

**Tredyffrin/Easttown School District  
BOARD EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

October 15, 2026  
7:00 p.m.  
TEAO, Meeting Room 200

**Agenda**

- I. Review of September 2026 Minutes
- II. Review Revised 2027-2028 Calendar
- III. Assessment Report
- IV. Public Comment

Next meeting: **November 12, 2026**

**Education Committee Goals for 2026-27**

1. Receive and review recommended modifications and enhancements to the District's academic program and schedule, including planning for full-day Kindergarten.
2. Receive and review the TESD calendar for the coming year and send to the full Board for approval.
3. Analyze demographic, enrollment and staffing data in order to project the space required for the delivery of the District's educational program.
4. Review enhancements to District curriculum and to instructional practices that advance the District's equity initiative.
5. Review summary data on student progress and District plans to address trends in that data.
6. Receive updates on educational enhancements supporting environmental sustainability.

DRAFT PENDING COMMITTEE APPROVAL  
**BOARD EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
**September 10, 2026**  
Tredyffrin/Easttown Administrative Offices, Room 200  
**7:00 p.m.**

**Attending all or part of the meeting:**

**Board Committee Members:** Dr. Roberta Hotinski (Chair), Maryann Piccioni, Nicole Scherer, Rachel Weil

**Other Board Members:** Kenneth Hong, Dr. Julie K. Mesaros, Sue Tiede, Dr. Henry Zink

**TE School District Representatives:** Wendy Towle (Administrative Liaison), Richard Gusick, Patrick Gately

**Community Members:** Jay Joyce, Conestoga High School Spoke reporter

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

**Public Comment:**

**Committee Discussion and Recommendations:**

The Committee reviewed the minutes of May 14, 2026. One typo and one suggested update were noted and will be updated and reflected in revised May 14, 2026 minutes.

The Committee received the **2027-28 District Calendar** information from Dr. Wendy Towle, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Professional Learning. Dr. Towle described the process for creating the yearly school calendar. She shared some of the differences between this year's school calendar and the draft 2027-28 calendar, such as the placement of in-service days and holidays. Dr. Towle suggested that the schedule for the first week of school for Kindergarten be changed to reflect the addition of Full-day Kindergarten for the 2027-28 school year. The suggested change reflects the need to shift Kindergarten screenings to the spring of 2027 for families who enroll prior to the end of the current school year, with three days of additional Kindergarten screenings and parent meetings and the first two days of school for Kindergarten students during the first full week. Dr. Towle explained the April 25, 2028, inservice day could shift to coincide with a possible change to Pennsylvania's 2028 election day scheduling. Lastly, she discussed the rescheduled student days in the event of emergency closings, including one traditional 'snow day' to be made up on June 13, 2027, along with five Flexible Instruction Days to follow if needed. After discussion, the Committee recommended the draft calendar be shared at the next Inter-School Council Meeting for feedback, with the draft calendar to be revisited at the Education Committee Meeting on October 15, 2026.

The Committee received information on **Summer Programs** from Dr. Wendy Towle, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Professional Learning. Dr. Towle shared information about the five District summer programs, including Summer Reading Camp, English Language Development Enrichment Camp, Middle School Summer Bridge, ASPIRE Math Tutoring Program, and Elementary STEM Camp, with an emphasis on the increasing numbers of students enrolled in each of the summer programs and students' progress and growth due to engagement in these summer programs. Dr. Towle expressed gratitude for the District's support of the

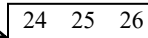
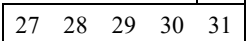
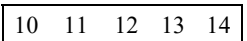
summer programs over the years, and that the English Language Development Enrichment Camp, which is funded by a federal Title III grant, is expected to continue to receive that funding for summer 2027. The Committee and Dr. Towle expressed their gratitude for the Foundation for Learning in Tredyffrin/Easttown (FLITE) grant which also supported the Elementary STEM Camp and Summer Bridge during summer 2026 and is hoped to continue.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Next meeting: October 15, 2026.

# 2027—Calendar—2028

NOTE: First full day for ALL students Gr. 1 - 12: August 30, 2027; 1st day for Kindergarten students: September 2, 2027  
Tentative Last Day for students: June 12, 2028 (1/2 day)  
Tentative Last Teacher Day: June 14, 2028

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| K E Y                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                     | Rescheduled student days for use in the event of emergency closings. |                           |
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|                                                                                                                                                                    | = No School                                                                                                                         | Day 1                                                                | June 13, 2028             |
|                                                                                                                                                                    | = Kindergarten Screening & Parent Conferences                                                                                       | Day 2-6                                                              | Flexible Instruction Days |
|                                                                                                                                                                    | = 1/2 Day: Elem. Parent Conferences, Gr. K-4                                                                                        | Day 7                                                                | June 14, 2028             |
|                                                                                                                                                                    | = 1/2 Day: Elementary / MS Parent Conferences, Gr. K-8                                                                              | Day 8                                                                | June 15, 2028             |
|                                                                                                                                                                    | = Districtwide Parent Conference Day, no school for students                                                                        | Day 9                                                                | June 16, 2028             |
|                                                                                                                                                                    | = New Teacher Inservice, no school for students                                                                                     | Day 10                                                               | June 20, 2028             |
|                                                                                                                                                                    | = Instr. Staff Inservice, no school for students                                                                                    |                                                                      |                           |
|                                                                                                                                                                    | = 1/2 Day for Gr. K-12 / 1/2 Day Staff Inservice                                                                                    |                                                                      |                           |
|                                                                                                                                                                    | = Rescheduled days for emergency closings as per the list on this calendar. If needed, rescheduled days could extend until June 30. |                                                                      |                           |
|                                                                                                                                                                    | = No School: Emergency Closing                                                                                                      |                                                                      |                           |
| <b>Section 15-1502(a) Local Holidays—No School</b><br>Defined by the PA School Code as days that will not be used as make up for emergency closings.<br>November 26, 2027, December 24, 2027, December 27, 2027, December 31, 2027 and April 14, 2028 |                                                                                                                                     |                                                                      |                           |

August 26-27, 2027, November 2, 2027, November 29, 2027, January 26, 2028, April 25, 2028 and June 13, 2028 are additional Act 80 Days.



# TESD Mathematics Program Update

Tredyffrin/Easttown School District Education Committee

Oct 15, 2026

Dr. John Mull, Curriculum Supervisor for K-12 Mathematics

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## TESD MATH CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

### ***What do we currently see?***

- ▶ Strong performance well above state averages on PSSA, Keystone, AP Exams
- ▶ Math performance that exceeds National norms
- ▶ Supportive community that values mathematics
- ▶ CHS Student enrollment in math courses (Traditional sequence, Statistics, Comp Sci, Indep St)
  - High interest in math
    - 2,239 CHS Students; 2,769 daily seats filled in CHS Math courses (124%)
  - Strong enrollment in advanced math courses and electives
    - Calculus: 411 students (73% of CHS average grade size of 560 students)
    - Statistics: 293 students (52% of CHS average grade size of 560 students)
    - Computer Science: 431 students (278 full-year, 153 semester)



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## OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONTINUED GROWTH

### ***Benchmark Assessments in Math***

- ▶ Teachers expressed a desire for a different kind of assessment that can help to:
  - A. identify strength/need profiles specific to individual students for targeted supports/extensions and stations
  - B. provide an opportunity for students to demonstrate growth over time
  - C. provide points of reference for grade-level content mastery that extend beyond the classroom, TESD, or any chosen textbook series



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## TESD MATH BENCHMARKS IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

|                                    | 2023-24      | 2024-25      | 2025-26    | 2026-27      | 2027-28    |
|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|------------|--------------|------------|
| <b>Pilot Phase</b>                 | Grades 1 & 2 | Grades 3-5   | Grades 6-8 | Kindergarten |            |
| <b>Whole-Grade Implementation*</b> |              | Grades 1 & 2 | Grades 1-5 | Grades 1-8   | Grades K-8 |

*\*Benchmarks not administered to Algebra classes and beyond for grades 7 & 8.*

### ***3 Assessment Windows: Fall, Winter, Spring***

Early September, Early January , Early May



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## Grade 1: Fastbridge earlyMath by Renaissance Learning

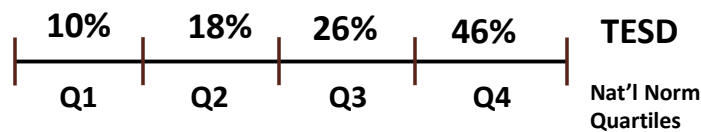
- ▶ Short, interview-style administration
- ▶ Norm-referenced
- ▶ 3 Subtests and Composite Score for each testing window

| FALL                  | WINTER          | SPRING         |
|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Number Identification |                 |                |
| Number Sequence       | Number Sequence |                |
| Decomposing           | Decomposing     | Decomposing    |
|                       | Place Value     | Place Value    |
|                       |                 | Story Problems |



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## Grade 1: Fastbridge earlyMath by Renaissance Learning Spring 2026 TESD Results



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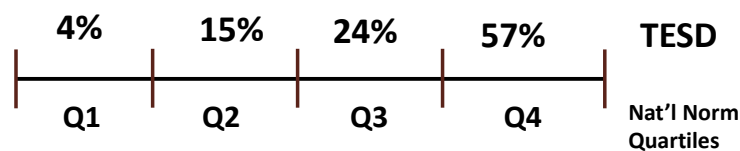
## Grades 2-5: i-Ready Math Diagnostic

- ▶ Adaptive, computer-based administration
- ▶ Norm-referenced
- ▶ Composite Score with grade-level target
- ▶ Sub-category feedback: Numbers & Operations, Algebra & Algebraic Thinking, Measurement & Data, Geometry



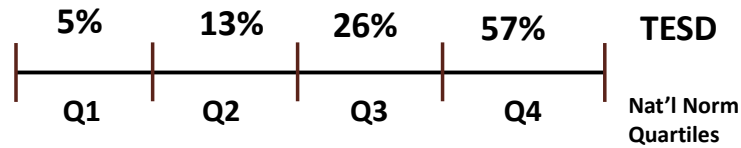
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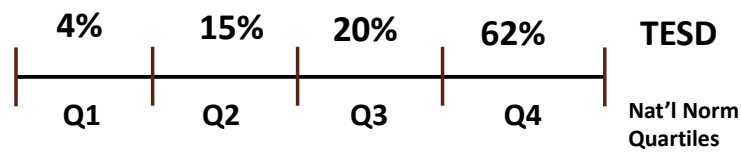
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## Grade 3: i-Ready Math Diagnostic Spring 2026 TESD Results



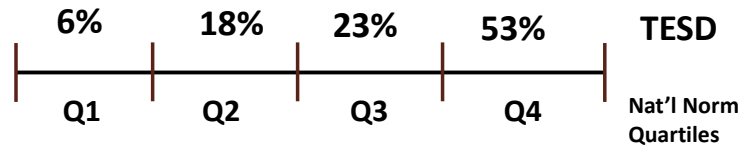
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## Grade 4: i-Ready Math Diagnostic Spring 2026 TESD Results



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## Grade 5: i-Ready Math Diagnostic Spring 2026 TESD Results



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## TESD Math Support

### K-4 Math Support

Math Specialist and Math Paraprofessional  
Math Club and Push-in Classroom Support

### Grades 5-8 Math Support

Tier 1 Support: Daily Advisory Work Completion  
(Drop-in support available from Math Teachers)  
Tier 2 Support: Advisory Math  
(Targeted Instruction 2x/cycle w Math Support Tchr)

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# Reading Benchmark Results and ELA Updates 2025-2026

Tredyffrin/Easttown School District Education Committee

October 15, 2026

Dr. Pat Gately, Curriculum Supervisor for K-12 English Language Arts

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## TESD ELA CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

### *What do we currently see?*

- ▶ Strong performance well above state averages on PSSA, Keystone, AP Exams
- ▶ Reading performance that exceeds National norms
- ▶ Supportive community that values reading and writing
- ▶ CHS Student enrollment in higher-level English courses
  - 80% of students in Grade 11:
    - AP Language & Composition - 51% of students
    - Honors Language & Composition - 29% of students
  - 87% of students in Grade 12:
    - AP Literature & Composition - 33% of students
    - Honors Comparative Literature Courses - 54% of students



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## Explanation of Oral Reading Fluency (ORF)

- The Acadience Oral Reading Fluency (ORF) is a measure that assesses accuracy and fluency with text, the ability to effortlessly translate letters to sounds and sounds to words.
- The fluent reader is one whose decoding processes are automatic, requiring no conscious attention. Such capacity then enables readers to allocate their attention to the comprehension and meaning of the text.
- The ORF is given to students in grades 2-4 in the fall, winter, and spring.
- Grade 1 receives the assessment in winter and spring.



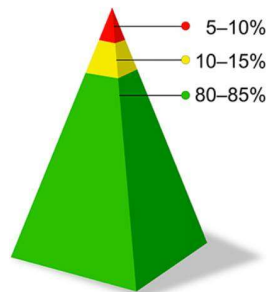
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## RTI/MTSS TRIANGLE

To provide an idea as to the progress of the students, the results from the Acadience Oral Reading Fluency (Words Correct) benchmark, conducted throughout the school year in grades 2-4, will be used. Data from last year's grade 1 cohort will also be examined.

The information will be displayed using the Response to Intervention/ Multi-Tiered System of Support Triangle

According to research, one means of denoting the efficacy of instruction within a school/district is whether it is reaching the following levels of reading competency:



**Intensive intervention** (also referred to as tertiary or Tier 3 instruction) is provided in a smaller-group setting of one to three students or more frequently than in targeted instruction to meet the individual needs of students; it is provided to students in addition to primary instruction.

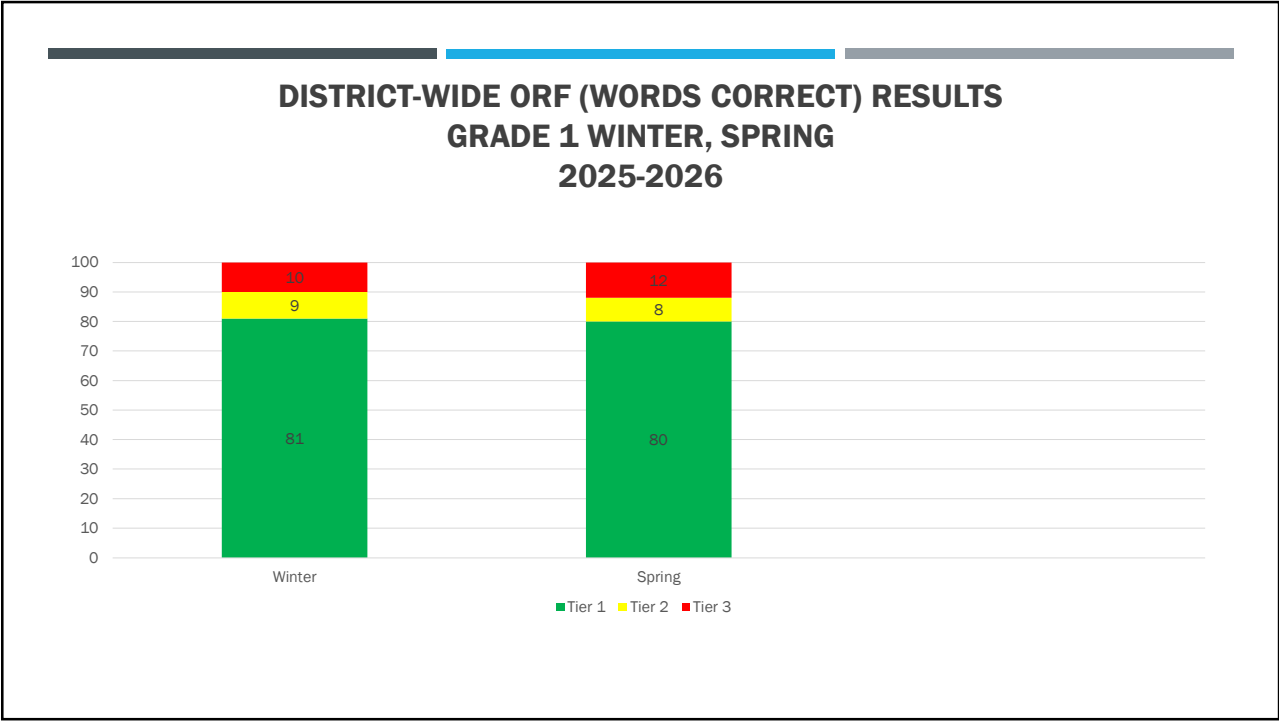
**Targeted instruction** (also referred to as secondary or Tier 2 instruction) offers a standard validated instructional approach or program to students in a small-group setting of three to five students; it is also provided in addition to primary instruction.

**Primary instruction** (also referred to as Tier 1 instruction) is high-quality instruction provided in the general education classroom.

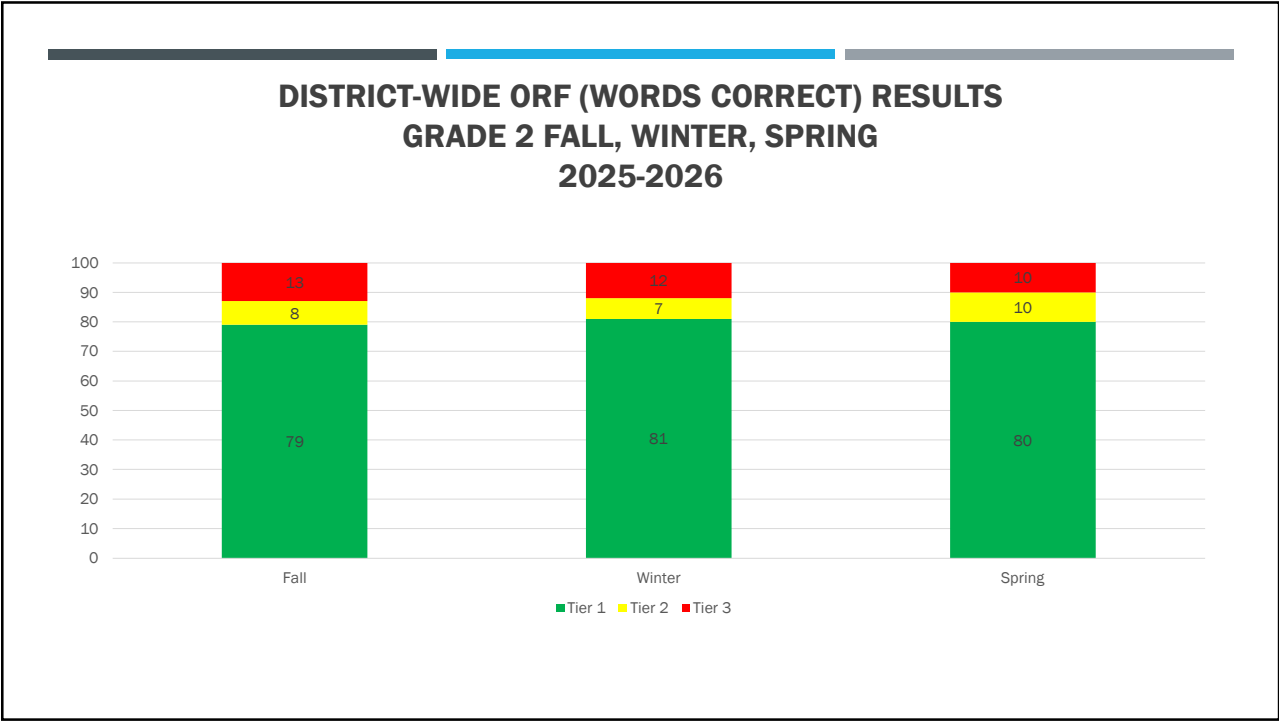
\*Information cited from PaTTAN



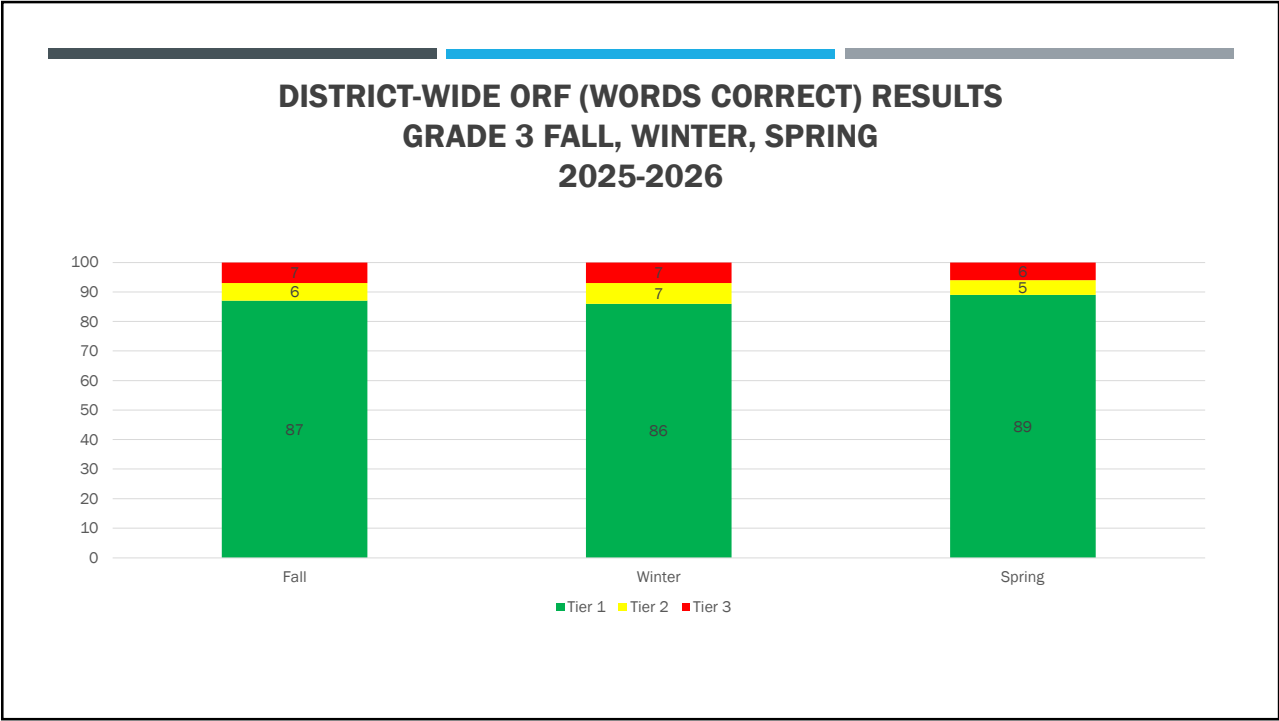
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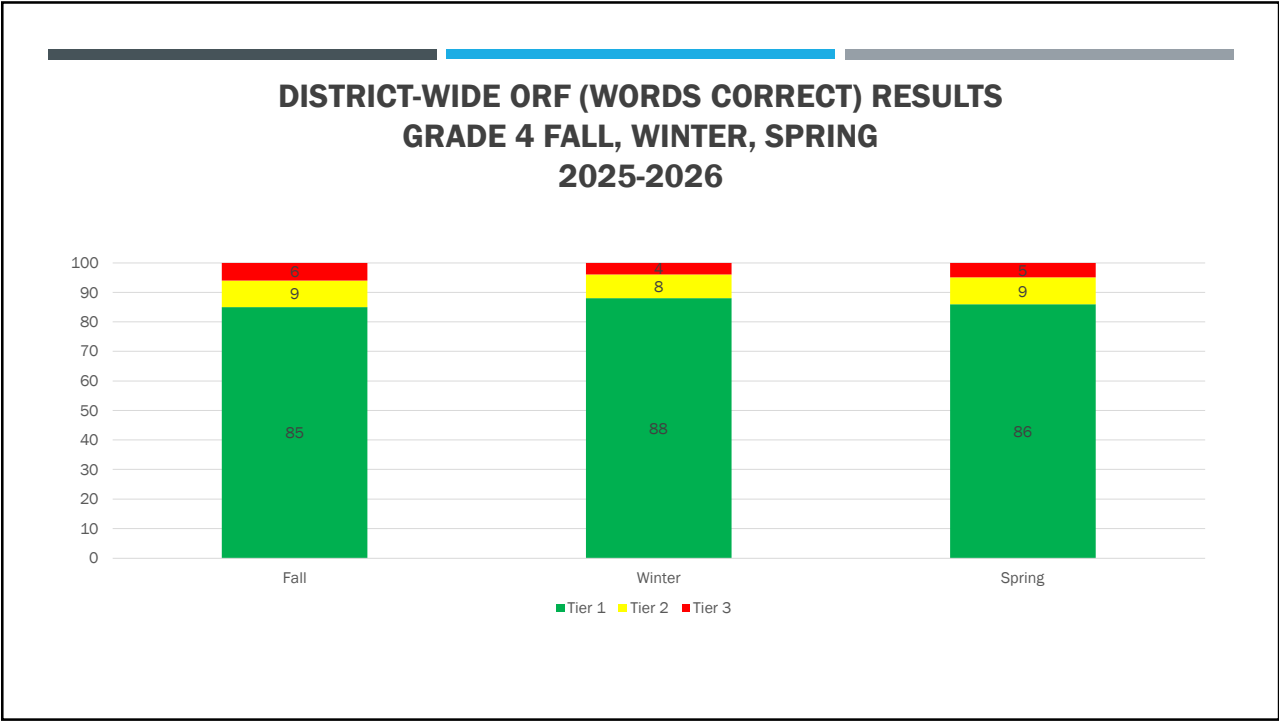
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## Grade Level ORF Comparison Charts At or Above Benchmark

| ORF Results                      | Spring<br>24-25 | Fall<br>25-26 | Winter<br>25-26 | Spring<br>25-26 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Grade 1<br>25-26                 | N/A             | N/A           | 81%             | 80%             |
| Grade 1 - Grade 2<br>24-25 25-26 | 80%             | 79%           | 81%             | 80%             |
| Grade 2 - Grade 3<br>24-25 25-26 | 84%             | 87%           | 86%             | 89%             |
| Grade 3 - Grade 4<br>24-25 25-26 | 91%             | 85%           | 88%             | 86%             |



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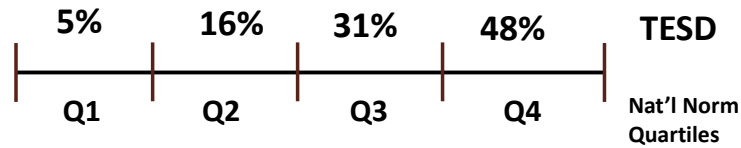
## i-Ready Reading Diagnostic Update 2025-26

- The i-Ready reading diagnostic assessment continued to be used as a benchmark assessment in grades 3 and 4.
- The i-Ready reading diagnostic assessment continued to be used by 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade reading teachers in 2025-26 as a benchmark assessment available in the new middle school data portal for parent access and review (similar to the elementary level).
- The i-Ready reading diagnostic continued to be used by middle school reading specialists for their students in grades 7-8 as an internal assessment to gain a deeper understanding of students' reading skills, and to drive instruction and planning.
- Adaptive, computer-based administration; norm-referenced; composite score with grade-level target.
- Sub-category feedback in comprehension and vocabulary emphasized.



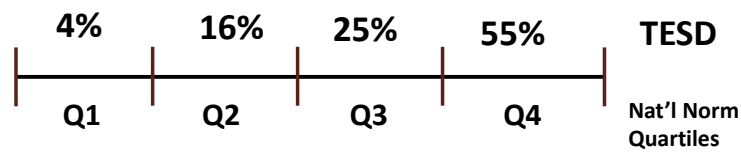
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## Grade 3: i-Ready Reading Diagnostic Spring 2026 TESD Results



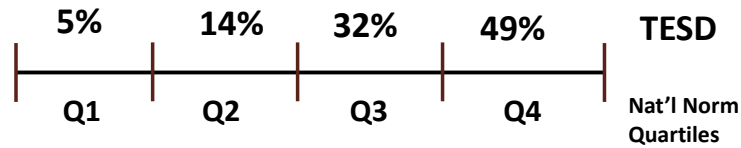
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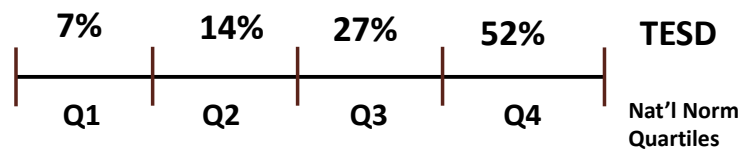
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## Grade 5: i-Ready Reading Diagnostic Spring 2026 TESD Results



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## Grade 6: i-Ready Reading Diagnostic Spring 2026 TESD Results



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## **TESD Reading Support**

### **K-4 Reading Support**

Reading Specialists and 3 Reading Paraprofessionals  
Reading Club and Push-in Classroom Support

### **Grades 5-8 Reading Support**

Tier 1 Support: Daily Advisory Work Completion  
(Drop-in support available from Reading/English Teachers)  
Tier 2 Support: Advisory Reading  
(Targeted Instruction 2x/cycle w/ Reading Specialist)  
Tier 3 Support: Reading Class with Reading Specialist

# Spring 2026 PSSA

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA) MATH SCIENCE

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## PSSA Testing: Overview

Students in grades 3-8 participated in PSSA testing in April and May 2026

- Grades 3-8: ELA and Math
- Grades 5 & 8: Science

Mixed response format

Criterion-referenced measures

Based on state standards

State established levels of performance (Advanced, Proficient, Basic, and Below Basic)

Results can be used to assess schools, as well as a data point for individual students

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# PSSA Testing

## What Was New in Spring 2026

- Full Statewide Online Testing
- Technology-Enhanced Items
- Increased Importance of Digital Skills
- Changes to ELA PSSA Scoring and Reporting
- Continued Science Transition to Science, Technology & Engineering, Environmental Literacy and Sustainability (STEELS) standards

# TESD PSSA Results: ELA

## Percent PROFICIENCY by Grade

| GRADE | 2021  | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | DIFFERENCE<br>2025 to 2026 |
|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------------------|
| 3     | 90.4* | 84.4 | 81.7 | 85.3 | 76.8 | 80.0 | +3.2                       |
| 4     | 92.5* | 89.2 | 85.8 | 83.5 | 82.4 | 73.7 | -8.7                       |
| 5     | 87.0* | 89.2 | 85.6 | 82.3 | 68.1 | 66.4 | -1.7                       |
| 6     | 87.5* | 84.3 | 84.2 | 82.6 | 77.5 | 72.2 | -5.3                       |
| 7     | 86.4* | 88.5 | 84.2 | 83.9 | 82.0 | 72.3 | -9.7                       |
| 8     | 89.0* | 88.2 | 86.2 | 82.4 | 84.2 | 75.0 | -9.2                       |

\* Participation rates were much lower in 2021 as testing was optional

2026 ELA Statewide Averages are not available at this time

## TESD PSSA Results: MATH

### Percent PROFICIENCY by Grade

| GRADE | 2021  | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | DIFFERENCE<br>2025 to 2026 |
|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------------------|
| 3     | 84.3* | 78.1 | 77.1 | 74.5 | 79.6 | 83.6 | +4.0                       |
| 4     | 73.0* | 80.3 | 81.9 | 78.4 | 81.2 | 82.0 | +0.8                       |
| 5     | 71.8* | 70.8 | 78.3 | 72.1 | 71.3 | 72.1 | +0.8                       |
| 6     | 65.2* | 67.1 | 72.8 | 72.4 | 69.9 | 67.3 | -2.6                       |
| 7     | 66.0* | 59.7 | 66.4 | 67.4 | 70.1 | 72.9 | +2.8                       |
| 8     | 68.3* | 58.9 | 62.4 | 62.6 | 65.6 | 69.4 | +3.8                       |

\* Participation rates were much lower in 2021 as testing was optional

2026 Math Statewide Averages are not available at this time

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## Data and Results Pending Release from the State

PSSA Science

Biology Keystone Exam

Statewide averages in all PSSA testing

Per PDE on August 18, 2026, "As you are aware, local education agencies (LEA) received preliminary school-level assessment data... The Department is committed to providing schools with the most accurate data so that they can make accurate and appropriate decisions regarding their operations, and review of preliminary data is still underway.

Until this process is complete, assessment data will not be released through eMetric or otherwise made publicly available. Additional information will be shared after PDE completes its review and the official statewide results are released. "

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# Spring 2026 Keystone Exams

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ALGEBRA I   BIOLOGY   LITERATURE

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## Keystone Exams: Overview

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End-of-course assessments designed to assess proficiency in the subject areas of Algebra I, Biology, and Literature administered in May 2026

Mixed response format

Criterion-referenced measures

Based on state standards

State established levels of performance (Advanced, Proficient, Basic, and Below Basic)

Students must take the Keystone Exams for purposes of federal accountability and results counts towards a graduation requirement

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## TESD Keystone Exams Results

### Percent PROFICIENCY for SPRING Testing

| EXAM       | GRADES | 2021  | 2022 | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | DIFFERENCE<br>2025 to 2026 |
|------------|--------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------------------|
| Algebra I  | 6-12   | 85.1* | 82.4 | 80.3 | 85.1 | 80.3 | 82.9 | +2.6                       |
| Literature | 10-12  | **    | 85.2 | 83.4 | 88.7 | 82.2 | 86.9 | +4.7                       |

\* Participation rates were much lower in 2021 as testing was optional  
 \*\* Less than 20 test takers

TESD 2026 Proficiency Compared to the State  
 Algebra I – TESD is 49.7 percentage points higher  
 Literature – TESD is 35.6 percentage points higher

# Advanced Placement

## Results

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## 34 Different AP Exams

|                                     |                                       |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 2-D Art and Design                  | Italian Language and Culture          |
| Art History                         | Japanese Language and Culture         |
| Biology                             | Macroeconomics                        |
| Calculus AB                         | Microeconomics                        |
| Calculus BC                         | Music Theory                          |
| Chemistry                           | Physics 1                             |
| Chinese Language and Culture        | Physics C: Electricity and Magnetism  |
| Comparative Government and Politics | Physics C: Mechanics                  |
| Computer Science A                  | Precalculus                           |
| Computer Science Principles         | Psychology                            |
| Drawing                             | Research                              |
| English Language and Composition    | Seminar                               |
| English Literature and Composition  | Spanish Language and Culture          |
| Environmental Science               | Statistics                            |
| French Language and Culture         | United States Government and Politics |
| German Language and Culture         | United States History                 |
| Human Geography                     | World History: Modern                 |

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## AP Scores Use a 5 Point Scale

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|---|--------------------------|
| 5 | Extremely well qualified |
| 4 | Very well qualified      |
| 3 | Qualified                |
| 2 | Possibly qualified       |
| 1 | No recommendation        |

CHS's average score for all tests taken in 2026 was 4.11

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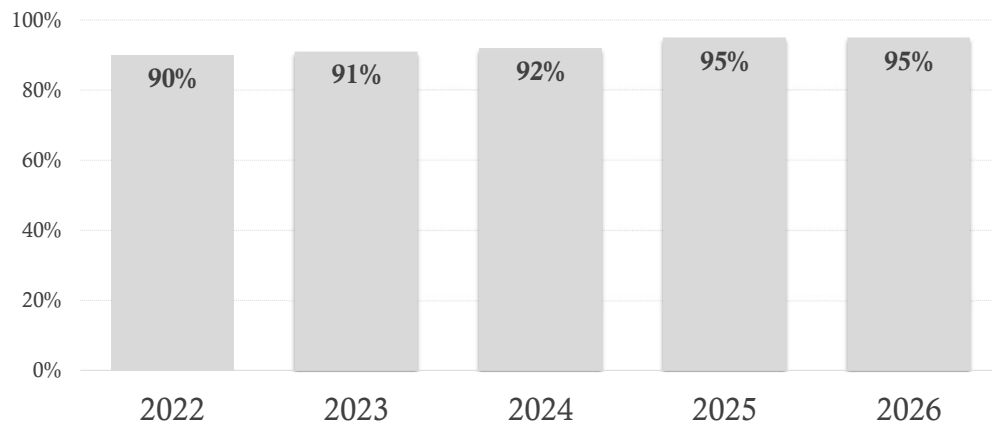
## 2026 Advanced Placement Exams

Fast Facts for CHS:

- 1160 students participated in 2947 exams in May 2026
- Overall mean score = 4.11 (Very well qualified)
- Either fully digital or hybrid digital as determined by The College Board
- 70.7% of graduating seniors scored 3 or higher on at least one AP Exam
- 95% of test takers scored 3 or higher
- Highest participation – 269 English Language & Composition, 225 US Government & Politics, 223 Statistics, 213 Psychology, 178 Computer Science Principles, 169 Environmental Science, 150 US History

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## % of Total AP Students with Scores 3+



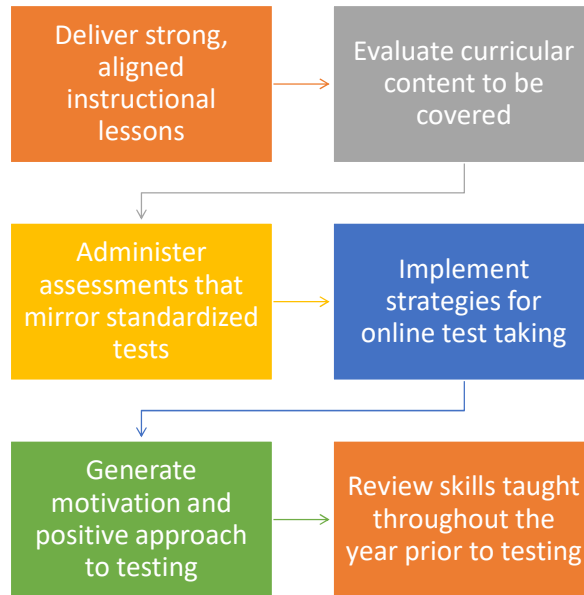
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## School Summary

|                                        | 2022  | 2023  | 2024  | 2025  | 2026  |
|----------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Total AP Students</b>               | 954   | 1073  | 1111  | 1060  | 1160  |
| <b>Number of Exams</b>                 | 2023  | 2507  | 2619  | 2695  | 2947  |
| <b>AP Students with Scores 3+</b>      | 861   | 979   | 1024  | 1010  | 1106  |
| <b>% of AP Students with 3+ Scores</b> | 90.25 | 91.24 | 92.17 | 95.28 | 95.34 |

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## Strategies for Assessment Success



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## Areas of Focus 2026-2027 Instruction

- Provide additional ELD, Reading, and Math support
- Use elementary independent reading time and flex core time and middle school advisory for additional work with small groups/individuals
- Implement K-12 Claim-Evidence-Reasoning writing framework and aligned organizational strategies to support its use in the ELA and Science standards

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## Areas of Focus 2026-2027

### Preparation

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- Continue to administer Firefly, the state's Assessment Tool, that mimics state online testing
- Consider administering the state's Classroom Diagnostic Tool (CDT) for Biology
- Consider using PDE's Standard Aligned System (SAS) assessment builder based on released items
- Monitor PDE's change in assessment vendor from Data Recognition Corporation (DRC) to Pearson next school year

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## State-level Standardized Testing Study 2026-2027

### per State Code

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The State Legislative Budget and Finance Committee must conduct a study in of standardized testing and federal accountability including the following:

- amount of time
- total annual cost
- analysis of participation
- professional feedback on online assessments
- evaluation of testing accommodations
- summary and comparison of existing research on the correlation between performance on higher education assessments and performance on state standardized testing
- impact of using an alternate assessment

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