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# MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** February 11, 2022

**TO:** MEMBERS, State Board of Education

**FROM:** TONY THURMOND, State Superintendent of Public Instruction

**SUBJECT:** Update on the Implementation of the Integrated Local, State, and Federal Accountability System: Schools Eligible for Support Under the Every Student Succeeds Act.

## Summary of Key Issues

States are required under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) to determine which schools were eligible for Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI) and Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) based on the criteria in their ESSA State Plan. For the past two school years, many state and federal accountability requirements were waived or adjusted due to the impact of the 2019 novel coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic on local educational agencies (LEAs), schools, and students.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, California received a federal accountability waiver of identification of schools in 2019 and 2020. As a result, schools designated as eligible for CSI and ATSI in 2018–19 remained in place through 2020–21 with the exception of those schools with a three-year school-wide average graduation rate at or above 68 percent for the 2017–18, 2018–19, and 2019–20 school years which exited the CSI – Low Graduation Rate Schools category. The CDE did not make any changes to the ESSA assistance status for those schools that were eligible for CSI – Low Performing or ATSI in 2020-21.

In January 2022, the 2021–22 ESSA Assistance files were posted and are available at <https://www.cde.ca.gov/sp/sw/t1/essaassistdatafiles.asp>.

Table 1 provides a breakdown of schools remaining in or exiting CSI – Graduation Rate.

## Table 1: Summary Results of Schools Remaining In and Exiting CSI – Graduation Rate Determination Status

| **Schools Remaining in CSI** **– Graduation Rate** | **Schools Exiting CSI** **– Graduation Rate** |
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| 180 | 105 |

Table 2 shows the number of schools eligible for CSI – Graduation Rate by charter school status.

## Table 2: Summary Results of Schools Eligible for CSI – Graduation Rate by Charter School Status

| **Number of Non-Charter Schools** | **Number of Charter Schools** |
| --- | --- |
| 139 | 41 |

Table 3 shows the number of schools eligible for CSI – Graduation Rate by Dashboard Alternative School Status (DASS) status.

## Table 3: Summary Results of Schools Eligible for CSI – Graduation Rate by DASS Status

| **Number of Non-DASS Schools** | **Number of DASS Schools** |
| --- | --- |
| 29 | 151 |