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STAR Framework At A Glance

The DC School Report Card gives DC families a look into every public school in the District. As outlined in DC's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) plan, the report card shares each school's rating on the School Transparency and Reporting (STAR) Framework. The DC School Report Card, along with the STAR Framework, is a step toward a more transparent, equitable District of Columbia education system, allowing families and educators to better advocate for their students and schools.

WHAT'S IN THE STAR FRAMEWORK?

The STAR Framework uses multiple types of data to measure a school's performance in the following areas:

Academic Achievement
Measures student performance on PARCC, MSAA and the SAT.

Academic Growth
Measures student progress on PARCC.

English Language Proficiency
Measures the progress of English learners in speaking, listening, reading and writing in English.

Graduation Rate
Measures how many students receive their regular diploma in four years.

School Environment
Measures chronic absenteeism, daily attendance, and re-enrollment of students from one year to the next. For high schools, it also measures extended graduation rates and student participation and performance on the AP and IB exams. For schools with Pre-K, it includes measures of early childhood learning.

HOW IT WORKS

In the development of the STAR Framework, OSSE recognized the importance of measuring multiple areas of school performance. The STAR Framework weights areas differently based on the grades served by the school. A table of those weights within the framework by school type is listed below.

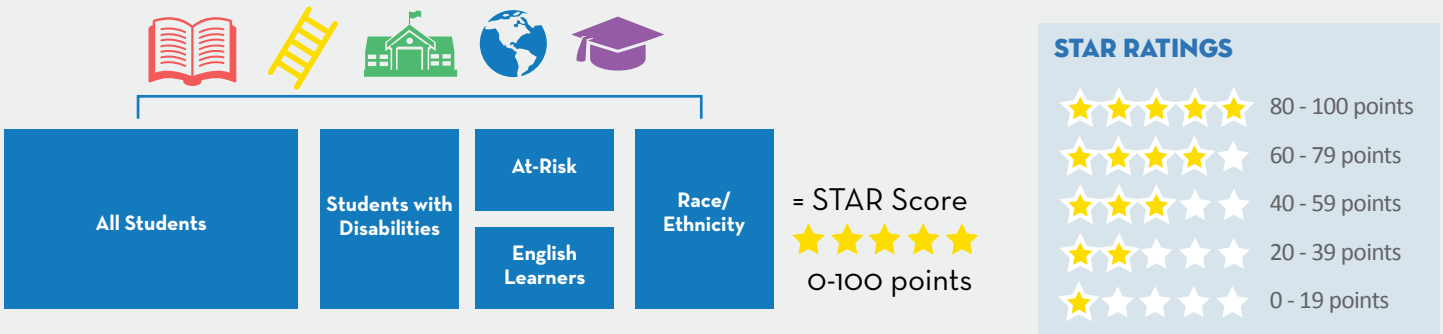|	Academic Achievement	Academic Growth	School Environment	English Language Proficiency	Graduation Rate
Elementary/Middle	30pts	40pts	20pts	5pts	N/A
High	40pts	N/A	39pts	5pts	11pts

HOW IT IS CALCULATED

The STAR Framework first measures a school's performance for all students in each of the applicable metrics. Schools earn points based on their students' performance compared to students across the city.

To ensure that schools are publicly accountable for educating DC's most vulnerable students, the STAR Framework then measures performance for:

- Students with Disabilities
- Students Who Are At Risk
- English Learners
- Each Racial/Ethnic group

Schools earn points based on how students in each of these groups perform relative to similar students.

The overall score and rating is calculated by combining the school's overall performance in serving all students and performance in serving each student group. The STAR Framework totals these points to assign the school a rating from 1 to 5 stars.

All Students	Students with Disabilities	At-Risk / English Learners	Race/Ethnicity	= STAR Score

STAR Score 0-100 points

STAR RATINGS

	Points
★★★★★	80 - 100 points
★★★★☆	60 - 79 points
★★★☆☆	40 - 59 points
★★☆☆☆	20 - 39 points
★☆☆☆☆	0 - 19 points

HOW ARE STAR RATINGS USED?

- Celebrate Successes: The variety of measures helps to identify strong performance, highlight what is working well, and build off existing best practices.

- Plan: The DC School Report Card provides schools with a transparent tool which shows school performance across many areas, including the STAR Framework. Use this tool when engaging with your school in setting goals and tracking success.

- Support Schools: Use additional resources and funding to support schools in addressing areas with significant performance gaps and other areas where they need help.

- Focus Discussions: Understanding school performance helps parents and school leaders in discussions about the school's areas for improvement, analyze the success of current practices, and highlight opportunities to collaborate with others.

WHAT DOES A STAR RATING MEAN?

Schools earn a STAR rating based on the percentage of points they earn out of the available points in the framework. For example, a school with a 5 star rating has earned between 80 - 100 percent of all possible points. This school is among the highest performing schools in multiple areas and likely has both high achievement and growth on the state test for ELA and math. A school with a 1 star rating is earning less than 20 percent of all possible points and likely has low performance in several areas.

WHAT TO EXPECT

The STAR Framework score and data is included in the DC School Report Card that OSSE releases annually. Additional resources are available at www.osse.dc.gov/dcschoolreportcard. If you have additional questions, please email osse.builddcsreportcard@dc.gov.