

# BULLETIN BOARD

## 2014-2015 Annual Education Reports: What Board Members Need to Know

The Annual Education Report provides detailed information about the status of education in Michigan's public schools. Intended to help the public get a clear understanding of the performance of schools, the report provides the following information on teacher quality, student achievement and additional accountability elements for schools, districts and the state overall:

- **Teacher Qualifications:** Identifies teacher qualifications in relation to requirements.
- **Student Assessment:** Presents assessment information for English language arts and mathematics for grades 3 to 8 and 11, and science for grades 4, 7 and 11, compared to targets for all students, as well as subgroups of students.
- **Accountability Scorecard:** Uses information from assessments, graduation and attendance rates to determine if the school and district are meeting accountability targets.

School districts are generally required to report information related to the Annual Education Report late in the school year and early summer. School boards then review the compiled information and the report is made available to the general public via school district websites, Michigan's MI School Data website and paper copies made available in school districts. School board trustees need to know that exceptions have been made for 2015.

The Michigan Department of Education has delayed and made changes to these reporting requirements for 2015 due to the changes in assessment:

- **Timing:** MDE anticipates that the data necessary for the creation of the Annual Education Report may not be available for districts until December 2015.
- **Accountability:** Data for the 2014-2015 school year will not include school-/district-level proficiency targets or final accountability outcomes due to Michigan's transition from the MEAP to the M-STEP assessment.

MDE will provide further guidance on compilation of the Annual Education Report when assessment data is available. Full accountability information will resume being a part of the Annual Education Report starting with 2015-2016 data.



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[http://michigan.gov/documents/mde/Annual\\_Education\\_Reports\\_488797\\_7.pdf](http://michigan.gov/documents/mde/Annual_Education_Reports_488797_7.pdf)  
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