



THE GUIDE TO YOUR CAASPP STUDENT SCORE REPORT



CALIFORNIA STANDARDS TESTS FOR SCIENCE OR CALIFORNIA MODIFIED ASSESSMENT FOR SCIENCE

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

This guide will help you follow your child's report and the recommendations that are provided.

1 Your child's information

Here you find your child's student number, date of birth, grade, test date, school, and local educational agency. If available, your mailing address also appears in this section.

2 Introductory Letter from the State Superintendent of Public Instruction

Dear Parent/Guardian of [Child's Name]:

The 2015 California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) included a science test for children in grade 10. This report shows your child's scores on this [California Standards Test (CST) or California Modified Assessment (CMA)] for science.

Next year as a grade eleven student, your child will be taking part in new tests for English language arts/literacy and mathematics. These new, online assessments are replacing former tests to provide better information and help students learn. New assessments are part of California's comprehensive plan for high-quality teaching and learning. This plan includes higher academic standards, more decision-making in the hands of local schools, and more resources dedicated to schools and students with the greatest needs.

For a complete picture of your child's progress, I encourage you to discuss these results with your child's teacher(s).

3 Your child's results on the CST or CMA for Science

See how your child did on the CST or CMA for Science by looking where the pointer indicates on the performance level band. The number above the pointer is your child's exact test score on the science test. There are five performance levels: advanced, proficient, basic, below basic, and far below basic. The goal in California is to have all students perform at proficient or above.

4 A new kind of test next year

This section describes, in more detail, the new tests for English language arts/literacy and mathematics your child will take next year in the eleventh grade.

More about the CAASPP System

Questions about the CAASPP System or your child's test results should first be directed to your child's teacher(s). Additional information may be available through the school principal or counselor or on the California Department of Education, CAASPP Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/>.

Posted: August 2015

This information is about the CAASPP score report for the CST or CMA for Science in grade 10.

STUDENT SCORE REPORT

Using Assessments to Help Students Learn

LOCAL ID #: 12367
STUDENT #: 1234567890
GRADE: 10
DATE OF BIRTH: 02/01/1999
TEST DATE: SPRING 2015

Dear Parent/Guardian of Robison Smith:
The 2015 California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) included a science test for children in grade 10. This report shows Robison's scores on the California Standards Test (CST) for science.
Next year as a grade eleven student, Robison will be taking part in new tests for English language arts/literacy and mathematics. These new, online assessments are replacing former tests to provide better information and help students learn. New assessments are part of California's comprehensive plan for high-quality teaching and learning. This plan includes higher academic standards, more decision-making in the hands of local schools, and more resources dedicated to schools and students with the greatest needs.
For a complete picture of your child's progress, I encourage you to discuss these results with Robison's teacher(s).

Sincerely,
Tom Torlakson
State Superintendent of Public Instruction

FOR THE PARENT/GUARDIAN OF:
Robison Smith
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City, CA 95655-9282

SCHOOL: California High School
LEA: California Unified

Robison's Results on the California Standards Test (CST)

SCIENCE
Robison's score is 280 - Below Basic

280

Far Below Basic (150-269) | Below Basic (269-299) | Basic (300-349) | Proficient (350-399) | Advanced (399-600)

State target for all students

Robison's score of 280 is in the Below Basic level on California Standards Test for science.
To meet federal test requirements, California administered the California Standards Test for science to all students in grades 5, 8, and 10. This test is not aligned with California's recently adopted Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). Assessments based on these standards are being developed.

Next Year: A New Kind of Test for Robison

The CAASPP tests for English language arts/literacy and mathematics that Robison will take next year in grade eleven will be more challenging than California's previous assessments, with deeper content that will be needed to prepare students for college and the 21st century job market. These new tests will contain a wider variety of questions, tasks, and problems than traditional multiple-choice tests. This allows students to demonstrate analytical writing, critical thinking, and problem solving skills along with their knowledge of facts.
Test results are one window into a student's academic growth; a single test can provide only limited information. Like any important measure of your child's performance, they should be viewed with other available information, such as classroom tests, assignments, and grades.
Assessments represent just one part of California's comprehensive plan for high-quality teaching and learning. Gradually, California is providing more training for teachers, more resources for students and more access to technology.
Making these changes will take time and effort, but they are designed to helping students succeed in the long run and achieve their dreams of college and a career. Find out more at your child's school, or online at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/>

Find complete results for schools, local education agencies (LEAs), and statewide at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/> and your School Accountability Report Card (SARC) on the CDE SARC Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/> or ask for a copy of the SARC at your child's school.