## Overview

The School Performance Reports reflect the New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) commitment to providing parents, students, and school communities with a large variety of information about each school and district. These reports can be used as a tool to help evaluate whether all students have equitable access to high quality education. We encourage you to use these reports to:

- Learn more about the school and the district
- Start conversations with school community members and ask questions
- Engage with school communities to identify where schools are doing well and where they can improve

## **Important Notes for 2021-22 Reports:**

The 2021-22 School Performance Reports include nearly all data that was previously reported prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, such assessment results and accountability data. However, the 2021-22 reports will not include student growth as measured by median student growth percentiles (mSGPs) because individual student growth percentiles (SGPs) were not calculated for the 2021-22 school year due to lack of prior test results for the 2019-20 and 2020-21 school years. The student growth section of the reports will include a link to an alternate measure of academic progress that will be used for accountability determinations for the 2021-22 school year.

As data over the last three years was impacted by the pandemic in various ways, the NJDOE recommends caution in comparing data from year to year.

## **School Performance Report Resources:**

The NJDOE has several resource documents that can help you understand and use the School Performance Reports, which can also be found under the "Resource Documents" link at the top of the page:

- One-page guides to help start conversations for <u>administrators</u>, <u>educators</u>, <u>elementary</u>, and <u>middle and</u> high school families
- Reference Guide with details on all the data in these reports
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Understanding Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rates
- Understanding Student Growth Percentiles
- <u>Data Privacy Rules</u> (why you see \*'s and N's in the reports)

Let the NJDOE know how we can improve future reports by taking our <u>feedback survey</u>. Contact <u>reportcard@doe.nj.gov</u> with any questions about the reports