

# PERCENT PROFICIENT IN MISSISSIPPI 8th GRADE MATH (2008-2010) WITH ACCOUNTABILITY STATUS RANKINGS 2011 - 2012 SCHOOL YEAR

## WHAT THIS MAP SHOWS:

This map shows the Percentage of Mississippi 8th Grade Students that tested proficient in math for the last three available years (2008-2010) on Nat'l Assoc. for Educational Progress (NAEP) tests. This map also shows the new MS Dept. of Education Accountability Status ratings for each school district that were released Sept. 16, 2011.

The testing matrix has four levels of student performance: minimum, basic, proficient and advanced, with minimum the lowest and advanced the highest. Proficient means the student has learned the curriculum content for that year and is prepared to handle the course content for the next year.

The **BLACK** text in the map identifies the name of the district. The **RED** text identifies the abbreviation for the ranking. The **BLUE** text identifies the percent of 8th Grade students ranked proficient in Math on 2010 NAEP tests. The **GREEN** text identifies the percent of 8th Grade students ranked proficient in Math on 2009 NAEP tests. The **DARK RED** text identifies the percent of 8th Grade students ranked proficient in Math on 2008 NAEP tests.

The performance rankings are divided into 6 categories. Below are the number of districts in each category and the percentage of the total 152 districts and the abbreviation in the map in red:

- STAR = ST:  
(4 Districts = 2.6%)
- HIGH PERFORMING = HP:  
(28 Districts = 18.4%)
- SUCCESSFUL = ST:  
(50 Districts = 32.9%)
- ACADEMIC WATCH = AW:  
(43 Districts = 28.3%)
- LOW PERFORMING = LP:  
(25 Districts = 16.4%)
- FAILING = F:  
(2 Districts = 1.3%)

Total school districts in the dataset, including the Agricultural High Schools: 152

70 districts (46.1%) are ranked LESS THAN Successful.

**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. In addition, we do not have comparative NAEP testing data for the AHS's.

**Clay County:**  
The reason Clay County has no data and is marked Not Applicable (N/A) because it has no 8th grade.

**Forest City:**  
There is no reported testing data for 2010 and is marked Not Applicable (N/A).

- Legend**
- MS School Districts with 2011 Accountability Status Rankings
- STAR DISTRICT (4 Districts)
  - HIGH PERFORMING (28 Districts)
  - SUCCESSFUL (50 Districts)
  - ACADEMIC WATCH (43 Districts)
  - LOW PERFORMING (25 Districts)
  - FAILING (2 Districts)

**Data Sources:**  
Accountability Rankings data derives from the MS Dept of Education.

NAEP testing data derives from the New America Foundation website which derives its data from the National Center for Education Statistics.

