

# Introducing

## New PARENT DASHBOARD for School Transparency

Michigan has adopted a new way to provide transparency about its public schools! The new online Parent Dashboard shows the performance of every public school in Michigan, including public school academies—also known as charter schools.

Families and others can use the dashboard to get a more complete picture of how their child's school is serving students. They also can use the Dashboard to compare a school's performance with the average performance of other similar Michigan schools.

State Board of Education members commissioned the Parent Dashboard because they believe that all Michigan residents deserve to easily discover how well public education is serving their children.

### The new easy-to-use Parent Dashboard:

- was designed with parents to show school information they say is important, and enhanced by ongoing parent feedback
- provides one easy location where parents and caregivers can view **building-level** information and data
- can be accessed on any computer or mobile device
- offers a more balanced picture of school quality, since it contains information about more than just test scores

### Information in the Parent Dashboard:

- includes nearly 20 different factors—or measures—that parents say are important to them
- comes from data that are already collected from schools
- can be viewed for a whole school, or viewers can dig deeper to see performance for certain groups of students
- can inform decisions and encourage richer conversations about school progress—with students, with other parents, with school leaders, and within communities

Check out the new Parent Dashboard for School Transparency at [www.MISchoolData.org/ParentDashboard](http://www.MISchoolData.org/ParentDashboard)

*Your ideas can make the Parent Dashboard even better! Send feedback to [MDE-ParentDashboard@michigan.gov](mailto:MDE-ParentDashboard@michigan.gov).*

