



Gasconade County R-I Celebrates 2018 APR Results

The Gasconade County R-I School District has earned 120 out of the 120 points possible on the 2018 Annual Performance Report (APR) as established by the Missouri State Board of Education. The district earned all 40 of 40 points possible for Academic Achievement and 10 of 10 points for Subgroup Achievement. For College and Career Readiness, the district earned 30 of the 30 possible points. In addition, the district earned 10 points of the 10 possible points for Attendance Rate and 30 of the 30 possible points for Graduation Rate. This performance places Gasconade County R-I in the elite group of schools across the state, with 100% of the points required for full accreditation.

Each year the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) releases the Annual Performance Report (APR) for each public school district in Missouri to provide a snapshot of how each district is performing. DESE's primary goal is that all students will graduate high school with skills necessary to help them succeed in college, career and life. To measure progress towards this goal and district performance, DESE computes an APR score using the following MSIP 5 Performance Standards: Academic Achievement, Subgroup Achievement, College and Career Readiness, Attendance Rate and Graduation Rate. Districts earn a percentage score based on points earned out of the possible points to determine the district accreditation status.

The scores for each category are earned through some combination of "status", "progress" and "growth" points. The status points are earned by averaging the performance of the three most recent years. This averaging ensures consistent performance over time. Progress points are earned based on the improvement shown by the district in each content area assessed. Growth points are earned based on individual student improvement in English Language Arts and Mathematics assessments over time.

The Gasconade County R-I School District earned a total APR score of 100% for 2018. This APR score is up from 96.1% in 2017. The efforts of the dedicated faculty, staff and administration of the Gasconade County R-I School District are reflected in the most recent APR results. According to Maranda Anderson, Director of Curriculum and Assessments, "the district is extremely pleased with the growth noted in ELA and mathematics in both academic achievement and subgroup achievement categories as it shows the district is significantly exceeding growth predictions in both content areas. It is a main goal for the district to grow each student as much as possible by providing the individual supports needed to maximize success." The district was very pleased to earn all points possible in each of the five performance standards measured.

While there has been a lot of instability in the Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) and learning standards the past six years, the Gasconade County R-I school district continues to strive to improve and remain focused on the growth of each student. "I am very excited about the future of our district as we are determined to prepare our students for success through our collaborative efforts," said Maranda Anderson. The district knows there is still much work to be done on this journey of preparing an exceptional education for each student and is prepared to continue to set high expectations and monitor growth towards meeting this goal. For more information visit: <https://apps.dese.mo.gov/MCDS/home.aspx>