

School Self-Assessment Grade Report

The Mercer County School District has conscientiously implemented the requirements found in the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act. During the years of implementation, our school has made progress in addressing and improving harassment, intimidation and bullying and the school climate and culture.

The official release of the School Self-Assessment for Determining HIB Grades under the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights District and School Grade Report has been issued.

Mercer High School received a score of 71 of 78 points, Mercer Elementary School received a score of 68 of 78 points, and Joseph F. Cappello School received a score of 70 of 78 points.

In order to foster safe and positive learning conditions for students, the school and district grades are part of an integrated process for reinforcing and strengthening a school's climate and culture through prevention and intervention efforts targeted toward harassment, intimidation and bullying (HIB). District and school staff are encouraged to use the data to educate staff and the community about current school practices and engage them in identifying and addressing areas for improvement.

Under the Commissioner's Program, the school grade is a raw score of data and the sum of the ratings for all indicators within each core element on the School Self-Assessment (e.g., 65 of 78 points). The maximum total score for a school is 78 points. The school district's grade is an average of the total scores of all schools in the school district. The department issued grade is not represented as a letter grade.

The Department is not issuing any associated value or ranking for the raw and average scores. The raw and average scores reflect the school and school district's degree of compliance with the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act (ABR), as determined primarily through each school's self-assessment of its implementation of the ABR.

School districts and schools must post the exact grade reports issued by the NJDOE without making any alterations to the PDF document to fulfill its responsibilities for posting the grades to the school district and school's websites.

