Equity is at the heart of California’s accountability system.

The California School Dashboard (Dashboard) identifies performance gaps among student groups through its equity reports, which are available for each state measure. These reports shine a light on both the successes and challenges that county offices, districts, and schools are experiencing in addressing disparities. They also highlight those schools that are implementing promising practices in narrowing gaps between student groups.

The equity report shows the number of student groups placed in each performance level for a particular state measure. For the 2022 Dashboard, performance levels will be reported using one of five Status levels (Very High, High, Medium, Low, and Very Low) for all reported state measures* based on the 2021–22 school year data.

Below is a sample data card for the English Language Arts (ELA) measure for the Academic Indicator.

In the sample data card provided, the school had 10.4 points above standard in the current year, thus placing the school at a High performance level.

The equity report referenced towards the bottom of the card shows that two student groups received a Status of Very Low (the lowest performance level for this indicator), five student groups received a Status of Low, none of the student groups received a Status of Medium, three student groups received a Status of High, and one student group received a Status of Very High (the highest performance level for this indicator).

By default, the student group numbers in the equity report reflect the information for All Students in a school or district. This information can also be accessed at the state level by selecting the State button above the bar graph.

For detailed information about each student group (such as performance levels and current year data results) for each measure, select View More Details at the bottom of the card.

*The following state measures are reported on the 2022 Dashboard:
- Academic: ELA and Mathematics
- Chronic Absenteeism Rate
- English Learner Progress
- Graduation Rate
- Suspension Rate

For more information, please visit the California Department of Education California School Dashboard and System of Support web page at https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/cm/index.asp.

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