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## **Idaho Department of Education Launches New School Performance Website**

(BOISE) – The Idaho Department of Education today launched a new version of the department’s comprehensive accountability website, the Idaho Report Card. The website comes with added features designed to improve user experience and overall performance-related transparency for Idaho’s public districts and charter schools.

The new Idaho Report Card was designed with an updated look and feel along with a number of improved features that make information accessible and easy-to-understand for users. Visitors will still find results for measures such as the ISAT and IRI assessments, demographic information, chronic absenteeism, historical and current enrollment, college and career readiness and more.

Those new features include:

- Tools that allow users to compare all data points for up to five schools and districts or to statewide averages;
- Additional filter functions to select for school type (charter, career technical, alternative, etc), ISAT and IRI results, total enrollment, rural and non-rural locations and legislative districts;
- Improved landing pages for the school or district as well as dedicated landing pages for performance measures that include achievement indicators, growth and success indicators with buttons to drill into detailed information for each topic; and
- A button for past years’ data that provides a pop-up graph of historical and current information.

“Helping parents and other stakeholders to gain an accurate understanding of how our public schools are performing has been a longstanding goal of mine and the department, and this improved Report Card website is part of that initiative,” said Superintendent of Public Instruction Debbie Critchfield. “Although this website helps fulfill federal reporting requirements,

transparently giving Idahoans an easy but detailed way to fully understand how public education is performing statewide is important to everyone.”

Vendor PLS 3<sup>rd</sup> Learning was selected through a request for proposal process to provide the new website. The company helped the state of Pennsylvania implement report card compliance and the department was able to leverage many of the tools that were successful in that rollout to meet Idaho’s requirements. Funding for the site is provided through the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

Users are encouraged to visit <https://www.idahoreportcard.org/> to access the new website. The Report Card can also be accessed via the Idaho Department of Education’s website at <https://www.sde.idaho.gov/assessment/report-card.html>.

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