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Accountability Combination School Fact Sheet: 2015-16 School Performance

As principals lead their schools, from planning to reflection, understanding the accountability system and incentives within it is critical.

Combination School: School Performance Score

Performance Score	Component of Performance	Weighting in SPS Formula	
Elementary	Student Achievement	K-7: 100% PARCC/LEAP/ILEAP/LAA1	
		K-8: 95% PARCC/LEAP/ILEAP/LAA1	
	High School Preparation and Transition	K-8: 5% Dropout/Credit Accumulation Index	
High School	Student Achievement	25% End-of-Course Exams/LAA1	
		25% ACT	
	College and Career Readiness	25% Cohort Graduation Rate	
		25% Strength of Diploma (Graduation Index)	
		K-8 Progress Points (ELA and Math)	
Student Improvement		High School Progress Points (ACT Series – EXPLORE –	
		PLAN – ACT)	

Planning Considerations:

- Combination schools (a school with grades from both K-8 and high school) receive a score from a weighted average of the SPS from the K-8 grades and the SPS from the high school grades.
 - o The K-8 SPS is weighted by the number of students eligible to test during the spring test administration.
 - The high school SPS is the weighted sum of:
 - Assessment units from students who are initial testers for EOC + the students eligible to test on the ACT (students count only once)
 - Cohort graduation units from the number of members of the cohort
 - o Progress points, from either K8 or high school, are added (not weighted), with a maximum of 10 points.
- Example:

K-8 Weight	K-8 SPS	High School Weight	High School SPS	Progress Points Earned (total)	Final SPS
100 testers	75.0	200 testers/cohort	125.0	5.0	113.3
		members			

Additional Information and Resources

- Calculator to estimate school performance scores and plan
- Accountability Overview Webinar for additional information
- High School Planning Guide
- Jump Start Fact Sheet

