

## POSTING REQUIREMENTS FOR MI SCHOOL DATA PARENT TRANSPARENCY DASHBOARD

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**House Bill 4149 (H-1) as reported from committee**  
**Sponsor: Rep. Thomas Kuhn**  
**Committee: Education and Workforce**  
**Complete to 3-20-25**

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### SUMMARY:

House Bill 4149 would amend the Revised School Code to require a school district, public school academy (PSA, also known as a charter school), and intermediate school district (ISD) to post a link on its website to the MI School Data's Parent Transparency Dashboard<sup>1</sup> for each school under its operation. This would have to be done by July 1, 2026.

Then, subject to appropriation, starting July 1, 2027, and each July 1 thereafter, a school district, PSA, or ISD would be required to send an annual notification to the parent or legal guardian of each student enrolled in a school that it operates. This annual notification would have to contain both of the following:

- Data for the student's school from the education dashboard of the MI School Data website.
- The school's performance on state assessments by subject area from the parent dashboard of the MI School Data website.

The MI School Data website is updated using data reported to the Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI). The bill would require that CEPI expand the information included in the education dashboard to include data from the parent dashboard, and that CEPI ensure the MI School Data website include a comparison function for the education dashboard.

Proposed MCL 380.1280h

### BRIEF DISCUSSION:

According to sponsor testimony, the bill is intended to make it easier for parents, guardians, and community members to access information about their local school and compare that school's performance to others in their region or around the state. Some of the information required by the bill is presently available on the MI School Data website but is not accessible in a single dashboard or report. Supporters of the bill hope that, by requiring that certain information be placed in a single location and then posted to a school's website, it will make the information more accessible to interested persons.

The MI School Data website presently allows for website users to compare up to 20 different entities using data from student and staffing metrics, assessment metrics, and the parent dashboard. The parent dashboard for school transparency also shows a school's performance relative to the average of schools similar as determined by student characteristics as well as the

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<sup>1</sup> [MI School Data Parent Dashboard for School Transparency](#)

statewide average in that area, although the current format of the tool appears to differ from what is proposed under the bill.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The bill would create costs for the state and would create costs for local school districts, PSAs, and ISDs.

Under the bill, the Center for Educational Performance and Information would be required to include information from the parent dashboard for school transparency in the education dashboard of the MI School Data website. In addition, CEPI would be required to include a function in the education dashboard to allow for the comparison of public schools. An estimate for costs to implement these changes is in progress.

Districts, PSAs, and ISDs would be required to post a link to the parent dashboard for school transparency from MI School Data on the district's, PSA's, or ISD's website. Implementation costs would likely be absorbed using existing staff time.

Districts, PSAs, and ISDs would also be required to provide a notification to each parent or legal guardian that includes data from the education dashboard from MI School Data and the school's performance on state assessments by subject area. Districts, PSAs, and ISDs would only be required to provide this notification if an appropriation was provided by the legislature to do so. If the appropriation is insufficient to fully fund this requirement, districts, PSAs, and ISDs may incur additional costs to meet the requirement.

**POSITIONS:**

The following entities indicated support for the bill (3-12-25):

- Great Lakes Education Project
- Oakland Schools
- Edtrust Midwest

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