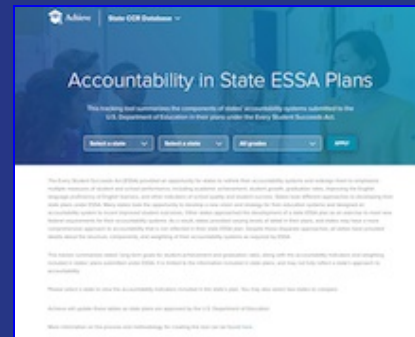




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ICYMI: ESSA Tracker for State Accountability Plans

In case you missed it, be sure to look through Achieve's [online tracker](#) of state accountability systems as submitted in their state ESSA plans. We're making updates to the tracker as state plans are updated and approved. [See what counts](#) in your state's accountability plan.



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Show Me the Data 2017: States Can Improve Report Cards This Year

The Data Quality Campaign has released its [annual analysis](#) of the information that is publicly available through school report cards in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Their analysis found that states are making progress in the quality and transparency of their public reporting, but there's still work to be done. Take a look at [the full analysis](#).

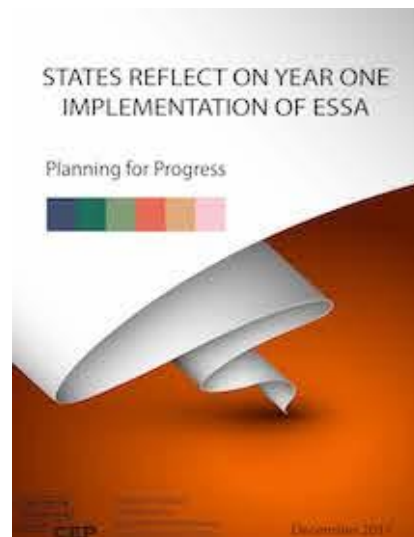


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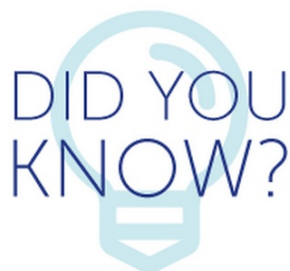
Planning for Progress: States Reflect on Year One Implementation of ESSA

The George Washington University's Center on Education Policy released [a new report](#) based on a fall 2017 survey of officials from 45 state education agencies about early state efforts to implement the Every Student Succeeds Act. The report highlights states' views on ESSA's shift in control from the federal government to states and school districts regarding accountability and school improvement activities; stakeholder involvement in state plan development, state capacity to implement ESSA requirements, and the U.S. Department of Education's assistance in implementing ESSA.



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48 states

are using student test results no older than the 2015-16 school year - meaning information is timelier than ever before.

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