NEW YORK STATE ESSA ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM Reimagine Phase Accountability Fact Sheet Identification and Exit Criteria Elementary/Middle and High School Levels



Beginning with the 2025-26 school year (SY), the New York State Education Department (NYSED) will use modified identification and exit criteria for the elementary/middle (EM) and high school (HS) levels for the Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI), Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI), Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI), and Local Support and Improvement (LSI) support models, and for Target Districts.

Identification of Support Models Identification Frequency Support models at the subgroup, school, and district level are identified every three years or annually as seen in the continuum below: DISTRICTS

CSI		ATSI	.,	TSI		LSI		Target District
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IDENTIFIED EVERY THREE YEARS				IDENTIFIED ANNUALLY				
(i.e, 2025-26, 2028-29 SYs)			(i.e., 2025-26, 2026-27, 2027-28 SYs)					

Identification Criteria Scenario Tables						
EM Level Identification Scenario Table						
Scenario	Weighted Average Achievement	Core Subject Performance	Student Growth	English Language Proficiency (ELP)	Attendance	
1	Level 1	Level 1		At Least One Level 1		
2	Level 2	Level 1	Level 1	Level 1 or 2 or None		
3	Level 1	Level 1	Level 2	Either L	evel 2	

HS Level Identification Scenario Table						
Scenario	Weighted Average Achievement	Core Subject Performance	Graduation Rate	ELP	Attendance	College, Career, and Civic Readiness (CCCR)
1	Level 1	Level 1	Level 1	At Least One Level 1		
2	Level 1 or 2	Either	Level 1	At Least One Level 1		
3	3 Level 1 Either Level 1			Level 1 or 2 or None Level 1 or 2		

Identification Criteria

Support model identifications will be made based on accountability indicator levels using the EM or HS level identification scenario tables and identification criteria below.

CSI Identification	TSI Identification			
 CSI identifications will be made using Scenarios 1 and 2, and Scenario 3 if needed to identify a minimum of 5% of the lowest performing Title I schools. A school will be identified for CSI if its All Students group meets any of these scenarios. A HS will be identified for CSI if its All Students group has a 4-year Graduation Rate lower than 67% and 5-year and 6-year Graduation Rates not at or above 67%. 	 TSI and Potential TSI (PTSI) identifications will be made using Scenarios 1 and 2 only. A subgroup must meet TSI identification criteria for three consecutive years to be identified for TSI. In the first and second years of meeting TSI identification criteria, a subgroup will be identified for PTSI. 			
 A subgroup identified for ATSI that meets any of these scenarios will be identified for CSI. 	 A district with any component school identified for CSI, ATSI, or TSI will be identified for Target 			
ATSI Identification	District support.			
 ATSI identifications will be made using the same 	LSI Identification			
 scenarios used to make CSI identifications. A subgroup identified for TSI that meets any scenario used to identify for CSI will be identified for ATSI. 	Subgroups not identified for CSI, ATSI, TSI, or PTSI, schools not identified for CSI, ATSI, or TSI, and districts not identified for Target District support will be identified for LSI.			

Exit Criteria for Removal from Support Models

Subgroups, schools, and districts **can exit their support models** and be identified for LSI if they meet their support model's exit criteria in the **second SY after initial identification or any SY thereafter**.

CSI/ATSI Exit Criteria

- Does not meet identification criteria
- One of the following is higher than at the time of identification:
 - Weighted Average Achievement Index
 - Core Subject Performance Index
 - Graduation Rate
- For high schools identified for CSI for Graduation Rate, the 4-, 5-, or 6-year cohort's Graduation Rate is 67% or higher

Want to know more?

For more tools and resources about the New York State ESSA Accountability System, visit the NYSED School and District Accountability Resources and Data website.



https://www.nysed.gov/accountability/ school-and-district-accountabilityresources-and-data To learn more about resources and supports for identified schools and districts, visit the NYSED Office of Accountability's Continuous Improvement website.



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- TSI/PTSI Exit Criteria
- Does not meet identification criteria

Target District Identification

 Has no component school(s) identified for CSI, ATSI, or TSI