

Accredited with Distinction

This is the accreditation category for the district. Districts are designated an accreditation category based on their overall framework score, which is a percentage of the total points they earned out of the total points eligible in each performance indicator. The overall score is then matched to the scoring guide below to determine the accreditation category.

Plan Assignment	Framework Points Earned
Accredited with Distinction	at or above 80%
Accredited	at or above 64% - below 80%
Accredited with Improvement	at or above 52% - below 64%
Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan	at or above 42% - below 52%
Accredited with Turnaround Plan	below 42%

Framework points are calculated using the percentage of points earned out of points eligible. For districts with data on all indicators, the total points possible are: 15 points for Academic Achievement, 35 for Academic Growth, 15 for Academic Growth Gaps, and 35 for Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness.

Performance Indicators	Rating/Plan	% of Points Earned out of Points Eligible*		
Academic Achievement	Exceeds	87.5%	(13.1 out of 15 points)	
Academic Growth	Meets	69.4%	(24.3 out of 35 points)	
Academic Growth Gaps	Meets	64.4%	(9.7 out of 15 points)	
Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness	Exceeds	100.0%	(35 out of 35 points)	
Test Participation**	95% Participation Rate Met			
TOTAL		82.1%	(82.1 out of 100 points)	

* Districts may not be eligible for all possible points on an indicator due to insufficient numbers of students. In these cases, the points are removed from both the points earned and the points eligible, so scores are not negatively impacted.
 ** Districts do not receive points for test participation. However, districts that do not meet the 95% participation rate in two or more subject areas are assigned one accreditation category lower than their points indicate.

Finance Meets requirements
Safety Meets requirements

Districts do not receive points for finance and safety assurances. However, districts that do not meet requirements in at least one area default to Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan (or remain Accredited with Turnaround Plan) until they meet requirements.

What do the performance indicators measure?

Academic Achievement

The Achievement Indicator reflects how a district's students are doing at meeting the state's proficiency goal: the percentage of students proficient or advanced on Colorado's standardized assessments. This Indicator includes results from CSAP and CSAPA (Reading, Writing, Math and Science), and Lectura and Escritura.

Academic Growth

The Growth Indicator measures academic progress using the Colorado Growth Model. This Indicator reflects 1) normative growth: how the academic progress of the students in this district compared to that of other students statewide with a similar CSAP score history in that subject area, and 2) adequate growth: whether this level of growth was sufficient for the typical (median) student in this district to reach an achievement level of proficient or advanced on the CSAP within three years or by 10th grade, whichever comes first.

Academic Growth Gaps

The Gaps Indicator measures the academic progress of historically disadvantaged student subgroups and students needing to catch up. It disaggregates the Growth Indicator into student subgroups, and reflects their normative and adequate growth. The subgroups include students eligible for Free/Reduced Lunch, minority students, students with disabilities (IEP status), English Language Learners, and students needing to catch up.

Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness

The Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness Indicator measures the preparedness of students for college or jobs upon completing high school. This Indicator reflects student graduation rates, dropout rates, and average Colorado ACT composite scores.

Academic Achievement	Points Earned	Points Eligible	% Points	Rating	N	% Proficient/Advanced	District's Percentile
Reading	4	4		Exceeds	4,887	85.4%	92
Mathematics	3	4		Meets	4,884	84.0%	89
Writing	4	4		Exceeds	4,878	70.8%	92
Science	3	4		Meets	1,592	68.2%	88
Total	14	16	87.5%	Exceeds			

Academic Growth	Points Earned	Points Eligible	% Points	Rating	N	Median Growth Percentile	Median Adequate Growth Percentile	Made Adequate Growth?
Reading	3	4		Meets	3,061	55	20	Yes
Mathematics	3	4		Meets	3,066	54	40	Yes
Writing	3	4		Meets	3,060	54	32	Yes
Total	9	12	75.0%	Meets				

Academic Growth Gaps	Points Earned	Points Eligible	% Points	Rating	Subgroup N	Subgroup Median Growth Percentile	Subgroup Median Adequate Growth Percentile	Made Adequate Growth?
Reading	16	20	80.0%	Meets				
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	3	4		Meets	401	46	31	Yes
Minority Students	3	4		Meets	602	52	25	Yes
Students w/ Disabilities	3	4		Meets	231	55	55	Yes
English Language Learners	4	4		Exceeds	69	61	33	Yes
Students needing to catch up	3	4		Meets	452	55	54	Yes
Mathematics	13	20	65.0%	Meets				
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	2	4		Approaching	402	50	52	No
Minority Students	3	4		Meets	605	51	47	Yes
Students w/ Disabilities	2	4		Approaching	232	44	65	No
English Language Learners	4	4		Exceeds	70	60	51	Yes
Students needing to catch up	2	4		Approaching	452	54	69	No
Writing	12	20	60.0%	Approaching				
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	3	4		Meets	401	50	43	Yes
Minority Students	3	4		Meets	604	52	37	Yes
Students w/ Disabilities	1	4		Does Not Meet	231	39	68	No
English Language Learners	3	4		Meets	69	56	39	Yes
Students needing to catch up	2	4		Approaching	888	54	61	No
Total	41	60	68.3%	Meets				

Test Participation	% of Students Tested	Rating	Students Tested	Total Students
Reading	99.6%	95% Participation Rate Met	5,032	5,050
Mathematics	99.7%	95% Participation Rate Met	5,039	5,056
Writing	99.5%	95% Participation Rate Met	5,030	5,053
Science	99.6%	95% Participation Rate Met	1,639	1,645

Academic Achievement	Points Earned	Points Eligible	% Points	Rating	N	% Proficient/Advanced	District's Percentile
Reading	4	4		Exceeds	4,693	85.8%	93
Mathematics	3	4		Meets	4,698	68.8%	89
Writing	4	4		Exceeds	4,692	76.0%	92
Science	4	4		Exceeds	1,623	71.1%	91
Total	15	16	93.8%	Exceeds			

Academic Growth	Points Earned	Points Eligible	% Points	Rating	N	Median Growth Percentile	Median Adequate Growth Percentile	Made Adequate Growth?
Reading	3	4		Meets	4,287	54	17	Yes
Mathematics	2	4		Approaching	4,292	48	49	No
Writing	3	4		Meets	4,286	53	34	Yes
Total	8	12	66.7%	Meets				

Academic Growth Gaps	Points Earned	Points Eligible	% Points	Rating	Subgroup N	Subgroup Median Growth Percentile	Subgroup Median Adequate Growth Percentile	Made Adequate Growth?
Reading	14	20	70.0%	Meets				
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	3	4		Meets	471	53	30	Yes
Minority Students	3	4		Meets	764	53	22	Yes
Students w/ Disabilities	2	4		Approaching	236	46	61	No
English Language Learners	4	4		Exceeds	92	66	28	Yes
Students needing to catch up	2	4		Approaching	628	54	56	No
Mathematics	10	20	50.0%	Approaching				
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	1	4		Does Not Meet	471	39	68	No
Minority Students	2	4		Approaching	765	46	58	No
Students w/ Disabilities	2	4		Approaching	238	44	95	No
English Language Learners	3	4		Meets	92	60	62	No
Students needing to catch up	2	4		Approaching	944	49	89	No
Writing	14	20	70.0%	Meets				
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	2	4		Approaching	470	50	54	No
Minority Students	3	4		Meets	766	53	42	Yes
Students w/ Disabilities	2	4		Approaching	238	44	84	No
English Language Learners	4	4		Exceeds	92	64	50	Yes
Students needing to catch up	3	4		Meets	921	56	77	No
Total	38	60	63.3%	Meets				

Test Participation	% of Students Tested	Rating	Students Tested	Total Students
Reading	99.5%	95% Participation Rate Met	4,832	4,855
Mathematics	99.6%	95% Participation Rate Met	4,836	4,855
Writing	99.5%	95% Participation Rate Met	4,832	4,855
Science	99.3%	95% Participation Rate Met	1,665	1,676

Academic Achievement	Points Earned	Points Eligible	% Points	Rating	N	% Proficient/Advanced	District's Percentile
Reading	3	4		Meets	3,543	84.5%	89
Mathematics	3	4		Meets	3,557	51.9%	89
Writing	4	4		Exceeds	3,543	70.6%	93
Science	3	4		Meets	1,775	70.4%	89
Total	13	16	81.3%	Meets			

Academic Growth	Points Earned	Points Eligible	% Points	Rating	N	Median Growth Percentile	Median Adequate Growth Percentile	Made Adequate Growth?
Reading	3	4		Meets	3,257	49	8	Yes
Mathematics	2	4		Approaching	3,272	53	59	No
Writing	3	4		Meets	3,258	54	22	Yes
Total	8	12	66.7%	Meets				

Academic Growth Gaps	Points Earned	Points Eligible	% Points	Rating	Subgroup N	Subgroup Median Growth Percentile	Subgroup Median Adequate Growth Percentile	Made Adequate Growth?
Reading	13	20	65.0%	Meets				
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	2	4		Approaching	279	42	19	Yes
Minority Students	3	4		Meets	585	46	13	Yes
Students w/ Disabilities	2	4		Approaching	165	45	66	No
English Language Learners	3	4		Meets	68	50	18	Yes
Students needing to catch up	3	4		Meets	450	56	67	No
Mathematics	11	20	55.0%	Approaching				
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	2	4		Approaching	280	49	90	No
Minority Students	2	4		Approaching	588	48	75	No
Students w/ Disabilities	2	4		Approaching	165	54	99	No
English Language Learners	3	4		Meets	68	66	94	No
Students needing to catch up	2	4		Approaching	1,281	52	98	No
Writing	13	20	65.0%	Meets				
Free/Reduced Lunch Eligible	2	4		Approaching	278	49	57	No
Minority Students	3	4		Meets	586	53	38	Yes
Students w/ Disabilities	2	4		Approaching	164	50	96	No
English Language Learners	3	4		Meets	68	56	62	No
Students needing to catch up	3	4		Meets	852	55	86	No
Total	37	60	61.7%	Approaching				

Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness	Points Earned	Points Eligible	% Points	Rating	N	Rate/Score	Minimum State Expectation
Graduation Rate	4	4		Exceeds	1,697	91.6%	80%
Dropout Rate	4	4		Exceeds	11,640	0.7%	At/below state average
Colorado ACT Composite	4	4		Exceeds	1,648	22.5	Above state average
Total	12	12	100.0%	Exceeds			

Test Participation	% of Students Tested	Rating	Students Tested	Total Students
Reading	98.2%	95% Participation Rate Met	3,630	3,698
Mathematics	98.5%	95% Participation Rate Met	3,644	3,699
Writing	98.1%	95% Participation Rate Met	3,630	3,699
Science	98.0%	95% Participation Rate Met	1,828	1,865
Colorado ACT	98.1%	95% Participation Rate Met	1,648	1,680

Scoring Guide for Performance Indicators on the District Performance Framework Report

Performance Indicator	Scoring Guide	Rating	Point Value	Total Possible	Framework Points	
Academic Achievement	<i>The district's percentage of students scoring proficient or advanced was:</i>					
	• at or above the 90th percentile of all districts.	Exceeds	4	16 (4 for each content area)	15	
	• below the 90th percentile but at or above the 50th percentile of all districts.	Meets	3			
	• below the 50th percentile but at or above the 15th percentile of all districts.	Approaching	2			
• below the 15th percentile of all districts.	Does Not Meet	1				
Academic Growth	<i>If the district meets the median adequate student growth percentile and its median student growth percentile was:</i>			12 (4 for each content area)	35	
	• at or above 60.	Exceeds	4			
	• below 60 but at or above 45.	Meets	3			
	• below 45 but at or above 30.	Approaching	2			
	• below 30.	Does Not Meet	1			
	<i>If the district does not meet the median adequate student growth percentile and its median student growth percentile was:</i>					
	• at or above 70.	Exceeds	4			
	• below 70 but at or above 55.	Meets	3			
Academic Growth Gaps	<i>If the student subgroup meets the median adequate student growth percentile and its student growth percentile was:</i>			60 (5 for each subgroup group in 3 content areas)	15	
	• at or above 60.	Exceeds	4			
	• below 60 but at or above 45.	Meets	3			
	• below 45 but at or above 30.	Approaching	2			
	• below 30.	Does Not Meet	1			
	<i>If the student subgroup does not meet the median adequate student growth percentile and its student growth percentile was:</i>					
	• at or above 70.	Exceeds	4			
	• below 70 but at or above 55.	Meets	3			
Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness	<i>Graduation Rate: The district's graduation rate was:</i>			12 (4 for each sub-indicator)	35	
	• at or above 90%.	Exceeds	4			
	• above 80% but below 90%.	Meets	3			
	• at or above 65% but below 80%	Approaching	2			
	• below 65%.	Does Not Meet	1			
	<i>Dropout Rate: The district's dropout rate was:</i>					
	• at or below 1%.	Exceeds	4			
	• at or below the state average but above 1%.	Meets	3			
	• at or below 10% but above the state average.	Approaching	2			
	• at or above 10%.	Does Not Meet	1			
	<i>Average Colorado ACT Composite: The district's average Colorado ACT composite score was:</i>					
	• at or above 22.	Exceeds	4			
• at or above the state average but below 22.	Meets	3				
• at or above 17 but below the state average.	Approaching	2				
• at or below 17.	Does Not Meet	1				

Cut-Points for each performance indicator

	Cut Point: The district earned ... of the points eligible on this indicator.	
Achievement;	• at or above 87.5%	Exceeds
Growth; Gaps;	• at or above 62.5% - below 87.5%	Meets
Postsecondary	• at or above 37.5% - below 62.5%	Approaching
	• below 37.5%	Does Not Meet

Cut-Points for accreditation category

	Cut Point: The district earned ... of the total framework points eligible.	
Total Framework Points	• at or above 80%	Distinction
	• at or above 64% - below 80%	Accredited
	• at or above 52% - below 64%	Improvement
	• at or above 42% - below 52%	Priority Improvement
	• below 42%	Turnaround

Cut-points for district accreditation categories

	Plan description	
Accred. w/ Distinction	The district is Accredited with Distinction.	A district may not be accredited with a Priority Improvement and/or Turnaround Plan for longer than a combined total of five consecutive years before the State Board of Education is required to restructure or close the district. The five consecutive years commence on July 1 during the summer immediately following the fall in which the district is notified that it is Accredited with a Priority Improvement or Turnaround Plan.
Accredited	The district is Accredited.	
Accred. w/ Impr. Plan	The district is Accredited with an Improvement Plan.	
Accred. w/ Priority Impr. Plan	The district is Accredited with a Priority Improvement Plan.	
Accred. w/ Turnaround Plan	The district is Accredited with a Turnaround Plan.	

Reference

Comparison Data

Academic Achievement

Percent of Students Proficient or Advanced by Percentile Cut-Points - 1-year (2010)

	Reading			Math			Writing			Science		
	Elem	Middle	High	Elem	Middle	High	Elem	Middle	High	Elem	Middle	High
N of Schools	175	165	167	176	165	167	175	165	167	133	135	138
15th percentile	59.3	58.9	57.1	58.0	34.5	18.3	38.5	42.4	32.9	29.5	28.6	30.3
50th percentile	71.5	70.5	71.5	70.5	50.0	32.2	54.7	56.4	48.6	48.0	45.6	48.9
90th percentile	84.4	83.6	84.8	84.6	68.8	52.1	69.7	72.3	67.6	69.7	69.1	70.4

Percent of Students Proficient or Advanced by Percentile Cut-Points - 3-year aggregate (2008-10)

	Reading			Math			Writing			Science		
	Elem	Middle	High	Elem	Middle	High	Elem	Middle	High	Elem	Middle	High
N of Schools	181	182	183	181	182	182	181	182	183	172	175	179
15th percentile	60.4	56.6	57.6	56.8	36.4	17.8	41.4	41.8	33.8	32.9	30.0	31.4
50th percentile	72.2	69.2	71.3	70.4	49.1	30.5	55.8	56.8	49.7	47.5	46.8	49.2
90th percentile	85.2	81.5	83.8	83.4	65.3	48.0	71.0	70.9	67.7	66.5	65.9	67.3

Academic Growth and Academic Growth Gaps

Decision tree to determine which scoring guide to use for Academic Growth and Academic Growth Gaps



Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness

State Average (Mean) Dropout Rate

	N of Students	Mean Dropout Rate
1-year (2009)	416,953	3.6
3-year (2007-09)	1,238,096	3.9

State Average (Mean) Colorado ACT Composite Score

	N of Students	Mean Score
1-year (2010)	51,438	20.0
3-year (2008-10)	151,439	20.1

1-year vs. 3-year report

Districts receive a 1-year and a 3-year aggregated District Performance Framework report. CDE produces a report on the basis of three years of data to enable more districts to be considered within the same performance framework. Some small districts may not have public data on the basis of a single year because of small N counts for some performance indicator metrics, but a report on the basis of three years of data increases the N count.

Only one of the two sets of results (1-year or 3-year) is the one that will be the official accreditation category for the district: the one under which the district has ratings on a higher number of the performance indicators, or, if it has ratings for an equal number of indicators, the one under which it received a higher total number of points. Note that some 3-year reports may be based on only two years of data if that is the only data available. This is indicated on page 1.