

2021 School Finance Award Recipients for 2020 Financial Reporting

The School Finance Award is awarded annually by the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE), Division of School Finance, to recognize schools for meeting statutory deadlines for submission of audited fiscal financial data and reporting criteria. Out of 570 eligible reporting entities, 455 met the qualifying criteria for the 2021 School Finance Award. There was no application process for the 2021 School Finance Award. Eligibility is based on final Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Uniform Financial Accounting and Reporting Standards (UFARS) financial data.

Criteria for FY 2020 Financial Reporting:

A. Timely Submission of Financial Data and Compliance with Minnesota Statutes

- A.1. Preliminary unaudited UFARS data is submitted to MDE by September 15, 2020 (Minn. Stat. § 123B.77, subd. 2).
- A.2. Final audited UFARS data is submitted to MDE by November 30, 2020 (Minn. Stat. § 123B.77, subd. 3).
- A.3. The Fiscal Compliance Table is completed and error-free by November 30, 2020 (Minn. Stat. § 123B.77, subd. 3). Subsequent Fiscal Compliance Table submissions will not be considered.
- A.4. The FY 2020 Audit Report is due on December 31, 2020. If the audit is mailed, it must be postmarked on or before December 31, 2020 (Minn. Stat. § 123B.77, subd. 3).
- A.5. District/school uses state-approved financial software (Minn. Stat. § 125B.05, subd. 3).

B. Presence of Select Indicators of Fiscal Health

- B.1. The district/school has a zero or positive balance in the General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance Account 422. For purposes of this award, Fund Balance Account 422 includes the following: 418 Committed for Separation/Retirement Benefits; 460 Nonspendable Fund Balance; 461 Committed Fund Balance; 462 Assigned Fund Balance; 464 Restricted Fund.
- B.2. The district/school has a zero or positive aggregate fund balance in each of the Funds 2, 4, 7 and 47.
- B.3. The district has positive or zero balances in Restricted/Reserved Fund Balance Accounts having statutory requirements to maintain a positive or zero balance.

C. Accuracy in Financial Reporting

C.1. The district/school's final UFARS Turnaround Edit Report has no errors.

C.2. The district/school's final audited UFARS data agrees with the independent audit data.

District	Type	District Name
1	1	Aitkin Public School District
2	1	Hill City Public School District
6	3	South St. Paul Public School District
11	1	Anoka-Hennepin Public School District
12	1	Centennial Public School District
13	1	Columbia Heights Public School District
14	1	Fridley Public School District
15	1	St. Francis Area Schools
16	1	Spring Lake Park Public Schools
22	1	Detroit Lakes Public School District
25	1	Pine Point Public School District
31	1	Bemidji Public School District
32	1	Blackduck Public School District
36	1	Kelliher Public School District

District	Type	District Name
38	1	Red Lake Public School District
47	1	Sauk Rapids-Rice Public Schools
51	1	Foley Public School District
75	1	St. Clair Public School District
77	1	Mankato Public School District
84	1	Sleepy Eye Public School District
85	1	Springfield Public School District
88	1	New Ulm Public School District
91	1	Barnum Public School District
94	1	Cloquet Public School District
95	1	Cromwell-Wright Public Schools
97	1	Moose Lake Public School District
99	1	Esko Public School District
108	1	Central Public School District
111	1	Watertown-Mayer Public School District
112	1	Eastern Carver County Public School
113	1	Walker-Hackensack-Akeley School District

District	Type	District Name
116	1	Pillager Public School District
118	1	Northland Community Schools
138	1	North Branch Public Schools
146	1	Barnesville Public School District
150	1	Hawley Public School District
162	1	Bagley Public School District
173	1	Mountain Lake Public Schools
177	1	Windom Public School District
181	1	Brainerd Public School District
182	1	Crosby-Ironton Public School District
186	1	Pequot Lakes Public Schools
191	1	Burnsville Public School District
192	1	Farmington Public School District
194	1	Lakeville Public School District
196	1	Rosemount-Apple Valley-Eagan
197	1	West St. Paul-Mendota Heights-Eagan
199	1	Inver Grove Heights Schools

District	Type	District Name
200	1	Hastings Public School District
203	1	Hayfield Public School District
227	1	Chatfield Public Schools
238	1	Mabel-Canton Public School District
241	1	Albert Lea Public School District
255	1	Pine Island Public School District
256	1	Red Wing Public School District
261	1	Ashby Public School District
264	1	Herman-Norcross School District
270	1	Hopkins Public School District
273	1	Edina Public School District
276	1	Minnetonka Public School District
277	1	Westonka Public School District
278	1	Orono Public School District
279	1	Osseo Public School District
280	1	Richfield Public School District
282	1	St. Anthony-New Brighton Schools

District	Type	District Name
283	1	St. Louis Park Public School District
284	1	Wayzata Public School District
286	1	Brooklyn Center School District
287	6	Intermediate School District 287
288	6	Southwest Metro Intermediate 288
297	1	Spring Grove School District
299	1	Caledonia Public School District
300	1	La Crescent-Hokah School District
306	1	Laporte Public School District
309	1	Park Rapids Public School District
314	1	Braham Public School District
316	1	Greenway Public School District
318	1	Grand Rapids Public School District
323	2	Franconia Public School District
332	1	Mora Public School District
333	1	Ogilvie Public School District
347	1	Willmar Public School District

District	Type	District Name
356	1	Lancaster Public School District
361	1	International Falls School District
363	1	South Koochiching School District
381	1	Lake Superior Public School District
382	52	NW Region Interdistrict Council
390	1	Lake Of The Woods School District
397	52	Lake Agassiz Education Cooperative
398	52	Midwest Special Education Coop.
403	1	Ivanhoe Public School District
404	1	Lake Benton Public School District
413	1	Marshall Public School District
414	1	Minneota Public School District
423	1	Hutchinson Public School District
432	1	Mahnomen Public School District
435	1	Waubun-Ogema-White Earth Public Schools
441	1	Marshall County Central Schools
447	1	Grygla Public School District

District	Type	District Name
458	1	Truman Public School District
463	1	Eden Valley-Watkins School District
465	1	Litchfield Public School District
466	1	Dassel-Cokato Public School District
473	1	Isle Public School District
477	1	Princeton Public School District
482	1	Little Falls Public School District
484	1	Pierz Public School District
486	1	Swanville Public School District
492	1	Austin Public School District
495	1	Grand Meadow Public School District
497	1	Lyle Public School District
500	1	Southland Public School District
505	1	Fulda Public School District
507	1	Nicollet Public School District
508	1	St. Peter Public School District
511	1	Adrian Public School District

District	Type	District Name
518	1	Worthington Public School District
531	1	Byron Public School District
533	1	Dover-Eyota Public School District
535	1	Rochester Public School District
542	1	Battle Lake Public School District
544	1	Fergus Falls Public School District
545	1	Henning Public School District
547	1	Parkers Prairie Public School District
548	1	Pelican Rapids Public School District
549	1	Perham-Dent Public School District
553	1	New York Mills Public School District
561	1	Goodridge Public School District
564	1	Thief River Falls School District
577	1	Willow River Public School District
578	1	Pine City Public School District
581	1	Edgerton Public School District
593	1	Crookston Public School District

District	Type	District Name
599	1	Fertile-Beltrami School District
621	1	Mounds View Public School District
622	1	North St. Paul-Maplewood Oakdale
624	1	White Bear Lake School District
625	1	St. Paul Public School District
635	1	Milroy Public School District
640	1	Wabasso Public School District
656	1	Faribault Public School District
659	1	Northfield Public School District
671	1	Hills-Beaver Creek School District
682	1	Roseau Public School District
690	1	Warroad Public School District
695	1	Chisholm Public School District
698	1	Floodwood Public School District
700	1	Hermantown Public School District
701	1	Hibbing Public School District
704	1	Proctor Public School District

District	Type	District Name
707	1	Nett Lake Public School District
712	1	Mountain Iron-Buhl School District
716	1	Belle Plaine Public School District
717	1	Jordan Public School District
719	1	Prior Lake-Savage Area Schools
720	1	Shakopee Public School District
726	1	Becker Public School District
727	1	Big Lake Public School District
728	1	Elk River School District
738	1	Holdingford Public School District
739	1	Kimball Public School District
740	1	Melrose Public School District
741	1	Paynesville Public School District
742	1	St. Cloud Public School District
743	1	Sauk Centre Public School District
745	1	Albany Public School District
748	1	Sartell-St. Stephen School District

District	Type	District Name
756	1	Blooming Prairie Public School District
761	1	Owatonna Public School District
763	1	Medford Public School District
771	1	Chokio-Alberta Public School District
775	1	Kerkhoven-Murdock-Sunburg
777	1	Benson Public School District
786	1	Bertha-Hewitt Public School District
801	1	Browns Valley Public School District
813	1	Lake City Public School District
815	2	Prinsburg Public School District
818	1	Verndale Public School District
820	1	Sebeka Public School District
829	1	Waseca Public School District
831	1	Forest Lake Public School District
832	1	Mahtomedi Public School District
833	1	South Washington County School District
834	1	Stillwater Area Public School District

District	Type	District Name
837	1	Madelia Public School District
840	1	St. James Public School District
846	1	Breckenridge Public School District
850	1	Rothsay Public School District
852	1	Campbell-Tintah Public School District
857	1	Lewiston-Altura Public School District
858	1	St. Charles Public School District
865	82	Region 5
866	82	Region 4
868	82	Region 2 - ARCC
869	82	Region 1 - NWLINKS
876	1	Annandale Public School District
879	1	Delano Public School District
881	1	Maple Lake Public School District
882	1	Monticello Public School District
883	1	Rockford Public School District
885	1	St. Michael-Albertville School District

District	Type	District Name
891	1	Canby Public School District
914	1	Ulen-Hitterdal Public School District
915	52	Southern Plains Education Cooperative
917	6	Intermediate School District 917
919	51	North Country Voc. Coop. Ctr.
921	83	Region 10-Southeast Service Coop
922	83	Region 9-South Central Service Coop
924	83	Sourcewell
925	82	Sourcewell Technology
927	83	Region 3 - Northeast Service Coop
928	83	Region 1 And 2-Northwest Service Coop
935	52	Fergus Falls Area Special Education Cooperative
938	52	Meeker And Wright Special Education
957	51	Oak Land Vocational Cooperative
966	51	Wright Technical Center
978	52	Minnesota Valley Cooperative
985	51	Pine To Prairie Cooperative Ctr.

District	Type	District Name
991	83	Region 6 And 8-SW/WC Service Cooperative
997	52	Area Special Education Cooperative
998	52	Bemidji Regional Interdist. Council
2071	1	Lake Crystal-Wellcome Memorial
2125	1	Triton School District
2134	1	United South Central School District
2135	1	Maple River School District
2137	1	Kingsland Public School District
2143	1	Waterville-Elysian-Morristown
2149	1	Minnewaska School District
2164	1	Dilworth-Glyndon-Felton
2167	1	Lakeview School District
2168	1	NRHEG School District
2170	1	Staples-Motley School District
2171	1	Kittson Central School District
2174	1	Pine River-Backus School District
2180	1	MACCRAY School District

District	Type	District Name
2190	1	Yellow Medicine East
2215	1	Norman County East School District
2310	1	Sibley East School District
2311	1	Clearbrook-Gonvick School District
2342	1	West Central Area
2358	1	Tri-County School District
2364	1	Belgrade-Brooten-Elrosa School District
2397	1	Le Sueur-Henderson School District
2448	1	Martin County West School District
2527	1	Norman County West School District
2536	1	Granada Huntley East Chain
2580	1	East Central School District
2609	1	Win-E-Mac School District
2683	1	Greenbush-Middle River School District
2687	1	Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted
2689	1	Pipestone Area School District
2711	1	Mesabi East School District

District	Type	District Name
2752	1	Fairmont Area School District
2753	1	Long Prairie-Grey Eagle School District
2754	1	Cedar Mountain School District
2769	1	Morris Area Public Schools
2805	1	Zumbrota-Mazeppa School District
2835	1	Janesville-Waldorf-Pemberton
2853	1	Lac Qui Parle Valley School District
2856	1	Stephen-Argyle Central Schools
2859	1	Glencoe-Silver Lake School District
2886	1	Glenville-Emmons School District
2888	1	Clinton-Graceville-Beardsley
2890	1	Renville County West School District
2897	1	Redwood Area School District
2898	1	Westbrook-Walnut Grove Schools
2899	1	Plainview-Elgin-Millville
2903	1	Ortonville Public Schools
2904	1	Tracy Area Public School District

District	Type	District Name
2905	1	Tri-City United School District
2906	1	Red Lake County Central Public Schools
2907	1	Round Lake-Brewster Public Schools
2908	1	Brandon-Evansville Public Schools
4000	7	City Academy
4001	7	Bluffview Montessori
4003	7	New Heights School, Inc.
4004	7	Cedar Riverside Community School
4005	7	Metro Deaf School
4007	7	Minnesota New Country School
4008	7	Pact Charter School
4011	7	Athlos Leadership Academy
4015	7	Community Of Peace Academy
4016	7	World Learner Charter School
4018	7	Achieve Language Academy
4020	7	Duluth Public Schools Academy
4025	7	Cyber Village Academy

District	Type	District Name
4026	7	E.C.H.O. Charter School
4027	7	Higher Ground Academy
4029	7	St. Paul City School
4031	7	Jennings Community School
4035	7	Life Prep
4036	7	Face To Face Academy
4038	7	Sojourner Truth Academy
4039	7	High School For Recording Arts
4043	7	Math And Science Academy
4050	7	Lafayette Public Charter School
4053	7	North Lakes Academy
4054	7	La Crescent Montessori & Stem School
4055	7	Nerstrand Charter School
4056	7	Rosa Parks Charter High School
4057	7	El Colegio Charter School
4058	7	Schoolcraft Learning Community Charter
4059	7	Crosslake Community Charter School

District	Type	District Name
4064	7	Riverway Learning Community Charter
4066	7	Kato Public Charter School
4067	7	Aurora Charter School
4068	7	Excell Academy Charter
4070	7	Hope Community Academy
4073	7	Academia Cesar Chavez Charter School
4075	7	Avalon School
4078	7	Twin Cities International Schools
4080	7	Pillager Area Charter School
4081	7	Discovery Public School Faribault
4082	7	Bluesky Charter School
4083	7	Ridgeway Community School
4084	7	North Shore Community School
4085	7	Harbor City International Charter
4087	7	Sage Academy Charter School
4088	7	Urban Academy Charter School
4090	7	Prairie Creek Community School

District	Type	District Name
4091	7	Arcadia Charter School
4092	7	Watershed High School
4093	7	New Century Academy
4095	7	Trio Wolf Creek Distance Learning
4097	7	Partnership Academy, Inc.
4098	7	Nova Classical Academy
4100	7	Great Expectations
4102	7	Minnesota Internship Center
4104	7	Paladin Career And Tech High School
4105	7	Great River School
4106	7	TrekNorth High School
4107	7	Voyageurs Expeditionary
4110	7	PIM Arts High School
4111	7	Augsburg Fairview Academy
4112	7	St Paul Conservatory Performing Art
4113	7	Spero Academy
4116	7	Lakes International Language Academy

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4118	7	Kaleidoscope Charter School
4119	7	Academic Arts High School
4120	7	St. Croix Preparatory Academy
4121	7	Ubah Medical Academy Charter School
4122	7	Eagle Ridge Academy Charter School
4124	7	Beacon Academy
4126	7	Prairie Seeds Academy
4127	7	TEAM Academy
4131	7	Metro Schools Charter
4132	7	Twin Cities Academy
4135	7	Rochester Math And Science Academy
4137	7	Swan River Montessori Charter School
4139	7	LoveWorks Academy For Arts
4140	7	Yinghua Academy
4142	7	Stride Academy Charter School
4143	7	New Millennium Academy Charter School
4145	7	Birch Grove Community School

District	Type	District Name
4146	7	Northern Lights Community School
4150	7	Minnesota Online High School
4151	7	EdVisions Off Campus School
4152	7	Twin Cities German Immersion Charter School
4153	7	Midway Star Academy
4155	7	Naytahwaush Community School
4159	7	Seven Hills Preparatory Academy
4160	7	Spectrum High School
4161	7	New Discoveries Montessori Academy
4162	7	Southside Family Charter School
4164	7	Laura Jeffrey Academy Charter
4166	7	East Range Academy Of Tech-Science
4167	7	International Spanish Language Academy
4168	7	Glacial Hills Elementary
4169	7	Stonebridge World School
4170	7	Hiawatha Academies
4171	7	Noble Academy

District	Type	District Name
4172	7	Clarkfield Charter School
4177	7	Minisinaakwaang Leadership Academy
4178	7	Lincoln International School
4181	7	Community School of Excellence
4183	7	Lionsgate Academy
4184	7	Aspen Academy
4185	7	Davinci Academy
4186	7	Global Academy
4187	7	Natural Science Academy
4188	7	Cologne Academy
4189	7	Bright Water Elementary
4191	7	KIPP Minnesota Charter School
4192	7	Best Academy
4193	7	College Preparatory Elementary
4194	7	Cannon River Stem School
4195	7	Oshki Ogimaag Charter School
4198	7	Discovery Woods

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4199	7	Parnassus Preparatory Charter School
4200	7	Step Academy Charter School
4201	7	Cornerstone Montessori Elementary
4204	7	Rochester Stem Academy
4205	7	Hennepin Elementary School
4207	7	Vermilion Country School
4208	7	Nasha Shkola Charter School
4209	7	Mastery School
4210	7	Upper Mississippi Academy
4213	7	Prodeo Academy
4215	7	Sejong Academy Of Minnesota
4217	7	Technical Academies Of Minnesota
4218	7	Venture Academy
4219	7	Northeast College Prep
4220	7	Agamim Classical Academy
4221	7	Discovery Charter School
4223	7	Saint Cloud Math And Science Academy

District	Type	District Name
4224	7	Star Of The North Academy Charter School
4225	7	Universal Academy Charter School
4226	7	Bdote Learning Center
4227	7	Art and Science Academy
4228	7	Woodbury Leadership Academy
4229	7	Jane Goodall Environmental Science
4230	7	Minnesota Excellence in Learning Academy
4231	7	Minnesota Math And Science Academy
4232	7	Success Academy
4233	7	Level Up Academy
4237	7	Career Pathways
4238	7	Rochester Beacon Academy
4239	7	Tesfa International School
4240	7	New Century School
4244	7	FIT Academy
4253	7	Phoenix Academy Charter School
4254	7	Marine Area Community School

District	Type	District Name
4258	7	The Journey School
4261	7	SciTech Academy Charter School
4264	7	Gateway Stem Academy
4265	7	Minnesota Wildflower Montessori School
4267	7	Horizon Science Academy Twin Cities
4271	7	Aurora Waasakone Community of Learners Charter School
4273	7	Modern Montessori Charter School
4275	7	St. Paul School of Northern Lights
4279	7	Exploration High School
6003	50	East Central MN Ed. Cable Coop.
6004	61	Freshwater Education District
6009	61	St. Croix River Education District
6012	61	Zumbro Education District
6013	61	Hiawatha Valley Ed. District
6014	61	Runestone Area Ed. District
6018	61	MN River Valley Education District
6027	61	MN Valley Education District

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6049	61	River Bend Education District
6050	52	Paul Bunyan Education Cooperative
6051	61	Goodhue County Education District
6054	50	Central MN Ed Telecom System
6067	62	Equity Alliance MN
6074	50	Central Minnesota Jt. Powers Dist.
6078	62	N.W. Suburban Integration District
6079	52	Rum River Special Education Coop
6080	50	Infinity: Minnesota Digital Academy
6085	50	Nobles County Intg Collaborative
6090	52	Sherburne And Northern Wright Special Education Cooperative
6091	50	Education Innovation Partners Cooperative Center
6094	52	Cannon Valley Special Education Cooperative
6095	52	Austin Albert Lea Area Special Education Cooperative
6098	50	Minnesota Healthcare Consortium
6383	61	Benton-Stearns Education District
6979	61	Mid State Education District