

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL 1882

By: Waldron

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to schools; amending 70 O.S. 2021, Section 1210.545, which relates to Oklahoma School Testing Program annual reports; prohibiting annual report from assigning grades to school sites and school districts; striking grading scale; deleting exceptions; modifying indicators to include in annual report; removing grade weights; eliminating inclusion of chronic absenteeism; deleting obsolete language; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 70 O.S. 2021, Section 1210.545, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1210.545 A. Except as otherwise provided, as part of the accountability system developed as provided for in Section 1210.541 of this title, the State Board of Education shall prepare annual reports of the results of the Oklahoma School Testing Program which describe student achievement in the state, and each school site, pursuant to the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) as reauthorized by P.L. No. 114-95, also known as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), and any related federal regulations.

1 B. ~~The Beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, the annual~~  
2 ~~report as required pursuant to subsection A of this section shall~~  
3 ~~identify not assign school sites as having one of the following~~  
4 ~~grades for each indicator, separately, and by a single overview~~  
5 ~~grade of all indicators, defined according to rules of the State~~  
6 ~~Board of Education:~~

7 1. ~~"A" means schools making excellent progress;~~

8 2. ~~"B" means schools making above average progress;~~

9 3. ~~"C" means schools making satisfactory progress;~~

10 4. ~~"D" means schools making less than satisfactory progress;~~

11 and

12 5. ~~"F" means schools failing to make adequate progress or~~  
13 ~~school districts any grades.~~

14 C. ~~Each school that has students who are tested and included in~~  
15 ~~the school grading system as provided for in this section shall~~  
16 ~~receive a school grade, except as follows:~~

17 1. ~~A school shall not receive a school grade if the number of~~  
18 ~~students tested and included in the school grading system is less~~  
19 ~~than the minimum sample size necessary for statistical reliability~~  
20 ~~and prevention of the unlawful release of personally identifiable~~  
21 ~~student data. The State Board of Education is directed to establish~~  
22 ~~the lowest minimum sample size necessary to meet the requirements of~~  
23 ~~this paragraph; and~~

1       ~~2. The academic performance of students who are enrolled full-~~  
2 ~~time in an online program that is offered by a school district or~~  
3 ~~charter school that is not the district of residence or is not~~  
4 ~~located in the district of residence of the student shall be~~  
5 ~~reported separately by the school district or charter school and~~  
6 ~~shall not be included when determining the grade of the school site~~  
7 ~~or charter school.~~

8       ~~D.~~ The State Board of Education may adopt alternate systems of  
9 accountability for statewide virtual charter schools, alternative  
10 education programs as defined in Section 1210.568 of this title, and  
11 schools serving only grades prekindergarten or kindergarten through  
12 two.

13       ~~E.~~ D. The ~~grade~~ annual report of a school shall be based on a  
14 multimeasures approach to accountability, in accordance with ~~the~~  
15 ~~Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) as~~  
16 ~~reauthorized by P.L. No. 114-95, also known as the Every Student~~  
17 ~~Succeeds Act (ESSA) and any federal regulations,~~ that include, but  
18 are not limited to, the following indicators:

19       1. Statewide assessments, including the establishment of  
20 student performance bands;

21       2. Graduation rates for high schools;

22       3. Statewide academic measures for elementary and middle  
23 schools;

24       4. English language proficiency for English learners; and

1       5. ~~At least one additional statewide measure of school quality~~  
2 ~~or student success, including, but not limited to, school~~ School  
3 ~~climate, school safety, student engagement, educator engagement,~~  
4 ~~and/or advanced coursework and postsecondary readiness.~~

5       ~~F. Of the indicators included in subsection E of this section,~~  
6 ~~not less than seventy percent (70%) of the overview grade must be~~  
7 ~~given to indicators 1, 2, 3 and 4 and, in the aggregate, with not~~  
8 ~~more than thirty percent (30%) of the grade given to indicator 5.~~

9       ~~G. E.~~ Further, the ~~grade~~ annual report of an elementary or  
10 middle school site shall include, but not be limited to, a measure  
11 of status for English ~~language arts~~ Language Arts (ELA), math and  
12 science, growth in ELA and math, and English Language Proficiency  
13 Assessment (ELPA) progress, ~~and chronic absenteeism.~~

14       ~~H. F.~~ The ~~grade~~ annual report of a high school site shall  
15 include, but not be limited to, a measure of status for English  
16 ~~language arts~~ Language Arts (ELA), math and science status, English  
17 Language Proficiency Assessment (ELPA) progress, graduation rate,  
18 ~~chronic absenteeism,~~ and postsecondary opportunities. For purposes  
19 of this section postsecondary opportunities shall include Advanced  
20 Placement, International Baccalaureate, dual and concurrent  
21 enrollment, internships, mentorships and apprenticeships, and  
22 industry certifications. The Board shall adopt a time line for  
23 moving from completion of such opportunities to crediting  
24 achievement of such opportunities.

1        ~~F.~~ G. The annual report shall identify the performance of each  
2 school as having improved, remained the same, or declined. This  
3 school improvement rating shall be based on a comparison of the  
4 student and school performance data of the current year to the  
5 previous year data.

6        ~~F.~~ H. The State Department of Education shall annually develop  
7 a school site report ~~card~~ to be delivered to parents throughout each  
8 school district. The annual report ~~card~~ shall ~~be in accordance with~~  
9 ~~the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of~~  
10 ~~1965 (ESEA), as reauthorized and amended by P.L. No. 114-95, also~~  
11 ~~known as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and includes the~~  
12 ~~grade for the school,~~ include information regarding school  
13 improvement, an explanation of school performance, and indicators of  
14 return on investment. The annual report ~~card~~ for each school site  
15 shall be published annually by the Department on its website, and  
16 every school district shall provide the school site annual report  
17 ~~card~~ to the parent or guardian of each student enrolled ~~in~~ at the  
18 school site. ~~In order to provide information regarding school~~  
19 ~~performance for school report cards issued during the 2016-2017 and~~  
20 ~~2017-2018 school year, the Department shall include an explanation~~  
21 ~~of the changes to the statewide system of student assessments as~~  
22 ~~required in Section 1210.508 of this title and how the transition in~~  
23 ~~assessments may impact school performance. The Department shall~~

1 ~~issue school report cards using the 2016-2017 school year assessment~~  
2 ~~data that is available.~~

3 ~~K.~~ I. The Legislature may factor in the performance of schools  
4 in calculating any performance-based funding policy that is provided  
5 to public school districts.

6 ~~H.~~ J. The State Board of Education shall promulgate rules to  
7 implement the provisions of this section.

8 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2023.

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