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What's New in 2021

The Michigan Department of Education (MDE) has contracted with EVAAS to provide Value-Added reports for districts and schools as well as for teachers in participating districts. With the release of the 2020-21 reporting, there have been a few changes, which are noted in this document.

2019-2020 Assessment Data Not Available

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there was only 2020 teacher-level value-added reporting for MAP Math and Reading for opt-in districts. There were no other district, school, and teacher value-added measures displayed for the 2019-20 school year.

Two-Year Growth Measures for Gain Model Subjects

District, school, and teacher value-added measures for 2020-21 were created across a two-year period, instead of one, because there was limited testing in the 2020 school year.

Updates to District and School Diagnostic Reports

District and School Diagnostic reports have a fresh new look and user-friendly design. The following documents in the EVAAS online Help provide detailed information about these redesigned reports:

<https://mi.sas.com/support/EVAAS-MI-DRRd-New-Features-Flyer.pdf>

<https://mi.sas.com/support/EVAAS-MI-DRRd-Desk-Reference.pdf>

Teacher Reporting

For teachers from districts that have opted in for three years, teacher composites now include three years of data where available.

Teacher reporting is determined by the districts that opt in via the Michigan Data Hub, and there might be new districts opting in for 2021. For districts interested in opting in next year, see <https://www.midatahub.org/Core/Stories/Permalink/sas-evaas-for-k-12/> or contact support@midatahub.org.

District or School Multi-Year Averages Not Calculated

Due to inconsistent student participation, multi-year averages for district and school value-added measures by subject and grade were not created.

Changes to Projections

All projections for assessments assume the 2019 average schooling experience, and projections to grade-level assessments are made to one grade out.

Grade 4 Reporting Not Calculated

This year's fourth graders do not have prior state assessment scores since the state assessments were canceled in third grade due to the pandemic. As a result, grade 4 reporting is not available, and EVAAS will not display 2020-21 individual subject and grade measures for District, School, or Teacher Value-Added reports in grade 4.

M-STEP Science Assessment

The M-STEP Science assessment returned in 2021 in grades 5, 8, and 11 for district and school reporting measures as well as M-STEP Science projections.