

SCHOOL-WIDE GROWTH IS –

- Based upon student growth as measured by the school-wide score on the state’s summative assessment exam.
- Weighed as five (5) percent of the summative evaluation rating for individual professional educators in West Virginia.

Which content areas within the state’s summative exam are used to determine School-wide Growth?

- School-wide Growth is determined using student performance results from the Reading-Language Arts and Mathematics portions of the state’s summative assessment.
- Both the Reading-Language Arts and Mathematics are each assigned an equal weighting (2.5%) within the overall five (5) percent weighting given to the School-wide Growth component.

How is a School-wide Growth score determined for an individual school?

- 1) Examine students by grade and by content for the state
- 2) Identify the amount of growth for each student in each grade across the state (this number is referred to as Student Growth Percentile).
- 3) Identify all of the students in a school
- 4) Group all students in a school together, regardless of grade
- 5) Take the median (middle) growth percentile of all students in a school for each of the content areas

How are the Performance Levels which result from School-wide Growth assigned to schools?

- There are three (3) categories used in the identification of growth:
 - » Low Growth
 - » Typical Growth
 - » High Growth
- In order to accommodate the four (4) Performance Levels used in the Educator Evaluation System, the “Low Growth” category has been divided into two:
 - » Unsatisfactory Rating = Very Low Growth
 - » Emerging Rating = Low Growth
 - » Accomplished Rating = Typical Growth
 - » Distinguished Rating = High Growth

Do individual schools add their own School-wide Growth data into the Educator Evaluation System?

- No. School-wide growth data is calculated by the State Department of Education once results from the state’s summative assessment are available.
- After the growth data is calculated, the State Department of Education inputs the growth data and Performance Level Rating into the Educator Evaluation System for each school.