Rochester Christian University

Educator Preparation Institution (EPI) 2025 Performance Score (for Measure 2) Satisfaction of Employers and Stakeholder Involvement

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The EPI Performance Score is annually calculated by the Michigan Department of Education, based on ratings in multiple categories:

- Candidate Selection and Completion
- Knowledge and Skills for Teaching
- Performance as a Classroom Teacher
- Robust Clinical Experiences

Data sources for the EPI score comprise:

- Completers' Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) cumulative pass rates
- The prior year's candidates' and supervisors' satisfaction surveys collected from the Candidate Survey Suites
- The end of year Educator Effectiveness Ratings for the graduates' first 3 years of teaching (as given by their principals through state-mandated teacher evaluations and impact on student learning)
- School Administrator Surveys
- School demographics

RCU's most recent overall EPI performance score is 93.7% with 77% as the MDE benchmark required to meet satisfactory requirements.

Analysis for (4.4) Program Partnerships: Efficacy for seven questions on the Candidate Survey Suite (Candidate Supervisor and Cooperating Teacher surveys only) assess the strength of the relationship between the EPP and the P-12 partner and then are calculated for each group. The average of the two efficacies is used to determine the percentage for the "Program Partnerships, CS/CT Ratings" on the EPI Report. Rochester Christian University received a 96.4% average for the strength of the partnership compared to 91.7% average for the State and corroborates with other data that indicate RCU provides supportive and mutually beneficial relationships during the student teaching experience.