

Testing ABCs

Learning about the New State Testing Student Reports

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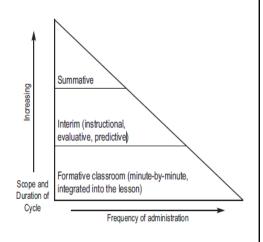
Presentation Agenda

- Assessment WHAT and WHY
- SBAC Overview
- Student Score Report
- Accessing public websites for summary results
 CDE
- SAUSD district-wide summary results
- Resources



The WHAT and WHY of Assessment?

- Assessment is the ongoing process that is used to gather evidence about what a student knows, understands and can do.
- A comprehensive approach uses different types of assessment including formative, interim and summative assessment to evaluate to what extent students are learning based on the state standards and local goals.
- These results can be used to help make instructional decisions and create plans and next steps for improvement.



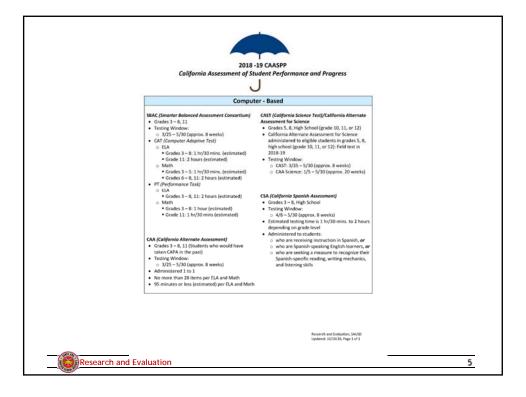


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A Test Score is Just One Part of a Larger Picture

- CAASPP scores provide a key measure of how students are doing—whether they need more help or should be accelerated.
- Yet as important as they are, ultimately tests are just one way to assess the progress of students—like a report card or grades on class assignments. An academic check-up, these tests are simply one tool for teachers to gauge what students know.





SBAC Overview

- The Smarter Balanced (SBAC) assessments were administered for the first time in 2015. These assessments, aligned with new California standards that are based on the Common Core, are more challenging than the previous California Standards Tests (CSTs). SBAC test results from last and this year should *not* be compared to previous CST results.
- SBAC measures knowledge and skills in English language arts/literacy (ELA) and Mathematics for grades 3-8 and 11. These standards are meant to foster college and career readiness. Prior to 2014-15, the CSTs tested students in grades 2-11.
- To receive an achievement level on the SBAC assessments, students at every grade tested in both subjects had to complete the Computer Adaptive Test (CAT) and the Performance Task (PT).
- Because we have been using the SBAC assessments for over three years, we are now able to measure improvement from the last three years.

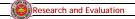


New Standards and Tests: Challenging for Schools to Teach and Students to Learn

California is raising the bar for good reason—students need strong math and reading skills to graduate ready for college and a $21^{\rm st}$ century career.

These new tests are more rigorous than the old, multiple choice exams. Students must now:

- · Explain how they solve problems
- · Think critically
- · Write analytically

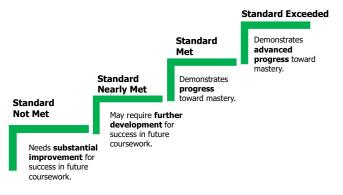


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How Student Performance is Reported on the Smarter Balanced Assessments

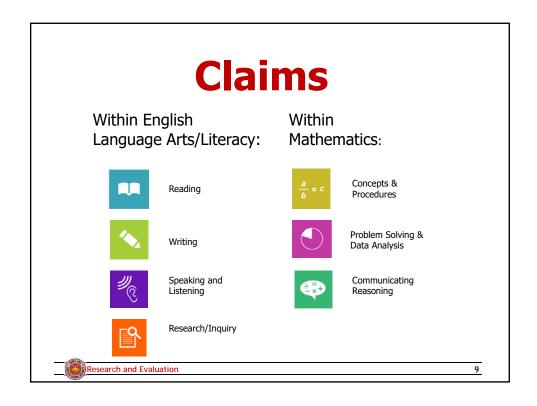
Overall Score and Achievement Level

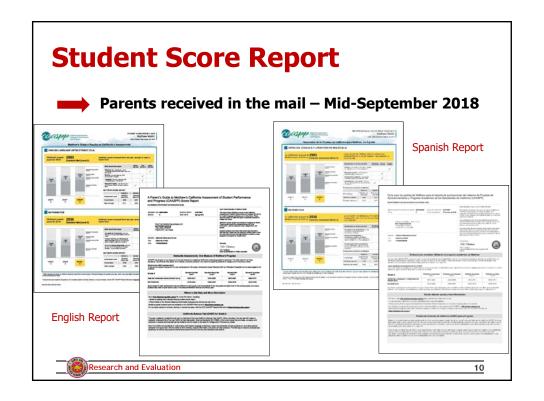
For each grade level and subject area, students receive a score from 2000 to 3000. The overall score falls into one of four achievement levels:



Find more information about Achievement Level Descriptors on the CDE Smarter Balanced Assessment System Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/sa/index.asp.

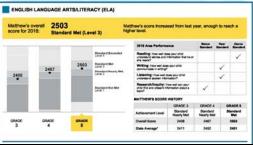
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Understanding CAASPP Scores

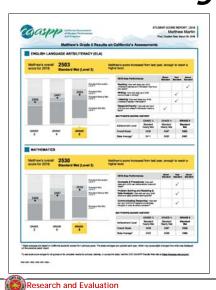
- · Grading and Reporting
 - · Score reports were mailed to parents in Mid-September 2018
 - Overall Scores. Each student will receive an overall score for English language arts/literacy (ELA) and mathematics, expressed as a number between 2000 and 3000
 - Achievement Levels. Each overall score falls into one of four achievement levels: standard not met, standard nearly met, standard met, and standard exceeded
 - ELA: Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening, Research/Inquiry
 - Math: Concepts and Procedures, Problem Solving and Data Analysis, Communicating Reasoning



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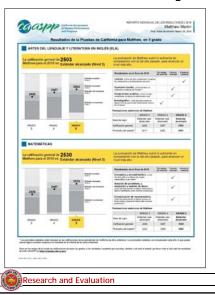
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SBAC – Sample Score Report - English





SBAC – Sample Score Report - Spanish





SBAC – Student Score Report Guide - *English*







The Student Score Report Guides are posted on the CDE CAASPP Web page at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/caasppssreports.asp.

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SBAC – Understanding Your Child's Score Report

Videos in English and Spanish have been posted on the California Department of Education's website

The videos will help you and your child learn about California's new Student Score Report of year-end standardized test results

Click on the picture to access either the English or Spanish video





English Video

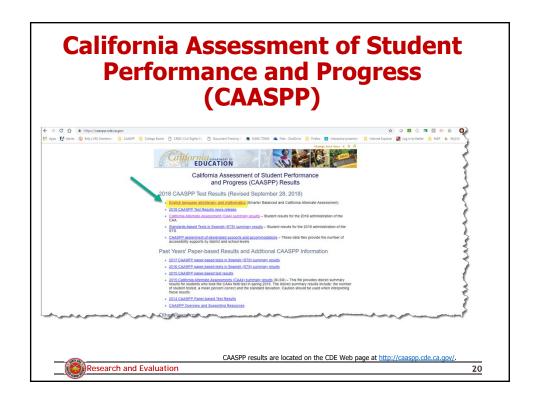
Spanish Video

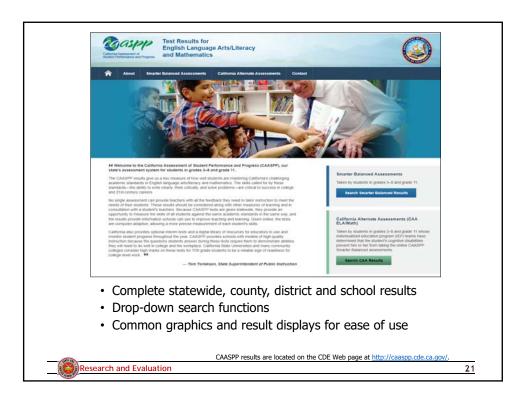


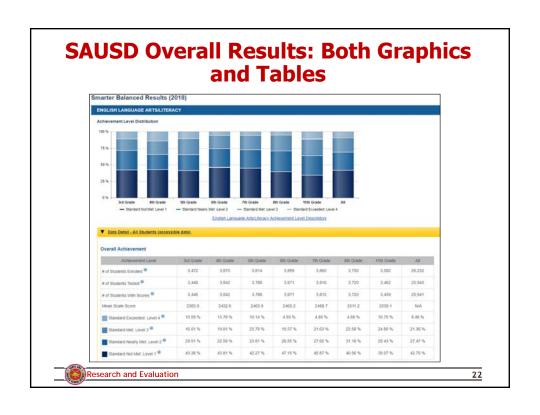




SAUSD - CAASPP / SBAC Parent Webpage (3 of 3) CAASPF - Colloring Assessment of Student Performance and Progress SMAC - Structure Endocrated Assessment Consortium CAST - Colloring Soletine I Section Selection Section Secti



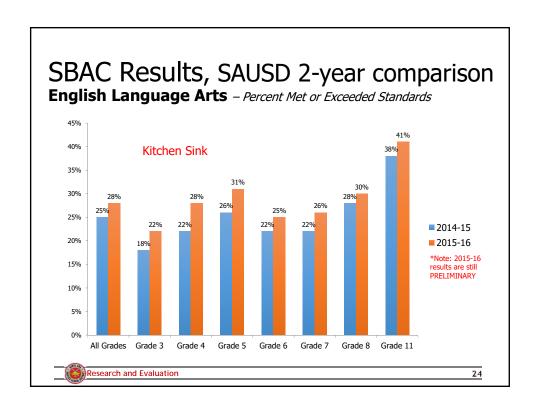


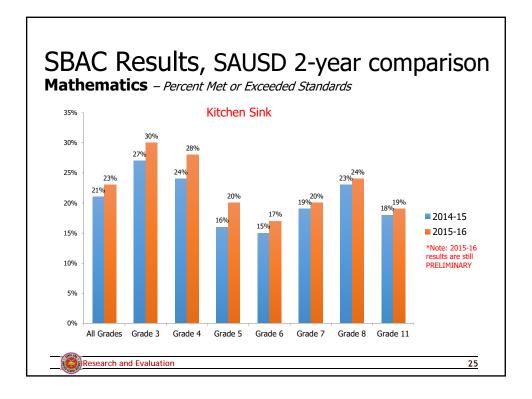


SBAC Summary Results



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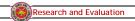
SAUSD Results - Highlights

Talking Points

Student Group: ALL Students

(Note that Hispanic and Economically Disadvantaged Subgroups are similar to ALL Students)

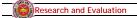
- For ELA, 48 of 56 schools (86%) made positive gains in percentage points of students who met or exceeded standards
- For Math, 39 of 56 schools (70%) made positive gains in percentage points of students who met or exceeded standards



How Reports Are Used

Results from the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessments provide one piece of information about a student's academic performance that can:

- Help facilitate conversations between parents/guardians and teachers about student performance.
- Serve as a tool to help parents/guardians and teachers work together to improve student learning.
- Help schools and school districts identify strengths and areas that need improvement in their educational programs.
- Provide the public and policymakers with information about student achievement.

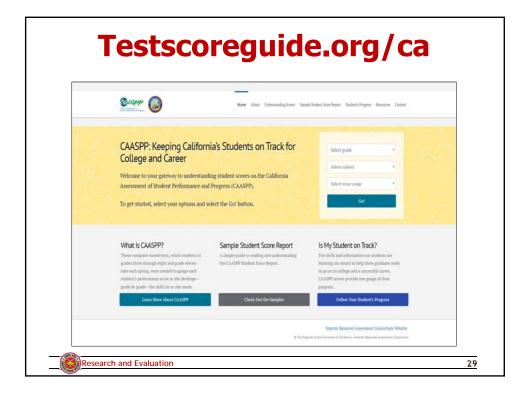


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Help Available for Parents, Teachers, and Schools

- Testscoreguide.org/ca: Grade-by-grade, subject and score-specific information.
- Downloadable guides for parents and teachers.
- Practice tests at every grade in both English language arts/literacy and mathematics.





Other Resources & Information

California Department of Education: https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/ CAASPP: http://caaspp.org/

Helpful Links:

- http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/sa/sbvideo.asp: a short video (2:56) from CDE explaining how the SBAC fits into the CAASPP System
- https://youtu.be/xEDnk0I5unA: video from CDE explaining the Individual Student Score Report (6:09)
- https://youtu.be/MCzIZSJDfUs: Spanish version of the video above (7:45)
- http://www.smarterbalanced.org/assessments/sample-questions/: view sample SBAC questions in ELA and math
- http://www.sausd.us/Page/29626: link to access the practice/training tests from our R&E page on the public website



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Questions?

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