

Virginia's Current "Achievement" Indicators

Most of Virginia's "achievement" indicators do not measure the percentage of students in a school who are proficient because they use a "combined rate."

Accreditation Indicators for All Schools

1. Academic Achievement: Mathematics – uses a combined rate
2. Academic Achievement: English (reading and writing) – uses a combined rate
3. Achievement Gap: Mathematics– uses a combined rate
4. Achievement Gap: English (reading and writing) – uses a combined rate
5. Academic Achievement: Science – does not use a combined rate
6. Chronic Absenteeism

Accreditation Indicators for High Schools Only

1. Graduation and Completion Index (GCI)
2. Dropout Rate
3. College, Career, and Civic Readiness Index (CCCRI)

How are the "Achievement" Indicators Measured?

English

- In grades 3-8 in English, the combined rate gives schools credit (in the numerator) for:
 - Students who pass the state assessment in Reading.
 - Students who pass the state assessment in Writing (grade 5 and 8 only).
 - Students who fail the Reading assessment but show sufficient growth (based on changes in their vertical scale score from the prior year assessment).
 - English learners who fail the Reading assessment and do not show growth, but show progress towards proficiency in English on the English language proficiency assessment.
- In high school English, the combined rate gives schools credit (in the numerator):
 - Students who pass the End of Course (EOC) exam in Reading.
 - Students who pass the EOC exam in Writing.
 - English learners who fail the EOC Reading exam but show progress towards proficiency in English on the English language proficiency assessment.
- Students can be counted twice in the denominator of the combined rate if they take both reading and writing assessments (and up to two times in the numerator based on their results).
- Students are counted twice in the denominator and numerator if they pass a recovery test.

Math

- In grades 3-8 in math, the combined rate gives schools credit (in the numerator) for:
 - Students who pass the state assessment in math.
 - Students who fail the math assessment but show sufficient growth (based on changes in their vertical scale score from the prior year assessment).
- In high school math, only students passing an End of Course math exam are included in the numerator.
- Students are counted twice in the denominator and numerator if they pass a recovery test.

Science

- For all grade spans, only students passing state assessments in science are included in the numerator.