

# THE PARENT POWER INDEX SCORING RUBRIC

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STATE	PERCENT PPI	Rank as of August 2013	Rank as of April 2013	Rank as of January 2013	Rank as of Sept 2012	Charter Schools	School Choice	Teacher Quality	Online Learning	AVERAGE	Parent Trigger	Transparency	School Board Elections	Bonus Points	FINAL SCORE
INDIANA	87.0%	1	1	1	1	4.0	3.0	2.3	2.0	3.16	✓	✓		0.06	3.22
FLORIDA	84.0%	2	2	2	2	3.3	2.0	3.0	3.7	2.83		✓	✓	0.02	2.85
OHIO	82.0%	3	4	3	3	2.3	3.3	2.7	1.3	2.60	✓	✓	✓	0.07	2.67
LOUISIANA	81.0%	4	3	6	6	2.3	3.0	1.7	2.3	2.49	✓	✓		0.06	2.55
ARIZONA	80.0%	5	6	4	4	3.3	2.5	1.3	1.3	2.50		✓	✓	0.02	2.52
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	79.0%	6	5	5	5	4.0	1.3	1.0	N/A	2.41		✓	✓	0.02	2.43
WISCONSIN	77.5%	7	8	9	10	2.3	3.0	1.0	1.0	2.24				0.00	2.24
GEORGIA	77.0%	8	7	12	12	2.3	1.7	2.0	3.0	2.13		✓	✓	0.02	2.15
MINNESOTA	76.6%	9	9	7	9	4.0	0.0	1.7	3.0	2.09		✓	✓	0.02	2.11
UTAH	76.4%	10	10	10	8	2.7	1.0	1.7	3.7	2.06		✓	✓	0.02	2.08
MICHIGAN	76.2%	11	11	11	11	4.0	0.0	2.3	2.0	2.04		✓	✓	0.02	2.06
PENNSYLVANIA	73.0%	12	12	8	7	2.3	2.0	1.3	0.0	1.78		✓	✓	0.02	1.80
COLORADO	72.0%	13	13	14	14	3.0	0.5	2.0	1.3	1.73			✓	0.01	1.74
SOUTH CAROLINA	71.0%	14	16	23	25	2.7	0.5	1.7	2.0	1.66		✓	✓	0.02	1.68
OKLAHOMA	71.0%	15	14	13	13	2.0	1.0	2.7	1.0	1.59				0.00	1.59
NEW YORK	70.5%	16	15	16	16	3.3	0.0	2.0	0.0	1.49		✓		0.01	1.50
NORTH CAROLINA	70.0%	17	21	31	31	1.7	1.0	1.7	1.7	1.44		✓	✓	0.02	1.46
CALIFORNIA	68.5%	18	17	22	20	3.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	1.29	✓			0.05	1.34
IDAHO	68.0%	19	18	15	15	2.7	0.0	1.3	1.0	1.30		✓		0.01	1.31
RHODE ISLAND	67.6%	20	19	21	22	1.3	0.5	2.7	1.3	1.18			✓	0.10	1.28
MISSOURI	67.4%	21	20	17	17	3.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	1.25				0.00	1.25
WASHINGTON	67.2%	22	38	28	30	2.0	0.0	1.7	2.0	1.21		✓		0.01	1.22
DELAWARE	66.4%	23	22	24	24	2.3	0.0	2.0	0.0	1.11		✓		0.01	1.12
TEXAS	66.2%	24	23	20	21	1.7	0.0	1.7	1.7	1.06	✓			0.05	1.11
NEVADA	66.0%	25	24	19	19	2.0	0.0	1.7	1.0	1.09		✓	✓	0.02	1.11

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TENNESSEE	65.6%	26	25	18	18	2.0	0.0	2.7	0.0	1.09		✓		0.01	1.10
MAINE	65.4%	27	26	37	36	1.7	0.5	0.7	1.3	1.08				0.00	1.08
NEW MEXICO	65.2%	28	27	32	32	2.0	0.0	1.3	1.0	1.04		✓		0.01	1.05
MASSACHUSETTS	65.0%	29	28	25	23	2.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	1.00		✓		0.01	1.01
OREGON	64.6%	30	29	27	28	2.0	0.0	0.7	0.7	0.93		✓		0.01	0.94
NEW JERSEY	64.4%	31	30	33	33	2.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.91		✓		0.01	0.92
HAWAII	64.2%	32	32	38	42	1.7	0.0	0.7	1.0	0.85				0.00	0.85
ARKANSAS	63.5%	33	33	34	34	1.3	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.74		✓		0.01	0.75
ILLINOIS	63.0%	34	31	26	29	1.3	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.74		✓		0.01	0.75
NEW HAMPSHIRE	62.5%	35	34	40	39	1.0	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.65		✓		0.01	0.66
CONNECTICUT	62.0%	36	35	36	37	1.0	0.0	1.7	0.0	0.59	✓		✓	0.06	0.65
WYOMING	61.0%	37	36	30	26	0.7	0.0	1.0	1.3	0.55				0.00	0.55
MARYLAND	60.6%	38	37	39	38	1.0	0.0	1.3	0.0	0.54				0.00	0.54
VIRGINIA	60.4%	39	39	35	35	0.0	0.0	1.3	2.7	0.50		✓		0.01	0.51
KANSAS	60.2%	40	41	49	49	0.0	0.0	1.0	2.7	0.46				0.00	0.46
MISSISSIPPI	59.6%	41	40	41	40	0.0	0.5	1.3	0.0	0.35	✓	✓		0.06	0.41
ALABAMA	59.4%	42	46	42	41	0.0	0.5	1.7	0.0	0.40				0.00	0.40
ALASKA	59.2%	43	42	29	27	0.7	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.39		✓		0.01	0.40
WEST VIRGINIA	58.6%	44	43	44	44	0.0	0.0	1.3	1.3	0.33				0.00	0.33
IOWA	58.4%	45	48	46	46	0.0	0.5	1.0	0.0	0.31		✓		0.01	0.32
SOUTH DAKOTA	58.2%	46	44	48	48	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.3	0.29		✓		0.01	0.30
VERMONT	57.5%	47	45	45	45	0.0	0.5	0.7	0.0	0.28			✓	0.01	0.29
KENTUCKY	57.0%	48	47	43	43	0.0	0.0	1.3	0.7	0.25			✓	0.01	0.26
NORTH DAKOTA	56.5%	49	49	47	47	0.0	0.0	1.0	0.0	0.13		✓		0.01	0.14
NEBRASKA	56.0%	50	50	50	50	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.09				0.00	0.09
MONTANA	0.0%	51	51	51	51	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.00				0.00	0.00

Note: The formula was created with individualized scores for each Element of Power, each converted to a four-point scale and combines to make up an averaged GPA which was then converted to a percentage of power for each state. Charter Schools and School Choice were weighted as 75% of the overall grade. Bonus points are calculated based on whether a state has a parent trigger law, and whether or not information on schools and school board elections are transparent, or available to the public. States earn .05 for having a parent trigger law and .01 each for transparency of schools and school board elections, for a possible bonus total of .07. Ties are broken based on choice implementation and how influential these categories are on affording parents true power.