

6 Things to Know About Academic Achievement



What is academic achievement?



Academic achievement is defined as the number of students scoring at a performance level of 3 or 4 (meeting or exceeding state expectations) on the Maine Education Assessments (MEAs).

Why is academic achievement important?



Maine's strategic plan aims for students to graduate from high school workplace ready; academic achievement is a cornerstone of the state's accountability system.

Why is Maine tracking academic achievement?



The federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires that each state have an accountability system that includes academic achievement as an indicator of school progress and success.

What is Maine's target for success?



Each individual student population, where there are more than ten students, has a target to increase academic achievement 20% by 2030.

Where does the data come from?



Academic achievement data comes from the Maine Education Assessments (MEAs). For grades three through eight, this data is from the eMPowerME assessments in mathematics and ELA and the SAT provides data for students in their 3rd year of high school.

How will it look on the school report card?



The school will receive a performance measure in ELA and mathematics related to how individual student populations are meeting state achievement expectations.