

ACCOUNTABILITY STATUS RANKINGS 2010 - 2011 SCHOOL YEAR BY SCHOOL DISTRICT MS DEPT. OF EDUCATION DATA

WHAT THIS MAP SHOWS:

This maps shows the new MS Dept. of Education Accountability Status ratings for each school district that were released Sept. 10, 2010.

The Accountability Status rankings are based on 3 primary factors:

1. Quality Distribution Index (QDI) cut scores;
2. Whether Growth goals have been met; and
3. Graduation and School Completion rates.

The new standards and benchmarks are being phased in over a 4-year period. This means that the benchmarks and standards will be raised each year until Mississippi ratings are aligned with the ratings of schools across the nation.

The ratings are divided into 6 categories. Below are the number of districts in each category and the percentage of total districts:

- Star (3 Districts = 2%)
 - High Performing (24 = Districts 16.1%)
 - Successful (50 Districts = 33.6%)
 - Academic Watch (35 Districts = 23.5%)
 - At Risk of Failing (31 Districts = 20.8%)
 - Failing (6 Districts = 4%)
- Total school dists in dataset, excluding the Agricultural High Schools: 149

67 districts - 45% - are ranked LESS THAN Successful.

The red abbreviations in each school district identify the accountability rating for that school district.

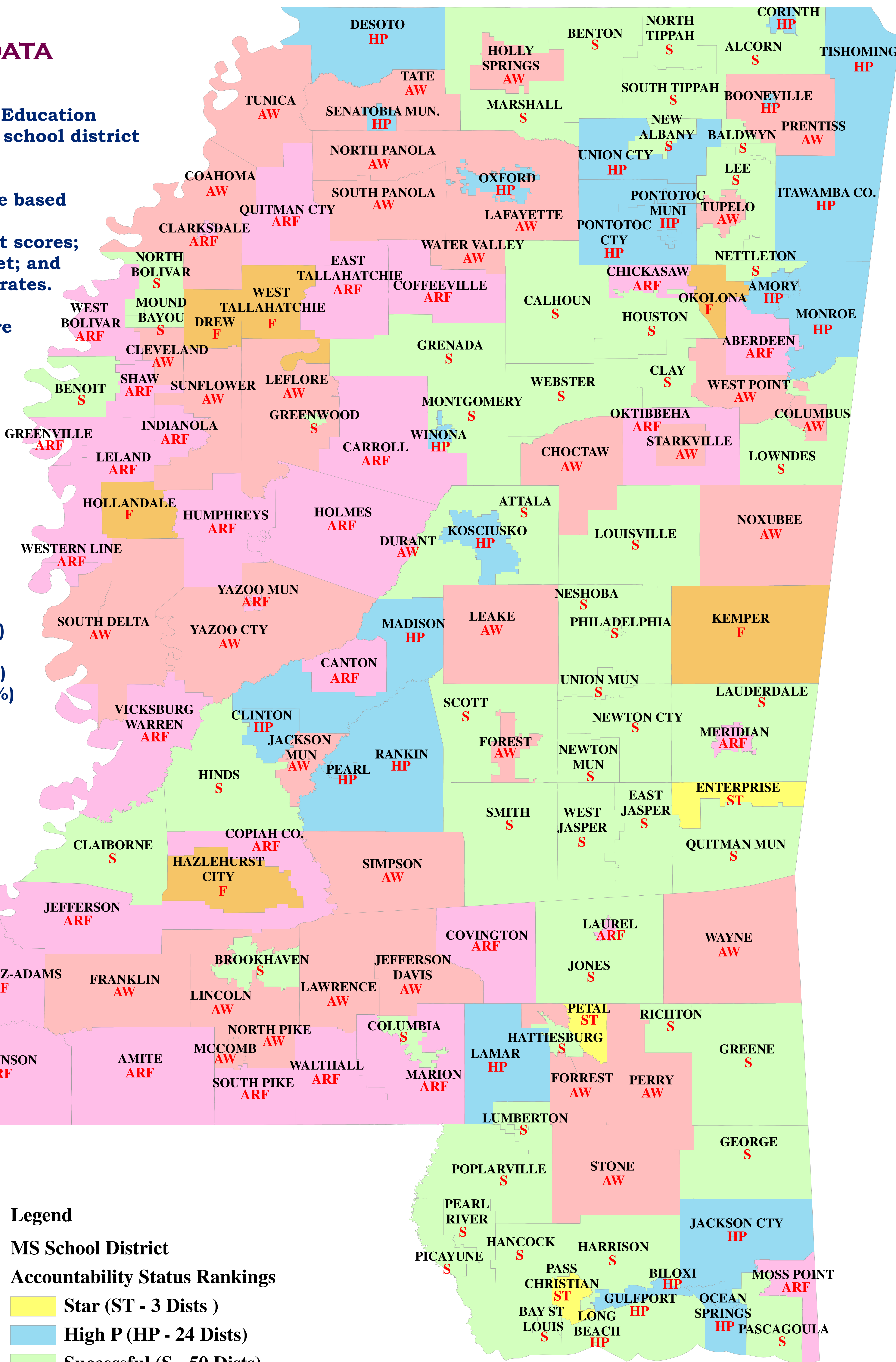
- The abbreviations are:
- ST = STAR (highest rating)
 - HP = HIGH PERFORMING
 - S = SUCCESSFUL
 - AW = ACADEMIC WATCH
 - ARF = AT RISK OF FAILING
 - F = FAILING (lowest rating)

Agricultural High Schools:

The Agricultural High Schools are not included in the visual map because they do not have discrete physical jurisdictions that school districts have. The rankings for the Ag High Schools are not included in the cumulative numbers set forth in the Legend.

The AHS rankings are:

- Coahoma AHS: Academic Watch
- Forrest AHS: Successful
- Hinds AHS: At Risk of Failing



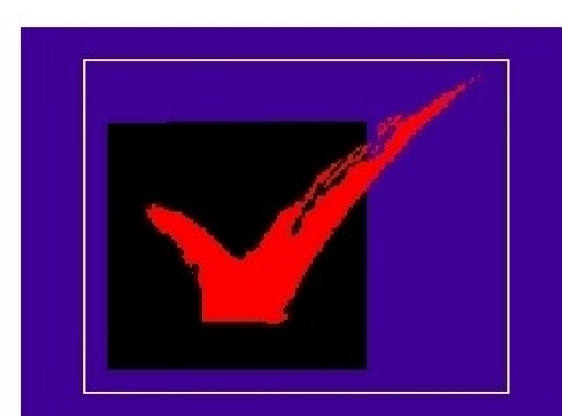
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MS School District

Accountability Status Rankings

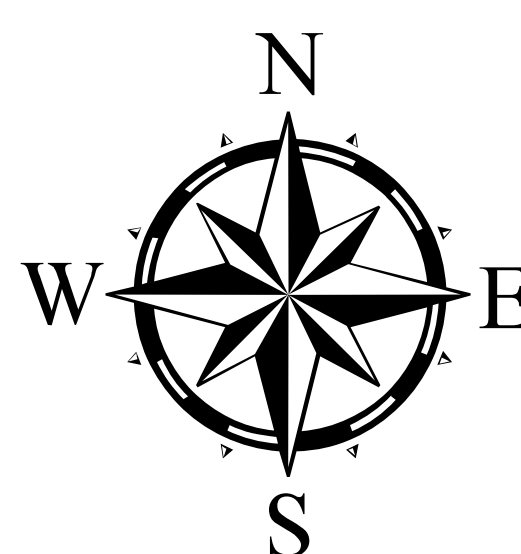
- Star (ST - 3 Dists)
- High P (HP - 24 Dists)
- Successful (S - 50 Dists)
- Academic Watch (AW- 35 Dists)
- At Risk of Failing (ARF - 31 Dists)
- Failing (F - 6 Dists)

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