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Methodology to Identify Successful Schools for Case Study

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Data Sources

- Arkansas Department of Education
 - Teacher experience, salary, and headcount
 - Revenues, expenditures, and district size
- University of Arkansas Office of Education Policy
 - Combined value-added scores (growth measure)
 - Math, ELA, ELP scores
 - Accounts for how many (or few) EL students there are at a given school
 - School and district demographic data

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Statistical Methodology

- Carried out exploratory analyses
 - Correlations between variables
 - Inform model specification
- Fit a statistical model using 2018 data
 - Mixed, or hierarchical linear model
 - Accounts for school and district factors
- Predicted growth based on 2019 data
 - Based predictions historical student data
 - Generated predictions for all accountability schools
- Assessed the fit of our model
 - Compared actual and predicted values

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Case Study School Identification

- Ranked schools based on performance
 - The highest ranked schools outperformed expectations
- Filtered list by selection criteria
 - A letter grade of A, B, or C (if they improved between 2018 and 2019)
 - A higher than average low-income student percentage (63%); or
 - A higher than average LEP student percentage (8%)
 - Only schools that outperformed expectations*
 - 181 schools were eligible for selection
- Grouped schools by region
 - Northwest, Northeast, Central, Southwest, Southeast

* One selected school did not outperform expectations (predicted values) but was the highest performing school in the region.

Case Study Schools: By Region **Northwest** Northeast Central Southwest Southeast Region Region Region Region Region Lamar Weiner Theodore Jones Oscar Hamilton Des Ark **Elementary Elementary** Elementary Elementary **Elementary** Lisa Academy Helen Tyson Middle School Mena Middle Crossett Middle Paragould North Middle School Junior High School* School **North Little** Lafayette Jasper High Riverview High **Rock Center for** Lakeside High County High Excellence





