ARKANSAS SQSS COMPONENT SUMMARY

STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

Students who do not miss many days of school earn points. A student who misses less than 5% of days enrolled earns 1 point. Missing 5% to less than 10% of school days earns 0.5 points. Missing more than 10% of enrolled school days nets 0 points.

READING ACHIEVEMENT

Students who meet the benchmark on ACT Aspire Reading earn points. Students earn 1 point for achieving **Ready** or **Exceeds** and 0 points if they don't.

SCIENCE ACHIEVEMENT

Students who meet the benchmark on ACT Aspire Science earn points. Students earn 1 point for achieving **Ready** or **Exceeds** and 0 points if they don't.

SCIENCE VALUE-ADDED GROWTH

Students earn points for exceeding growth expectations on the ACT Aspire Science test. If growth meets or exceeds the 75th percentile, students earn 1 point. Growth ranked between the 25th and 75th percentiles nets 0.5 points. Students with growth ranked below the 25th percentile earn 0 points.

ON-TIME CREDITS

Students averaging at least 5.5 credits per grade earn 1 point. Otherwise, students earn 0 points. This equates to 5.5 credits by the end of 9th grade, 11 credits by the end of 10th grade, and 16.5 credits by the end of 11th grade.

HIGH SCHOOL GPA

12th-graders with a final high school GPA of 2.8 or higher receive 1 point. GPAs below 2.8 earn 0 points.

ACT SCORES

12th-graders who have earned an ACT Composite score of 19 or greater on at least one ACT test administration receive 1 point. Students whose best ACT Composite score is 18 or lower receive 0 points.

ACT READINESS BENCHMARKS

12th-graders earn 0.5 points for each ACT College Readiness Benchmark they meet in Math (22), Reading (22), and Science (23). The best scale score the student has ever received can be used for each subject.

AP / IB / CONCURRENT CREDIT

Students receive 1 point if they earn one or more AP/IB/Concurrent Credit course credits, and 0 points if they don't.

COMPUTER SCIENCE

Students gain 1 point if they have earned one or more computer science course credits.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Students who earn one or more Community Service course credits gain 1 point.