**Info for SC Ready 2017 and SC PASS 2017**

* This summer, the SCDE completed the vertical alignment for SC Ready. This makes SC Ready reporting more like MAP. One vertical scale, common to all tested grades.
* Just like students in different grades levels can be the same height. One might be “tall for his age” or “short for his age”. Now, students in different grade levels can have the same SC Ready score.
* So, a 3rd, 5th, and 7th grader could all score a 550 on SC Ready Math. For the 3rd grader that 550 would be classified as “Exceeds Expectations”; for the 5th grader the performance level would be “Meets Expectations”; and the 7th grader’s level would be “Approaches Expectations”.
* The four performance levels have not changed. The same degree of achievement is required for each performance level as in 2016. The change is in the numbers on the scale.
* An SC Ready performance level of “Meets Expectations” means that this student is on the trajectory to be successful in a 4-year college program or 2-year college transfer program upon HS graduation.
* On the ACT college entrance exam, the benchmark scores indicate a 50% chance of earning a B. and 75% chance of earning a C in the corresponding college level course.
* The ACT benchmark scores have been backtracked for grades 3-8, and correspond to the Meets Expectations performance level.
* We have more students scoring in the Approaches Expectations and Does Not Meet Expectations than we ever had scoring Not Met on PASS. That’s because the goal as set by the Education Oversight Committee is college ready. Will every SC student enroll in a 4 year college? No. Can a student be a successful citizen without a 4 year college degree? Sure. So, is an achievement of Approaches Expectations pretty darn good for some students? You bet! Do we keep pushing? Indeed.
* ELA scores now include a separate Reading subscore.
* Lexiles are still included and are based on the Reading score. Quantiles are now reported for math, and provide similar measures for math.
* SC PASS Science reports have moved to four performance levels, while SC PASS Social Studies performance levels have not changed.
* Can share individual scores with parents. Can share individual and summary data with faculty. No summary data to the public until embargo ends Oct. 2. ISR’s posted Sept 12. Paper reports shipped Oct 12.

QUICK Look …district wide

**SC Ready 2017, grades 3-8…SC PASS 2017, grades 4-8**

**ELA, gr 3-8**

Exceeds---28%

Met---36%

Approaches---26%

Not Met---10%

**Math, gr 3-8**

Exceeds---40%

Met---29%

Approaches---22%

Not Met---9%

**Science, gr 4-8**

Exceeds---46%

Met---30%

Approaches---15%

Not Met---9%

**Social Studies, gr 4-8**

Exceeds---59%

Met---31%

Not Met---10%

**SC READY Performance Level Scale Score Cuts for Spring 2017**

**ELA Vertical Scale Score Ranges**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Grade** | **Does Not Meet** | **Approaches** | **Meets** | **Exceeds** |
| **3** | **100-358** | **359-451** | **452-539** | **540-825** |
| **4** | **100-418** | **419-508** | **509-592** | **593-850** |
| **5** | **100-449** | **450-557** | **558-652** | **653-875** |
| **6** | **100-454** | **455-575** | **576-667** | **668-900** |
| **7** | **100-511** | **512-614** | **615-704** | **705-925** |
| **8** | **100-537** | **538-642** | **643-737** | **738-950** |

**Mathematics Vertical Scale Score Ranges**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Grade** | **Does Not Meet** | **Approaches** | **Meets** | **Exceeds** |
| **3** | **100-359** | **360-437** | **438-543** | **544-825** |
| **4** | **100-401** | **402-481** | **482-562** | **563-850** |
| **5** | **100-447** | **448-535** | **536-621** | **622-875** |
| **6** | **100-453** | **454-542** | **543-627** | **628-900** |
| **7** | **100-487** | **488-577** | **578-649** | **650-925** |
| **8** | **100-526** | **527-614** | **615-683** | **684-950** |

Science Scale Scores

A student’s overall performance level is based on the scale score attained by the student. The scale scores for SCPASS science are reported as four-digit numbers. The first digit is always “1.” The second digit is determined by the tested grade. Possible scale scores on a grade 4 science test, for example, range from 1370 to 1530, with most scores falling in the 1400s. For a grade 5 science test in 2017, the possible scale score range is 1470–1630, and so on through grade 8.

For spring 2017, because of the overlap in score ranges between adjacent grades, it is possible to receive the same numeric score in different grades. For example, students in both grades 4 and 5 could receive a scale score of 1500—but that score would be interpreted quite differently in those two grades. For a fourth-grade student, 1500 would be a very high score, corresponding to a performance level of “Exceeds Expectations.” In contrast, for a fifth-grade student, 1500 would be a low score, falling into the “Does Not Meet Expectations” classification.

The following table displays the scale score ranges that correspond to the four overall performance levels for grades 4–8 science.

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| SCPASS Science Scale Score Ranges for 2016-17 | | | | |
| Grade | Does Not Meet | Approaches | Meets | Exceeds |
| 4 | 1370-1433 | 1434-1449 | 1450-1467 | 1468-1530 |
| 5 | 1470-1533 | 1534-1549 | 1550-1564 | 1565-1630 |
| 6 | 1570-1636 | 1637-1649 | 1650-1664 | 1665-1730 |
| 7 | 1670-1736 | 1737-1749 | 1750-1763 | 1764-1830 |
| 8 | 1770-1834 | 1835-1849 | 1850-1867 | 1868-1930 |

Social Studies Scale Scores

A student’s overall performance level is based on the scale score attained by the student. Scale scores for SCPASS social studies are reported as three-digit numbers. For each grade level, the scale scores range from 300 to 900, and the scale score needed to reach the Met performance level is 600. The scale score needed to reach the Exemplary level varies among grade levels.

The Education Oversight Committee further divided the Not Met and Exemplary categories, resulting in a total of five performance levels: Not Met 1, Not Met 2, Met, Exemplary 4, and Exemplary 5. The following table displays the scale score ranges that correspond to these five performance levels for grades 4–8 social studies. (These five levels appear on the district data files and student rosters; the three overall levels are used on the Individual Student Reports.)

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **SCPASS Social Studies Scale Score Ranges** | | | | | |
| **Grade** | **Not Met** | | **Met** | **Exemplary** | |
| **Not Met 1** | **Not Met 2** |  | **Exemplary 4** | **Exemplary 5** |
| **4** | **300–589** | **590–599** | **600–667** | **668–692** | **693–900** |
| **5** | **300–569** | **570–599** | **600–657** | **658–671** | **672–900** |
| **6** | **300–584** | **585–599** | **600–670** | **671–687** | **688–900** |
| **7** | **300–561** | **562–599** | **600–645** | **646–662** | **663–900** |
| **8** | **300–570** | **571–599** | **600–655** | **656–674** | **675–900** |