



**Madison County Schools Recognized as Best Large,  
Multi-High-School District on Unofficial State Accountability Grades**

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Madison County, Miss.: The unofficial results are in for 2021-2022 state accountability grades, placing Madison County Schools once again with a very strong A rating. Madison County Schools (MCS) earned the highest state accountability rating of all large, multi-high-school districts in the state. These unofficial district and school grades will become official upon final approval from the Mississippi State Board of Education on Thursday, September 29, 2022.

“We are so proud of every student, teacher, and administrator for working so diligently to earn these outstanding results. While certainly there are many pieces that contribute to the quality of a school district, accountability ratings are one way to show that students are learning, growing, and succeeding academically,” says Superintendent Charlotte Seals.

Notably among elementary schools, Luther Branson Elementary and Madison Avenue Elementary scored among the top 10 in the state, and Madison Station Elementary and Mannsdale Upper Elementary scored in the top 20. Among high schools, Rosa Scott School and Madison Central High School scored in the top five, and Germantown High School also earned a school-level A rating. Among middle schools, Madison Middle School came in top four, and Germantown Middle School earned a school-level A rating as well.

MCS elementary schools made an excellent showing with school-level A ratings in all four zones, including at Ann Smith Elementary, Highland Elementary, Camden Elementary, Madison Avenue Upper Elementary, Madison Crossing Elementary, and Mannsdale Elementary in addition to those named above.

“We truly feel our district-level A reflects what we see every day in classrooms throughout our entire district: students who are actively engaged in learning, teachers who are outstanding professionals who care deeply for our children, and administrators who are servant leaders in their school communities,” says Seals, “Of course, we would not be so successful in the classroom without amazing support of parents and our local communities. In Madison County people are proud of our schools, and they really make a difference by giving of their time and resources to show they care.”

With momentum to reach the next level, Ridgeland High School, Old Town Middle School, and Velma Jackson High School earned school-level B ratings, providing room for growth to reach school-level A ratings for the 2022-2023 school year. East Flora Elementary and Shirley Simmons Middle School garnered C ratings and are already keenly focused on taking their scores to the next level this school year. Every campus in Madison County Schools met or exceeded MDE’s goal of earning a C grade or higher, with the majority of schools earning strong A ratings.

“We are very proud of all of our accountability results, but we also know that there is more to the success of a district than testing results alone,” says Seals, “Each of our schools works hard to create a wonderful culture full of opportunities in athletics, the arts, and academics, where every student can find a way to participate and be prepared for success beyond high school. Earning such a strong A accountability rating is the icing on the cake.”

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Madison County Schools, in collaboration with families and community, strives to promote a safe and caring learning environment that empowers students by providing diverse opportunities which emphasize academic excellence and encourage critical thinking skills. Our goal is for students to develop into responsible, productive individuals who are equipped to make positive contributions to an ever-changing global society.

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