

Student Growth Percentile

Student Growth Percentiles (SGP) describe a student's growth relative to students with similar prior achievement on state tests. A growth percentile can range from 1 to 99, with higher percentiles indicating higher academic growth. All students of all prior achievement levels have the opportunity to demonstrate all levels of growth. For more information please visit www.gsgm.gadoe.org.

The growth model uses two years of prior test data as pretest scores, and one year is used when multiple years are not available (such as for 3rd graders). Students must attend 90% of the instructional length of the course in order for the student's data to be included in the growth score for evaluation.

Annual calculations of student growth for SGP grades and courses are based on state assessment data (Georgia Milestones End of Grades [EOG] in grades 4-8 ELA/Reading and Mathematics and End of Courses [EOC] in ELA and Mathematics). Therefore, only data from these 14 courses will result in growth percentiles. All other courses are considered non-SGP courses. For teachers of non-SGP grades and courses, this component is comprised of Local Educational Agency (LEA) Determined Measures which may be Student Learning Objectives, the School or District Mean Growth Percentile, or another measure identified or developed and implemented by the LEA. LEA-Determined Measures are not reported in the table below.

SGP ratings are grouped into four levels for the purposes of calculating a score for Teacher Effectiveness Measures:

Level I: <50% demonstrates expected or high growth

Level II: ≥50% demonstrates expected or high growth

Level III: ≥80% demonstrates expected or high growth

Level IV: ≥90% demonstrates expected or high growth AND ≥50% demonstrates high growth

SGP Ratings by Level - First Academic Year After Program Completion

168 VSU candidates completed their program between September 2019 and August 2021 and held a teaching job in a Georgia public school during their first year of employment after program completion.

Level I: 4%

Level II: 13%

Level III: 80%

Level IV: 4%