Getting to Know the California School Dashboard

The California School Dashboard (www.caschooldashboard.org) is an online tool designed to help communities across the state access important information about K-12 districts and schools. The Dashboard features easy-to-read reports on multiple measures of school success. The Dashboard is just one step in a series of major shifts in public education, changes that have raised the bar for student learning, transformed testing, and increased the focus on equity.

10 Indicators of School Success

State Indicators

- **SIX** indicators allow for comparisons across schools and districts.
  - High School Graduation Rate
  - Academic Performance
  - Suspension Rate
  - English Learner Progress
  - Preparation for College/Career
  - Chronic Absenteeism

- Based on information collected statewide.

- Results for all districts, all schools, and all defined student groups (e.g., ethnic groups, low income, English learners) with more than 30 students.

- Schools and districts receive **one of five color-coded performance levels** on each of the six state indicators.

  - **Blue** (Highest)
  - **Green**
  - **Yellow**
  - **Orange**
  - **Red** (Lowest)

- The color and amount that the circle is filled are two ways of showing the performance level. For example, Green will always have four segments filled and Red will always have one segment filled.

- The overall performance level is based on how current performance (status) compares to past performance (change).

Local Indicators

- **FOUR** indicators based on information collected by school districts, county offices of education and charter schools.
  - Basic Conditions
    - Teacher qualifications
    - Safe and clean buildings
    - Textbooks for all students
  - Implementation of Academic Standards
  - School Climate Surveys
  - Parent Involvement and Engagement

- Districts receive **one of three performance levels** on the four local indicators based on whether they have collected and reported local data.
  - Met
  - Not met
  - Not met for two or more years

- School and student group information is not available for local indicators.

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The California School Dashboard provides four different reports that allow custom views of school success. Users can also look at performance of all student groups on a single indicator by clicking on that indicator. Clicking on a single student group shows the performance of that student group across all six state indicators.

4 Reports Provide Custom Views of School Success

- Equity Report
- Status/Change Report
- Detailed Reports
- Student Group Report

Equity Report

- Shows:
  - The performance of all students on the state indicators
  - The total number of student groups for each state indicator
  - The number of student groups in the Red/Orange performance levels
  - Performance on local measures (school district level only)
- Allows selection of information by indicator

Status/Change Report

- Shows for each state indicator:
  - All student performance
  - Status (Current Performance)
  - Change (Difference from Past Performance)

Detailed Reports

- Shows information about performance over time on state indicators
- Shows the locally collected performance information on the local indicators
- Organized into three categories:
  - Academic Performance
  - School Conditions and Climate
  - Academic Engagement

Student Group Report

- Shows the performance of all students and each student group on the state indicators
- Allows selection of student groups by performance level
  - Blue/Green (i.e., meeting standards)
  - Yellow
  - Red/Orange

More information at: www.caschooldashboard.org