



ActiveDashboards

Visibly Improving Results

SCHOOLS Product Brochure



“ The Active Dashboards software eliminated an enormous amount of preparation time for us prior to our inspection of the school’s key performance data – there’s no need for reams of spreadsheets anymore. ”

TIM THOMAS
TRINITY HIGH SCHOOL, REDDITCH

Introduction

The success story that is Active Dashboards has been achieved by putting the needs of schools at the heart of what we do. As a result, our brand name has become synonymous with innovative and engaging reporting for schools. This brochure provides an introduction into how we can help you and your school to achieve better results, through better reporting. Read on to discover more.

What Active Dashboards offers

Active Dashboards helps schools to better understand their data. By displaying information in a range of engaging graphical formats it ensures that everyone is better informed. The applications for Active Dashboards within schools are almost unlimited, ranging from presenting real-time information such as attendance, through to analysing financial results, academic achievement and benchmarking results against peers. The value it generates can be measured in terms of time saved in searching for information, more effectively communicating goals and providing an early-warning system for addressing issues before they become problems.

A strong past and a promising future

We have passed many milestones of success including the implementation of Active Dashboards within some of the UK's leading schools. However, we are not complacent: our latest release of Active Dashboards now delivers even greater reporting capabilities for schools, containing many features that have been influenced by our successes in the sector.

How can we help your School?

Active Dashboards provides a practical tool that enables schools to realise the full value of their information. The flexible analytical capabilities in Active Dashboards can empower your school to see the results, trends and statistics that are of greatest value. Our in-depth knowledge and experience is reflected in the capabilities of the latest release of Active Dashboards.

Delivering Results for Schools

Active Dashboards is a graphical reporting solution that gives Schools the information needed to operate with greater freedom and accountability.

Unlike traditional reporting tools, Active Dashboards connects to and combines data from multiple systems to deliver a single, clear picture of results for use throughout the school at the click of a mouse. Drill down capabilities provide direct access to underlying detailed information to enable trends and factors affecting achievement levels to be easily identified. Presenting results in a standard web browser. Active Dashboards provides day to day reporting capabilities that enable schools to make information available quickly and easily.

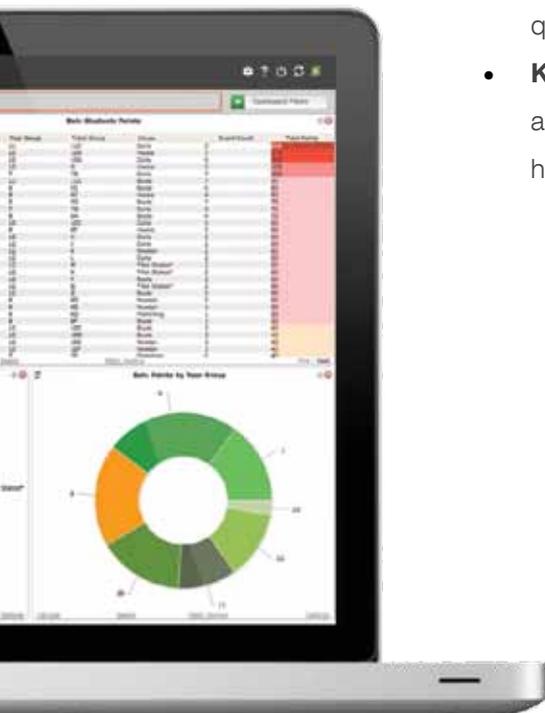
Active Dashboards enables schools to more easily meet their obligations to learners, parents, the community, staff and the government. Providing a practical tool that facilitates good, clear communication, Active Dashboards supports leadership teams and staff at all levels in making the right decisions. Active Dashboards provides the data they need, when they need it, enabling schools to implement new practices and illustrate results to discover what is working and what needs to change.



What can Active Dashboards do for our School?

By making the information held on systems used within schools more accessible, Active Dashboards offers benefits in a range of areas, including:

- **Supporting learners:** helping pupils to reach their potential by monitoring key stage results;
- **Aiding the achievement of financial targets:** by presenting key financial metrics such as expenditure and income information in clear unambiguous formats that can be communicated to non-financial staff;
- **Enhancing communication:** graphically illustrating targets and the reporting of outcomes - turning results into information that can be used to reward and motivate;
- **Reinforcing best practice:** helping teachers to easily monitor the results of their own teaching groups and to identify where the adoption of best practices are helping to support the achievement of better outcomes;
- **Streamlining operations:** revealing opportunities for improving performance, streamlining and shortening meetings and reinforcing standards;
- **Simplifying distribution and delegation:** accessible via desktop, laptop, tablet or mobile devices, giving leadership teams and staff the information they need, whenever they need it;
- **Simplifying government reporting:** as requirements are satisfied more quickly and with less effort;
- **Keeping parents informed:** clearly illustrating the standards to which a school is aspiring and the progress their children are making, thereby helping to build an effective partnership.



What Features Does Active Dashboards Offer?

The ability to integrate directly with the data that resides in the different applications already in use within schools enables Active Dashboards to present data in ways that promote informed decision-making. Information is presented in clear, easily interpreted charts that avoid the sometimes overwhelming nature of traditional reports.

Features include:

- **Simple, intuitive visual chart display options:** with an inbuilt flexibility that enables users to change presentation options to reflect their personal needs;
- **Point and click drill down facilities:** give access to underlying data with a single click of a mouse;
- **A wide range of display options:** enabling information to be displayed on a desktop, laptop, tablet or mobile device for personal use or in meetings, or displayed on LCD screens to communicate results to a wider audience;
- **A solution that provides a “single version of the truth”:** by connecting directly to disparate data sources and presenting a consolidated view, eliminating disparities between individual system reports available to users;
- **A rapid return on investment:** Active Dashboards can be implemented and producing reports within a matter of days, generating a rapid return on investment.

Implementation

Our fully inclusive and proven implementation model includes installation and configuration by Education Specialists using a proven, comprehensive and flexible approach that covers all of the activities needed to implement the software and configure our library of graphical dashboard templates to meet your school's needs.

Active Dashboards presents the information required for effective management and establishes an early warning system for issues by generating email alerts that produce a positive and sustained impact on results.

ALERT TYPE: TARGET

Performance: Assessments

5+ A*-C projected grades below 80% percentage
Week Ending: 11/12/2012

View Assessment Dashboard



ALERT TYPE: WARNING

Budgets: Overspends

Department: IT
10% Overspend
Week Ending: 12/12/2012

View Finance Dashboard



ALERT TYPE: WARNING

Attendance Level: Year 9

Below required target
Week Ending: 13/12/2012

View Attendance Dashboard



Example: Email Alerts

Raising Standards for Schools

Active Dashboards includes a range of prebuilt dashboard reporting templates that easily establishes advanced reporting capabilities in schools. Here we explore some examples.



Key Stage Assessments

Active Dashboards delivers a clear analysis of results and of pupils' progress across all subject areas and key stages.

Target Setting

Active Dashboards clearly communicates targets for pupils, subjects, departments and the entire school, enabling staff and pupils to achieve more.



A Clear Picture of Performance

In-built data analysis capabilities combined with advanced graphics make it easy to represent information in ways that can be easily understood by teachers, Governors and school leaders.



Good governance

In addition, template dashboards specifically designed to meet the needs of Governors and the school leadership team, deliver an insight into school performance and contextual information.





Speak to one of our advisors to find out how your School could benefit from Active Dashboards.

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