

ESSA General Business Rules

General Rules Applied to ELA/Reading, Mathematics, and Science Indicators

Rule	Participation	Reporting	Long-term Goals	School Performance Grades
Partial Enrollment Required for Inclusion				✓
Participation rule Denominator Adjustment Applied (Reading/Math assessments only)	N/A	✓	✓	✓
Used for Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI)/Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) identification				✓
Used Current year End of Course (EOC) scores	✓	✓		✓
Used scores at a specific grade level for EOCs (i.e., grade 10 or grade 11)	✓	✓	✓	
Requires a minimum number of students (minimum-N) for inclusion	N/A	10	30	30
ELA/Reading, Mathematics and Science uses levels 3, 4, and 5 (Grade Level Proficient)	N/A	✓		✓
ELA/Reading, Mathematics and Science uses levels 4 and 5 (College and Career Ready)	N/A	✓	✓	
Accountability subgroup designations	✓	✓	✓	✓
Additional subgroups of Military, Academically or Intellectually Gifted (AIG), homeless and foster	✓	✓		
First or second year in U.S. school English Learner (EL) students (proficiency or standard met)	✓	✓		
Math in Middle School	EOG & EOC combined	Separate and combined	EOG & EOC combined	EOG & EOC combined

General Rules Applied to Cohort Graduation Rate and Math Course Rigor (MCR) Indicators

Rule	Reporting	Long-term Goals (CGR ONLY)	School Performance Grades
Partial Enrollment Required for Inclusion (MCR Only)			✓
Used for TSI/CSI Identification			✓
Requires a minimum-N for inclusion	10	30	30
Accountability subgroup designations	✓	✓	✓
Additional subgroups of Military, AIG, homeless and foster	✓		
First or second year in U.S. school EL students (standard met – CGR and MCR only)	✓	✓	✓
First or second year in U.S. school EL students (standard met – AWA only)	✓	N/A	

General Rules Applied to the English Learner (EL) Progress Indicator

Rule	Reporting	Long-term Goals	School Performance Grades
Partial Enrollment Required for Inclusion			✓
Used for TSI/CSI Identification			✓
Requires a minimum-N for inclusion	10	30	30
Accountability subgroup designations	✓	✓	✓
Additional subgroups of Military, AIG, homeless and foster	✓		
Grade levels included	K-13	K-13	3-8, 10

General Rules Applied to the Growth Indicator

Rule	Reporting	School Performance Grades
Partial Enrollment Required for Inclusion	✓	✓
Used for TSI/CSI Identification		✓
Uses current year EOC scores	✓	✓
Requires a minimum-N for inclusion	10	30
Accountability subgroup designations	✓	✓
Additional subgroups of AIG and homeless	✓	
Second year in U.S. schools EL students (Growth) – Growth is not calculated for students in their first year in U.S. schools	✓	✓
Math in Middle School	Separate and combined	EOG & EOC combined

