



What is the SLDS?

The Statewide Longitudinal Data System (SLDS) stores current and historical data from K-12 education, higher education, and workforce sources giving decision makers access to readily available data to make well-informed decisions.

SLDS Includes:

- Student demographics
- Attendance and enrollment data
- ND State Assessment and other performance assessments
- Historical grades
- Graduation and dropout information
- College and career readiness

What can the SLDS be used for?

- **Superintendents** can identify trends that indicate success or concern to guide the district to continuously improve teaching and learning.
- **Principals** can review performance data to determine if students are at risk and respond with intervention programs.
- **School Board Members** can compare their school's student performance data to peer school data to see their areas of strengths and weaknesses.
- **Teachers** can strengthen curriculum and differentiate their instruction to meet student learning needs based on performance and attendance data.
- **Parents** can access their child's e-transcript for review and passage to North Dakota public colleges and universities.
- **Students** can view their data to set goals and monitor their progress.
- **Researchers** can analyze student performance data to identify high performing programs and best practices and share them with similar districts.
- **Legislators** can learn if employers are finding a well-trained workforce for job opportunities.
- **Universities** can determine if post-secondary graduates are finding employment in North Dakota along with wages and areas of employment.



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Additional Benefits

Students:

- Electronic transcript submission to North Dakota public colleges and universities.
- Easy process for scholarship application and review.
- Individual academic performance information assists in planning for college readiness.
- Students take ownership of achievement by having access to their performance results and have an opportunity to work on strategies to improve.

K-20 Teachers & Administration:

- All information is available from one source with predefined reports available or data may be downloaded for customized reports and analysis.
- Immediate transfer of student data as students move between ND public schools reducing the disruption of educational services.
- Automatic daily upload of student data provides real-time accuracy for teachers and administrators to respond to student learning needs and school-wide trends.
- Documentation needed for the school accreditation process, such as AdvanceED, is significantly easier to access and distribute electronically.
- Facilitates a data culture of common language and builds teams that focus on gathering, interpreting and analyzing data.

Statewide Stakeholders:

- Single source of information that can be viewed longitudinally across multiple data sets.
- Streamlines the process to meet state and federal reporting requirements.
- Allows for collaborative study and improvement planning among education and state agencies.

