

Overview of the 2020-2021 Community School Sponsor Evaluation Process



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History

Sponsor Evaluation System

- **Assist** the Department in its oversight of sponsors
- **Improve** the quality of sponsor practices
- **Improve** community school operations and academic performance



Sponsor Evaluations (ORC 3314.016)

Three Equally Weighted Components

- Academic performance
- Compliance with all applicable laws and rules
- Adherence to quality practices



Academic Component

Determines how well students are performing academically at all of a sponsor's community schools combined

Includes *all* applicable state report card measures

Weighted by number of students in each school

Rating does not require actions from sponsors

Academic Component

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE		
Report Card Grade (or Equivalent)	Dropout Prevention and Recovery Report Card Rating	Points
A	Exceeds Standards	4
B		3
C	Meets Standards	2
D		1
F	Does Not Meet Standards	0

Compliance Component

- Review of sponsor's adherence to all applicable laws and rules for itself
- Review of sponsor's oversight of its schools' adherence to all applicable laws and rules



Compliance Component

Sponsor-Level Ratings

Percentage	Rating	Points
92 – 100%	Exceeds Expectations	4
87 – 91.9%	Meets Expectations	3
84 – 86.9%	Progressing Toward Expectations	2
80 – 83.9%	Below Expectations	1
0 – 79.9%	Significantly Below Expectations	0

2020-2021 Compliance Component

Sponsor Level

Percentage	Rating	Points
92 – 100%	Exceeds Expectations	4
87 – 91.9%	Meets Expectations	3
84 – 86.9%	Progressing Toward Expectations	2
80 – 83.9%	Below Expectations	1
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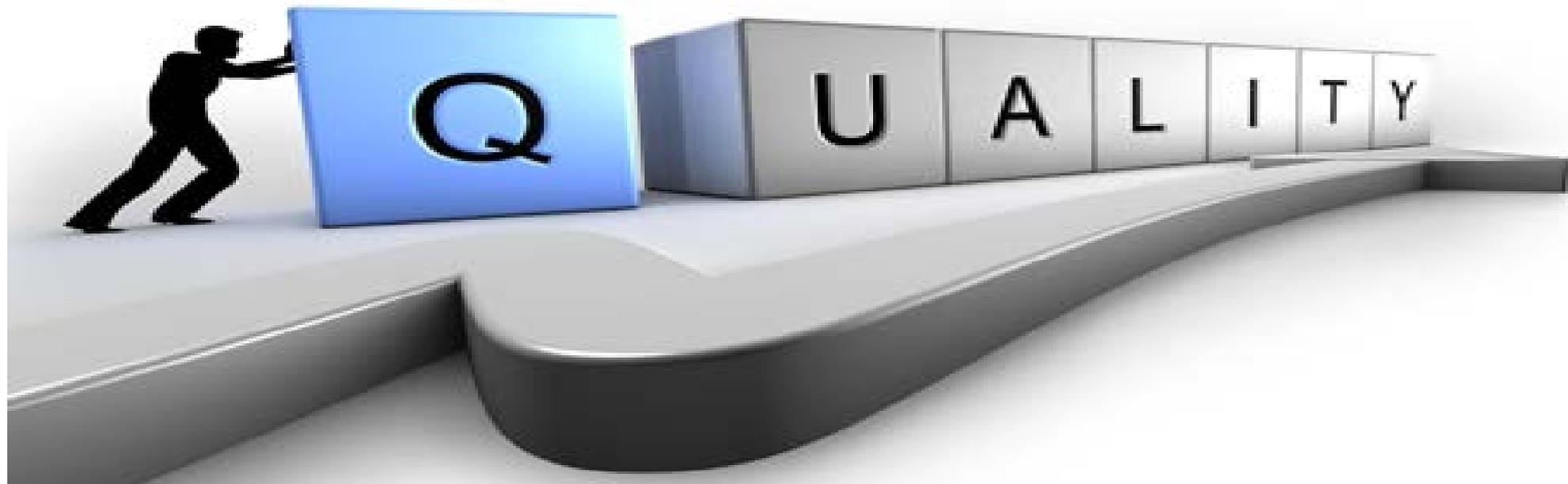
Oversight of Schools*

Percentage	Points
98 – 100%	4
96 – 97.9%	3
94 – 95.9%	2
92 – 93.9%	1
0 – 91.9%	0

*The score for this item is used to determine Compliance Item S-615 for the sponsor-level calculation

Quality Component

The adherence of a sponsor to follow nationally established quality sponsor practices in six critical areas, which are based on NACSA standards and Ohio law.

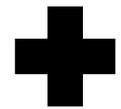


Quality Component

Percentage	Rating	Points
90 – 100%	Exceeds Standards	4
75 – 89.9%	Meets Standards	3
55 – 74.9%	Progressing Toward Standards	2
35 – 54.9%	Below Standards	1
0 – 34.9%	Significantly Below Standards	0

Overall Sponsor Rating

Academic Performance



Compliance with Laws and Rules

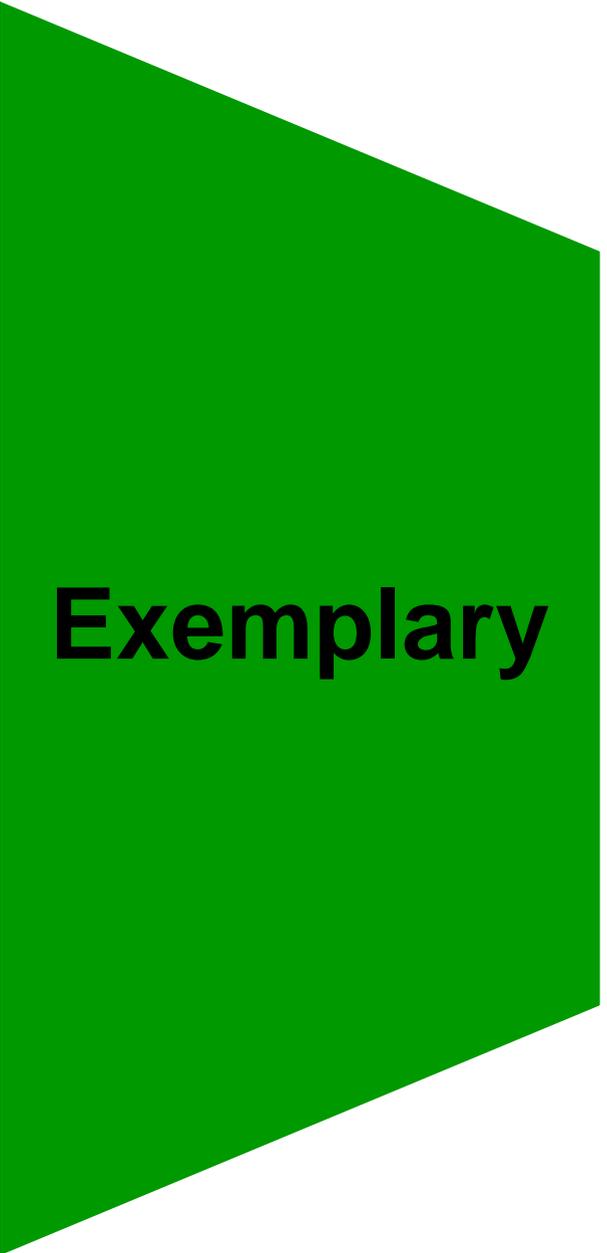


Quality Practices



Sponsor Rating

Overall Sponsor Ratings





2020-2021 Sponsor Evaluations

Which sponsors are being evaluated?

Any community school sponsor of the 2020-2021 school year that **did not** meet the exemption requirements of ORC 3314.016(B)(7)(b)

2020-2021 Sponsor Evaluation Exemptions

Sponsors that received an overall rating of **Exemplary** or **Effective** for 2016-2017, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 are exempt from the 2020-2021 sponsor evaluation



*Note: No overall sponsor ratings were given for the 2019-2020 sponsor evaluation



Sponsor Adjustment Requests

Preliminary Academic, Compliance and Quality Ratings

- Uploaded to Epicenter in mid/late September 2021

Sponsor Adjustment Request Period

- 10 business days to review ratings and scores, and to submit an adjustment request form



Sponsor Adjustment Requests

Sponsor Adjustment Request Review

- Department staff review the adjustment requests

Final Ratings and Scores

- Department staff recalculate the academic, compliance and quality data scores

Combined Components for 2020-2021 Overall Sponsor Rating

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE		
Report Card Grade (or Equivalent)	Dropout Prevention and Recovery Report Card Rating	Points
A	Exceeds Standards	4
B		3
C	Meets Standards	2
D		1
F	Does Not Meet Standards	0



COMPLIANCE	
Rating	Points
Exceeds Expectations	4
Meets Expectations	3
Progressing Toward Expectations	2
Below Expectations	1
Significantly Below Expectations	0



QUALITY PRACTICE	
Overall Quality Rating	Points
Exceeds Standards	4
Meets Standards	3
Progressing Toward Standards	2
Below Standards	1
Significantly Below Standards	0



Overall Points	Sponsor Rating
10, 11, 12	Exemplary
7, 8, 9	Effective
3, 4, 5, 6	Ineffective
0, 1, 2	Poor

Overall Sponsor Ratings

Overall Points (2019-2020)*	Sponsor Rating	Overall Points (2020-2021)
7, 8	Exemplary	10, 11, 12
5, 6	Effective	7, 8, 9
2, 3, 4	Ineffective	3, 4, 5, 6
0, 1	Poor	0, 1, 2

*Note: The 2019-2020 sponsor evaluation only had two components: compliance and quality



Overall Sponsor Rating for 2020-2021

- If the sponsor scores 0 points on one of the three components, then the overall rating cannot be better than “Ineffective.”
- If the sponsor scores 0 points on two of the three components, then the overall rating cannot be better than “Poor.”



Calculating 2020-2021 Overall Rating and Score

Example 1: Sponsor A

- Has two community schools in its portfolio
- Academic performance rating of “C”
- Compliance rating of “Exceeds Expectations”
- Quality practice rating of “Meets Standards”

Calculating 2020-2021 Overall Rating and Score

Sponsor A

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE		
Report Card Grade (or Equivalent)	Dropout Prevention and Recovery Report Card Rating	Points
A	Exceeds Standards	4
B		3
C	Meets Standards	2
D		1
F	Does Not Meet Standards	0

2

+

4

+

3

COMPLIANCE	
Rating	Points
Exceeds Expectations	4
Meets Expectations	3
Progressing Toward Expectations	2
Below Expectations	1
Significantly Below Expectations	0

QUALITY PRACTICE	
Overall Quality Rating	Points
Exceeds Standards	4
Meets Standards	3
Progressing Toward Standards	2
Below Standards	1
Significantly Below Standards	0

Calculating 2020-2021 Overall Rating and Score

Sponsor A

Overall Points	Sponsor Rating
10, 11, 12	Exemplary
7, 8, 9	Effective
3, 4, 5, 6	Ineffective
0, 1, 2	Poor





Calculating 2020-2021 Overall Rating and Score

Example 2: Sponsor B

- Has one community school in its portfolio
- Dropout Prevention and Recovery Report Card rating of “Exceeds Expectations”
- Compliance rating of “Exceeds Expectations”
- Quality practice rating of “Significantly Below Standards”

Calculating 2020-2021 Overall Rating and Score

Sponsor B

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE		
Report Card Grade (or Equivalent)	Dropout Prevention and Recovery Report Card Rating	Points
A	Exceeds Standards	4
B		3
C	Meets Standards	2
D		1
F	Does Not Meet Standards	0

COMPLIANCE	
Rating	Points
Exceeds Expectations	4
Meets Expectations	3
Progressing Toward Expectations	2
Below Expectations	1
Significantly Below Expectations	0

QUALITY PRACTICE	
Rating	Points
Exceeds Standards	4
Meets Standards	3
Progressing Toward Standards	2
Below Standards	1
Significantly Below Standards	0

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Calculating 2020-2021 Overall Rating and Score

Sponsor B

Overall Points	Sponsor Rating
10, 11, 12	Exemplary
7, 8, 9	Effective
3, 4, 5, 6	Ineffective
0, 1, 2	Poor





Calculating 2020-2021 Overall Rating and Score

Example 3: Sponsor C

- Has one community school in its portfolio
- Academic performance rating of “A”
- Compliance rating of “Significantly Below Expectations”
- Quality practice rating of “Significantly Below Standards”

Calculating 2020-2021 Overall Rating and Score

Sponsor C

ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE		
Report Card Grade (or Equivalent)	Dropout Prevention and Recovery Report Card Rating	Points
A	Exceeds Standards	4
B		3
C	Meets Standards	2
D		1
F	Does Not Meet Standards	0

COMPLIANCE	
Rating	Points
Exceeds Expectations	4
Meets Expectations	3
Progressing Toward Expectations	2
Below Expectations	1
Significantly Below Expectations	0

QUALITY PRACTICE	
Rating	Points
Exceeds Standards	4
Meets Standards	3
Progressing Toward Standards	2
Below Standards	1
Significantly Below Standards	0

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Calculating 2020-2021 Overall Rating and Score

Sponsor C

Overall Points	Sponsor Rating
10, 11, 12	Exemplary
7, 8, 9	Effective
3, 4, 5, 6	Ineffective
0, 1, 2	Poor



Sponsor Evaluation Outcomes





Outcomes of Sponsor Evaluation Ratings

- **Determines eligibility to sponsor any new or additional community schools**
- **Impacts Department decisions about:**
 - Renewal of sponsorship agreements;
 - Sponsorship application and approval; and
 - Revocation of sponsorship.



Exemplary Rating Outcomes

- May sponsor new or additional community schools
- Sponsored community schools may be eligible to apply for a Charter Schools Program (CSP) Grant*

*Additional risk and eligibility factors may apply



Exemplary Rating Outcomes

Exemplary for two or more consecutive years

Sponsor may participate in the following incentives:

- Renewal of sponsorship agreement with the Department
- Ability to extend contract term with school beyond the term included in agreement with the Department
- Exemption from preliminary agreement and contract adoption and execution deadline requirements



Exemplary Rating Outcomes

Exemplary for two or more consecutive years

- Exemption from automatic contract expiration requirement if a new school fails to open by Sept. 30 of the year in which the contract is executed
- No limit on the number of community schools sponsored
- No territorial restrictions on sponsorship*

*May be subject to other statutory provisions



Effective Rating Outcomes

- May sponsor new or additional community schools
- Sponsored community schools may be eligible to apply for a Charter Schools Program (CSP) Grant*

*Additional risk and eligibility factors may apply



Rating of Exemplary or Effective for At Least Three Consecutive Years

- Sponsors evaluated by the Department once every three years



Ineffective Rating Outcomes

- Cannot sponsor any new or additional community schools
- Must develop a quality improvement plan with the Department



Ineffective Rating Outcomes

Ineffective for three consecutive years

- Sponsorship revocation
- Sponsor may appeal the revocation within 30 days of receiving the rating
- Revocation will not occur until the appeal process is finished



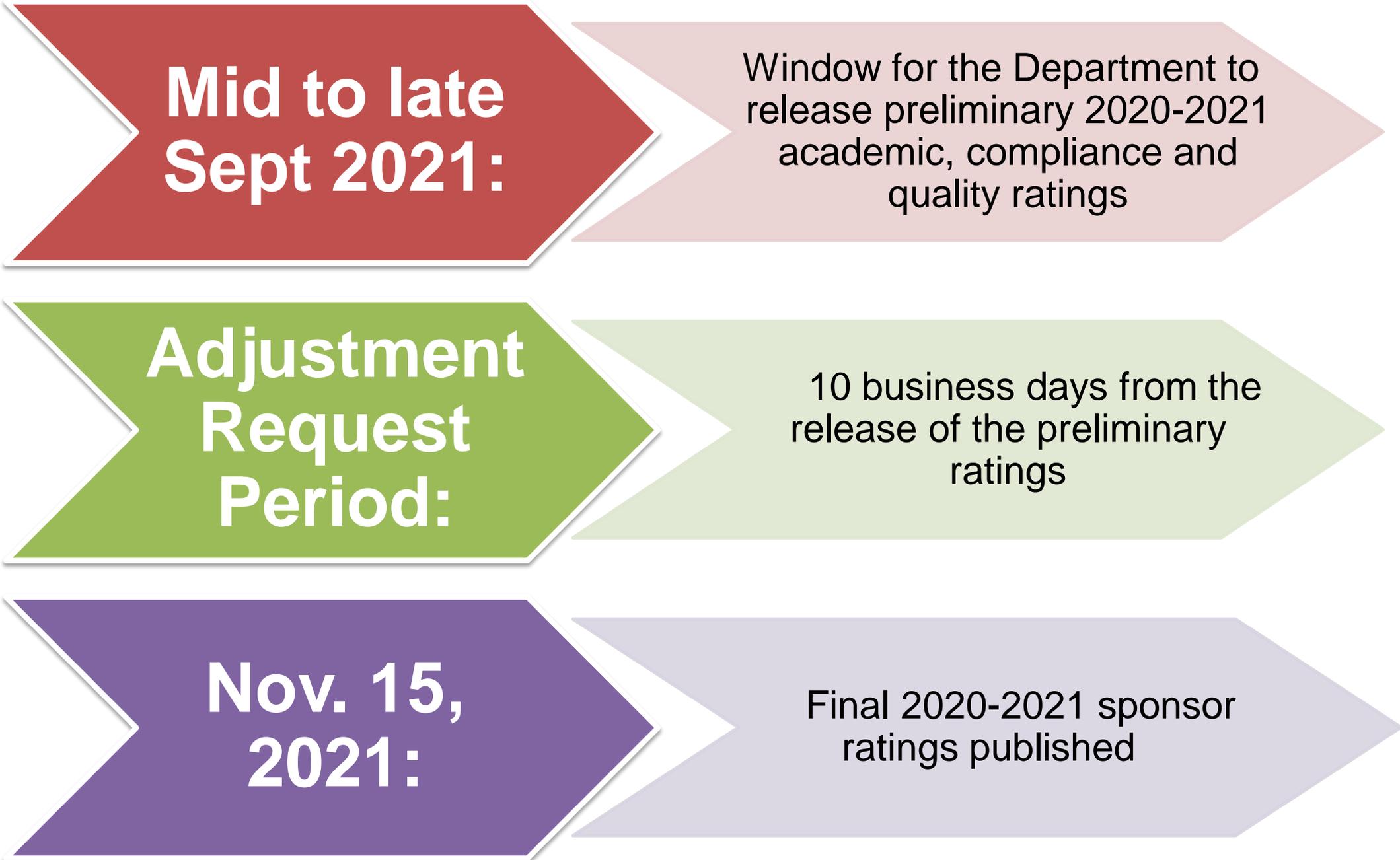
Poor Rating Outcomes

- Sponsorship revocation
- Sponsor may appeal the revocation within 30 days of receiving the rating
- Revocation will not occur until the appeal process is finished

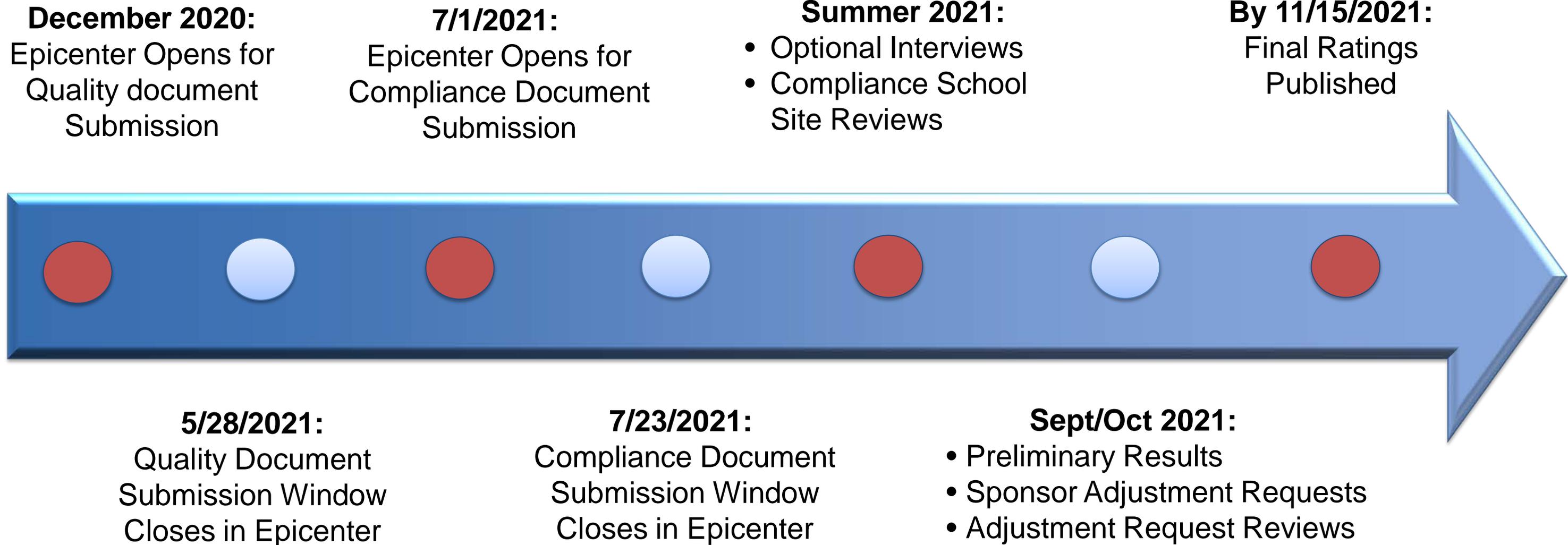
Sponsorship Revocation

- Schools are assumed by the Office of Ohio School Sponsorship (OSS) at the Department for the remainder of the school year
- OSS may continue to sponsor the schools for up to two years from the sponsor's revocation or until schools find a new sponsor, whichever comes first

2020-2021 Sponsor Evaluation Results



2020-2021 Sponsor Evaluation Timeline



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