PERCENT PROFICIENT IN MISSISSIPPI
4th GRADE READING (2008-2010)
WITH ACCOUNTABILITY STATUS RANKINGS 2011 - 2012 SCHOOL YEAR

WHAT THIS MAP SHOWS:
This map shows the Percentage of Mississippi 4th Grade Students that tested proficient in reading for the last three available years (2008-2010) on 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 4th Grade students ranked proficient in Reading on 2010 NAEP tests. The GREEN text identifies the percent of 4th Grade students ranked proficient in Reading on 2009 NAEP tests. The DARK RED text identifies the percent of 4th Grade students ranked proficient in Reading 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:

STAR = ST:
(4 Districts = 2.6%)
HIGH PROFICIENT = HP: (28 Districts = 18.4%)
SUCCESSFUL = ST: (50 Districts = 32.9%)
ACADEMIC WATCH = AW: (43 Districts = 28.3%)
LOW PROFICIENT = 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%) were 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 comprehensive NAEP testing data for the AHS’s.

Forest City:
There is no reported testing data for 2010 and is marked Not Applicable (NA).

Legend
MS School Districts with 2011 Accountability Status Rankings

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Data Sources:
Accountability Rankings data comes from the MS Dept of Education.
NAEP testing data comes from the New America Foundation which derives its data from the National Center for Education Statistics.

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