

Option 1:

Process for calculating a combined school:

1. A school that includes elementary and middle school grades but not high school grades will receive a single performance and improvement category grade under this rule
2. (h) A school that includes elementary or middle school grades and high school grades will receive a single performance and improvement category grade as described in subsections (i) through (k)
 - a. (i) The ...grade for a school described in subsection (h) shall be based on the elementary, middle, and high school scores weighted by the percentages determined by the following:
 - i. The number of students enrolled in grades 3 through 8...
 - ii. The number of students in the cohorts for grades 9 through 12...
 - b. (j) A school's ... grade shall be determined by:
 - i. Multiplying the average of the ELA and Math points for the EMS grades by the percentage of students
 - ii. Multiplying the sum of the four weighted scores for the high school by the percentage of students

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Comment [1]: This definition excludes John Marshall because it does not include middle school grades.

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Comment [2]: This is a loophole. Christel House doesn't have the four weighted scores, so you can't calculate the combined school grade with this methodology.

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Comment [3]: This loophole would only apply to combined schools that have grade configurations that do not include all the four measures in the high school model.

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Comment [4]: This process would still apply to John Marshall because it is not a combined school.

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Comment [5]: Christel House is not a high school because it includes grades other than 9,10,11, and 12.

Process for calculating Grade 9 and 10 High schools:

1. The ... grade of a high school that does not include grade 12 shall be based solely on the ELA and Math ECA as determined under this section. Each score shall be weighted with a multiplier of .50. The grade assigned by the board shall be determined by the sum of the two (2) weighted scores in accordance with the scale in subsection (y).

Open questions:

1. How many schools that had been calculated via the combined calculation will now be calculated solely on the EMS model? In other words, how many schools have middle school grades and high school grades but not 12th grade? **13**

Richmond Academy

Christel House Academy

Hammond Academy of Science & Tech

Indpls Lighthouse Charter School

Hoosier Acad Virtual Charter Sch

Gary Lighthouse Charter School

West Gary Lighthouse

LEAD College Prep

Anderson Preparatory Academy

Indiana Math & Science Academy

Indiana Connections Academy
International School of Columbus
Eman Schools

There are only 6 high schools that will be calculated on the 9&10 model only

2. If this loophole isn't closed, will it incentivize schools to adopt a 6-10 grade configuration? **Not in the immediate if we don't advertise this everywhere.**
3. Would Christel House receive a separate grade for its 9th and 10th graders or would it be labeled as "incomplete"? **no additional grade, no label....the school is one school so it would receive that one grade.**
4. We could close this loophole through a rule revision and create a provision for high schools open for less than three years. **When we re-open the rule this fall we should consider this**

Option 2:

Christel House's website mentions *Watanabe High School* as part of the academy. This begs the question, "why are we calculating it as a combined school?" Yes, Christel House has only one school ID number, but we could either a.) infer that it is actually 2 schools and calculate an EMS grade and a HS grade; or b.) give Watanabe High School a new school ID number.