

**Glossary:**

Below is a simplified glossary of terms used to calculate A-F School Report Card grades. For a full description of how grades were calculated, go to <http://ok.gov/sde/sites/ok.gov.sde/files/A-FGuide.pdf>.

**Student Achievement:** Student performance on the Oklahoma State Testing Program (OSTP) exams administered during the most recent school year. Every content area is included -- reading, mathematics/Algebra I (depending on grade level), science, social students/geography/U.S. history (depending on grade level), and writing.

**Performance Index:** The performance index was calculated by awarding a point value to a student test score based on the proficiency level achieved. A point value of 0.2 for “Limited Knowledge”, 1 point for a proficiency level of “Satisfactory” or “Proficient”, and a point value of 1.2 for a proficiency level of “Advanced” was awarded for every test administered. The points were summed and divided by the total number of exams to create a performance index. All calculations were rounded to the nearest whole number.

**Overall Student Growth/Bottom Quartile Growth:** The Student Growth section is divided into two sub- categories; growth of all students in a school and growth of the bottom twenty-five percent of students in a school. The student growth section includes OSTP Reading and Math exams only (Grades 3-8 OCCT Reading and Mathematics, Algebra I EOI, English 2 EOI). Students identified in the first section will be paired with a previous reading or math score to evaluate growth. The paired scores must come from similar versions of the exam. For example, a modified exam must be compared with a modified exam, a regular exam compared to a regular exam, and a portfolio assessment compared to a portfolio assessment. If one of the sub-categories cannot be calculated, the remaining category will carry a full third of the weight in the final grade.

**Whole School Performance:** The Whole School Performance section includes educational statistics, which promote the Achieving Classroom Excellence (ACE) and College, Career, and Citizen Readiness (C3) initiatives adopted by the State of Oklahoma. Items included in these calculations include student attendance rate, dropout rate, graduation rate, advanced course participation and performance, college entrance exam participation and performance, college remediation rates, cohort graduation rate for low-performing eighth-grade students, five plus year graduation rate, participation in ACE graduation criteria curriculum, and staff and patron survey data. Some data are not yet available and will be added as they become available.

**Final Grade:** A letter grade of A, B, C, D, or F will be awarded for each category (Student Performance, Overall Growth, Bottom 25% Growth, and Whole School

Improvement) and subsequently combined to award a final letter grade for a school. The Overall GPA will be calculated by assigning a point value to each letter grade, multiplying the point by the weight of the section it represents, and summing the weighted points for the overall GPA. A letter grade of "A" is worth 4 points, "B" is worth 3 points, "C" is worth 2 points, "D" is worth 1 point, and "F" is worth 0 points. An overall GPA of 3.75 or above will be awarded a letter grade of "A", 2.75 to 3.74 a "B", 1.75 to 2.74 a "C", .75 to 1.74 a "D", and anything below a 0.75 is an "F".