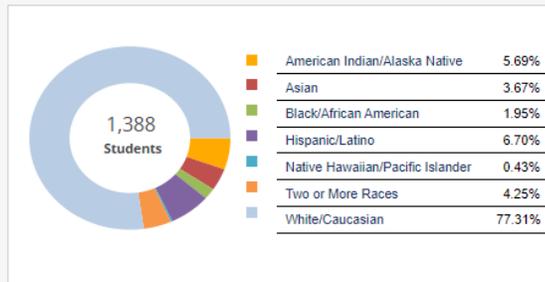
STUDENT ENROLLMENT

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

SCHOOL STUDENT ENROLLMENT

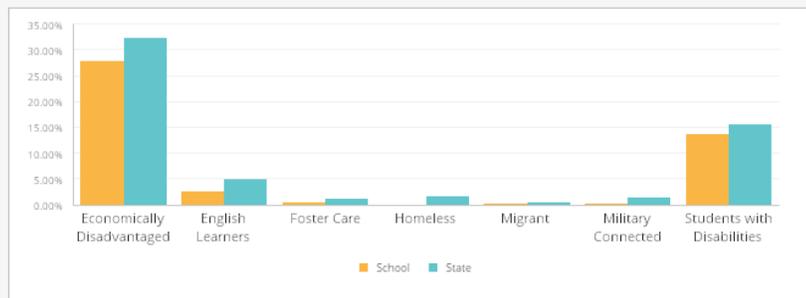


SCHOOL ENROLLMENT DIVERSITY



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.



ADDITIONAL SCHOOL DETAILS

South Dakota's objective is to ensure that all students graduate high school, ready to succeed in college, career and life. High schools have programs to assist all students who need additional support.

Attendance Rate	Chronic Absenteeism Rate	Dropout Rate	Advanced Placement Enrollment
VIEW DETAILS	SURVEY RESULTS		SURVEY RESULTS

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. Expenditures reflect current year spending and may be inclusive of some available federal funding, including COVID-related relief funds.

State Aid Fall Enrollment	Per Pupil Spending	Federal Funding Sources	State and Local Funding Sources
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State Report Card

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

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ALL DISTRICTS

Ⓧ (605) 773-3134 ABOUT THE STATE FAQ

Though 'schooling' has any number of purposes and outcomes, our *raison d'être* (primary aim) is student achievement. Teaching children to read, to master mathematics, to join in the great quest that is Western Civilization, is fundamentally why we are here. Thus, each year we seek to understand just how well we are fulfilling our purpose, at the level of a student, a school, a district, and a state. The Department of Education does so by issuing this annual report card. Hopefully, it will provide the kind of data and information that parents, educators, school boards, and state leadership can use to make informed decisions about our schools and educational system, how to improve it for the benefit of our nation, our state, our

Joseph Graves, Secretary of Education

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Additional reports not available on the options menus for the school or district report cards are available on the state report card. These are reports such as *Access to Qualified Teachers and Data Download*, which provides data reports for indicators reported on the report card.

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Questions

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