

The Annual Performance Report (APR), published by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), provides data about the individual performance of local education agencies (LEAs). The APR is based upon the standards and indicators in the Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP) 6. Ultimately, scores from the APR are used to inform accreditation classification determinations made by the Missouri State Board of Education (State Board) or charter renewals that are authorized by the State Board.

The following features in MSIP 6 enhance the meaningfulness of the APR. MSIP 6:

- differentiates the performance of public schools and districts along a continuum;
- provides accessible and actionable information about schools and districts;
- empowers local boards of education to improve and innovate by including a Continuous Improvement component;
- emphasizes the importance of academic performance by holding public schools equally accountable for status and growth; and
- focuses on the preparation and well-being of each student at all levels.

The 2024 APR is the third generated under MSIP 6 and will be used to inform district classification recommendations. This year's report will feature a composite score report based on data from the 2022, 2023, and 2024 APR.

Frequently Asked Questions

APR

What is the APR?

The APR measures the extent to which LEAs and individual school buildings meet or make progress toward the [MSIP standards and indicators](#), using multiple measures of academic performance and continuous improvement. The APR helps to distinguish LEA and school performance. It is one tool DESE uses to review the performance and continuous improvement efforts of LEAs and buildings, and it serves as an important component of recommendations for accreditation classification of LEAs and authorization of charter renewals.

What should I know about MSIP 6?

The 2024 APR is the third generated under the sixth iteration of MSIP, the state's improvement and accountability system. It evaluates districts and charter schools using the MSIP 6 standards and indicators, which were developed through engagement with Missouri education stakeholders. The APR includes multiple measures of academic performance and continuous improvement. Several of these measures were phased in through the first three years. See **Table 1** below for details. The [MSIP 6 Comprehensive Guide](#) contains detailed information about the standards and indicators and the scoring of MSIP 6.

How will this year's APR differ from the 2023 APR?

The 2024 APR reflects the same MSIP 6 standards and indicators in the 2023 APR. It also includes updates to scoring; see the [MSIP 6 Comprehensive Guide](#) for details and **Table 1** below for a summary of the updates.

2024 Updates to MSIP 6 Scoring

Topic	Change to Scoring Outlined in the <i>MSIP 6 Comprehensive Guide</i>
Academic Achievement Growth	Assignment of points for floor designation will increase from 0 to 3
Success-Ready Students	Use of lagged College and Career Readiness data
Response to Standards	8 points will be included for 2023-2024 APR calculation

Table 1

What is Academic Achievement?

Academic Achievement reflects students’ knowledge and ability to demonstrate grade- and course-specific learning expectations established by the Missouri Learning Standards (MLS). Two separate APR metrics evaluate LEAs and schools on Academic Achievement: Status and Growth.

What does Achievement Status mean?

Status reflects a measurement of the LEA’s or school’s level of achievement based upon performance on required tests in the Missouri Assessment Program (MAP). It can help answer the question “Are all students achieving at high levels?”

What does Achievement Growth mean?

MSIP 6 measures Achievement Growth to quantify the extent to which the LEA or school contributes to student learning. It can help answer the question, "Is the LEA or school helping its students improve over time?"

What information is included in the APR?

The APR includes summary information about key indicators such as academic achievement, academic growth, attendance, school readiness, student readiness for the next academic level and beyond, graduation rates, and local improvement planning. See the [MSIP 6 Comprehensive Guide](#) for details and **Table 2** for a breakdown of measures. Additionally, this year’s APR will also feature a composite score and will include APR data from 2022, 2023, and 2024.

What is the composite score?

The composite score represents three years of averaged APR data. The APR Composite Percent is not a simple average of the individual yearly scores; instead, each indicator is scored by summing the points earned and dividing by three. The points earned for each indicator are then summed to determine total points earned. Points possible is calculated in the same way. These totals are used to calculate the percentage for the 3-year composite APR.

MSIP 6 APR Score Breakdown¹

Category	Sub-Category Percentage of Overall Score	Category Percentage of Overall Score
Achievement: Status		24%
Overall (All Students)	16%	
Student Group	8%	
Achievement: Growth		24%
Overall (All Students)	16%	
Student Group	8%	
Success-Ready²		10%
Graduation Rate		10%
Follow-Up		2%
Improvement Planning		21%
Continuous School Improvement Plan (CSIP)	15%	

Response to Standards	4%	
Climate and Culture Survey	2%	
MSIP Required Documentation		3%
Success-Ready²		6%

Table 2

¹Represents 2024 APR scoring for K-12 LEAs (see [MSIP 6 Comprehensive Guide for K-8 APR Score Breakdown](#)).

²Success-Ready metrics are included in performance and continuous improvement.

Accreditation Classification

How is the composite APR used in accreditation classification decisions?

The composite APR compiles MSIP 6 data and creates a score for each LEA using the metrics and processes outlined in the [MSIP 6 Comprehensive Guide](#). The LEA's composite APR score is then used in conjunction with other statutory requirements to inform accreditation classification decisions.

When will LEAs be classified using the MSIP 6 APR?

The MSIP 6 composite APR will inform classification recommendations after two consecutive composite scores are available. Since 2022 was the pilot year for MSIP 6, under statute this data cannot be used to lower an LEA's classification. **Table 3** illustrates the timeline for future composite scoring.

2022 APR*	2023 APR	2024 APR	2025 APR	2026 APR
Composite 1				
	Composite 2			
			Composite 3	

Table 3

*Results from the 2022 APR shall not be used to lower the classification (Section 161.855.4, RSMo).

Will the State Board classify LEAs in the interim? What about this year?

Yes, the State Board classifies LEAs each year. In 2024, the State Board will consider recommendations for accreditation classification based on compliance with state and federal law, superintendent certification, local board member orientation and training, and financial status.

How is the APR used to evaluate charter schools?

Charter sponsors consider charter schools' APR when making contract, renewal, and probation decisions. DESE and the State Board will review APRs when evaluating charter sponsors.

State School Innovation Waiver

With this year's APR release, we also see the first draft of an alternate APR, created under Missouri's first approved State School Innovation Waiver Plan.

What should I know about the alternate APR?

- It is an experimental design created by LEAs seeking to reflect performance of LEAs that are implementing personalized learning and competency-based education strategies.
- It will be revised each year during the period authorized by the State Board of Education under the State School Innovation Waiver program.
- It will be released only for LEAs authorized under the program.
- Participating LEAs are using it as their primary way to report performance.

- The alternative APR shows LEA's performance through a combination of data and descriptive narrative, with the goal of promoting deeper understanding of performance on key indicators.
- Over time, experiences with the alternate APR will inform the design of the next iteration of the Missouri School Improvement Program (MSIP).

Resources

How is the APR released?

The APR will be available to the public on DESE's website. LEAs will have an opportunity to review a secure version of their APR in the Missouri Comprehensive Data System (MCDS) portal in advance of the public release.

Where can I find the 2024 APR?

[Instructions for access to the APR can be found here.](#)

How is the Alternate APR released?

Links to the alternate APR will be available to the public on DESE's website.

Where can I find the 2024 Alternate APR?

[Instructions for access to the APR can be found here.](#)

The public APR data may be viewed in two ways:

- The tabular version of the APR and supporting data are available through the [Missouri Comprehensive Data System](#) portal.
- [Click here to access the easy-to-read visual representations of the APR.](#)

What if I have more questions?

We encourage you to review the [MSIP 6 Comprehensive Guide](#) for detailed descriptions of the elements and scoring in the APR. If you need more information, please contact the School Improvement section in the Office of Quality Schools at msip@dese.mo.gov or 573-751-4426.

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