Wellesley Public Schools 2014 MCAS Results

School Committee Presentation 9/30/2014



Guiding Questions 2014 MCAS Results

What percentages of our students achieved a proficient or advanced rating on the MCAS? What progress have we made towards closing gaps in WPS? What can achievement and growth tell us about curriculum, instruction, and learning in WPS?

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (ELA)

- High Achievement
- Growth over Time
- Gap Reductions in Early Grades & ELL
- Area to Support: Writing

2014 District Results English Language Arts (ELA)

Grade	% Advanced & Proficient	% Needs Emprovement	% Warning		
10	99	1	0		
8	93	4	3		
7	95	4	2		
6	87	9	4		
5	89	8	3		
4	78	17	4		
3	80	18	2		

Grades 3-5 are district results; Grades 6-10 are school results.

English Language Arts History of % Scored at Advanced & Proficient Levels

Gr.										2014
10	93	93	95	94	97	98	99	99	99	99
8		95	95	96	96	95	95	97	94	93
7	91	92	96	94	92	93	92	92	91	95
6		96	95	86	92	90	88	88	88	87
5		89	85	86	89	84	86	83	85	89
4	73	75	83	81	83	76	81	81	79	78
3	81	82	86	79	76	84	83	86	81	80

English Language Arts History of % Scored at Advanced & Proficient Levels

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10	93	93	95	94	97	98	99	99	99	99
8		95	95	96	96	95	95	97	94	93
7	91	92	96	94	92	93	92	92	91	95
6		96	95	86	92	90	88	88	88	87
5		89	85	86	89	84	86	83	85	89
4	73	75	83	81	83	76	81	81	79	78
3	81	82	86	79	76	84	83	86	81	80

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MCAS I tem Samples 8th grade **H**

Value the vista: No window? No problem. Though nothing can truly replace the sounds, fragrances, fresh air and stimulation we get through genuine windows overlooking a glorious nature scene, we can't all live and work in Yosemite. If you don't have an actual view of the horizon, put up photographs, paintings, nature calendars or even postcards that simulate a long view of sky and earth.

What does the word simulate mean as it is used in the last sentence of paragraph 10?

- A. extend
- B. imitate
- C. encourage
- D. recommend

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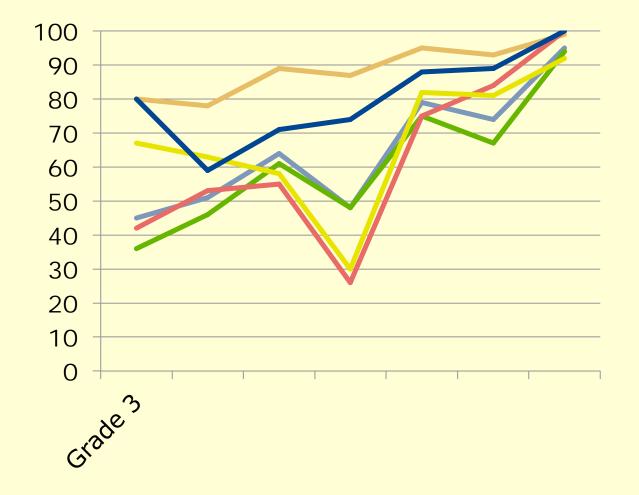
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Read the words from the article in the box below.

What do the words in the box have in common?

- They are adjectives.
- They are contractions.
- They are proper nouns.
- They are compound words.

2014 District-wide % of Students Achieving Advanced or Proficient in ELA by Subgroup



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% of Students Achieving Advanced or Proficient in ELA by Subgroup 2014

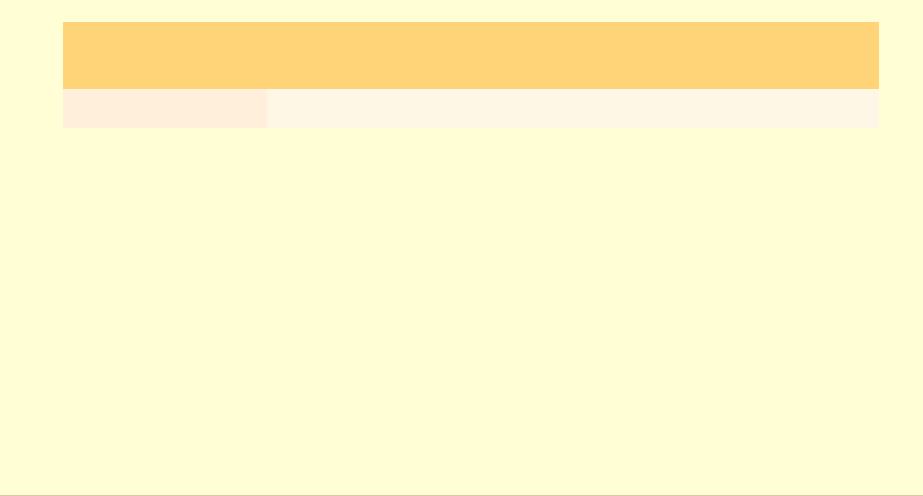


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MATHEMATICS

- High Achievement
- Growth over Time
- Overall Gap Reduction in Special Ed, ELL, & Hispanic/Latino
- Areas to Support: K-5 alignment, Low Income

2014 District Results Mathematics



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Mathematics History of % Scored at Advanced & Proficient Levels

Gr.										
10	93	90	94	91	95	98	96	98	96	94
8	76	66	75	82	73	76	82	81	75	74
7		72	79	74	66	76	71	76	74	78
6	80	81	86	76	79	80	80	76	84	78
5		73	74	72	80	77	74	75	80	87
4	68	59	67	77	67	62	66	67	78	78
3		69	81	74	70	75	71	86	83	87

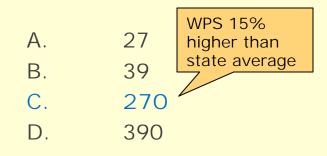
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3rd Grade

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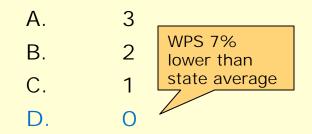
There are 9 classes at Linda's school. Each class has 30 children. What is the total number of children at Linda's school?



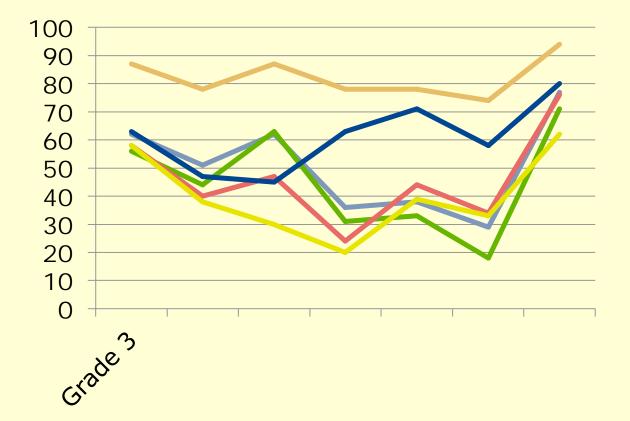
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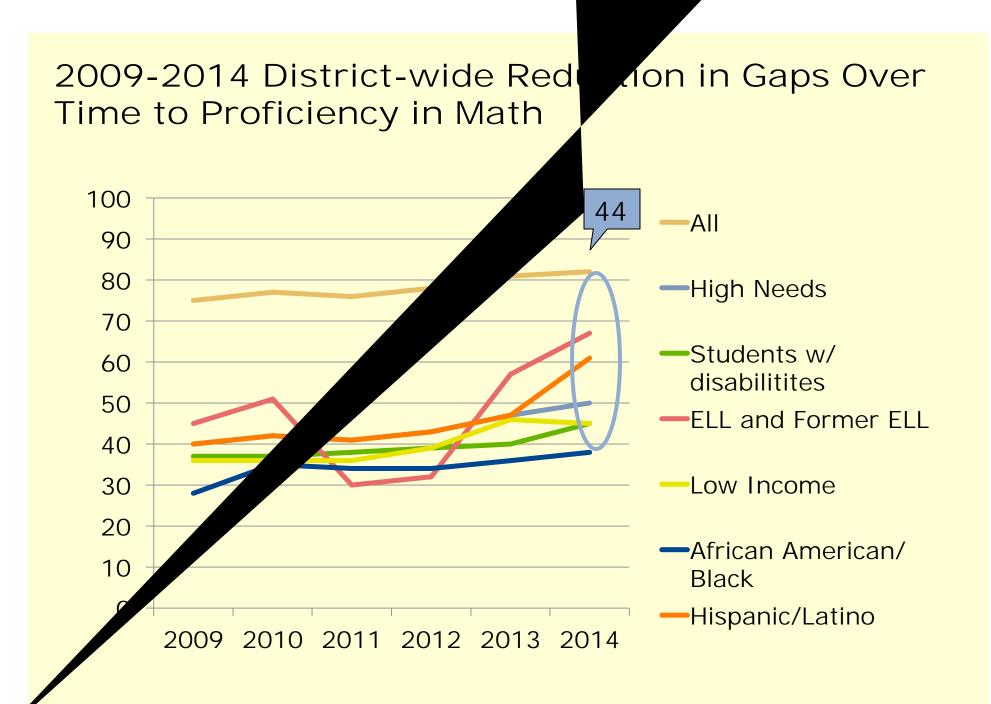
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What is the total number of unique triangles with side lengths of 4 centimeters, 5 centimeters, and 10 centimeters that can be drawn?



2014 District-wide % of Students Achieving Advanced or Proficient in Math by Subgroup & Grade Level





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% of Students Achieving Advanced or Proficient in Math by Subgroup 2014

Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5		

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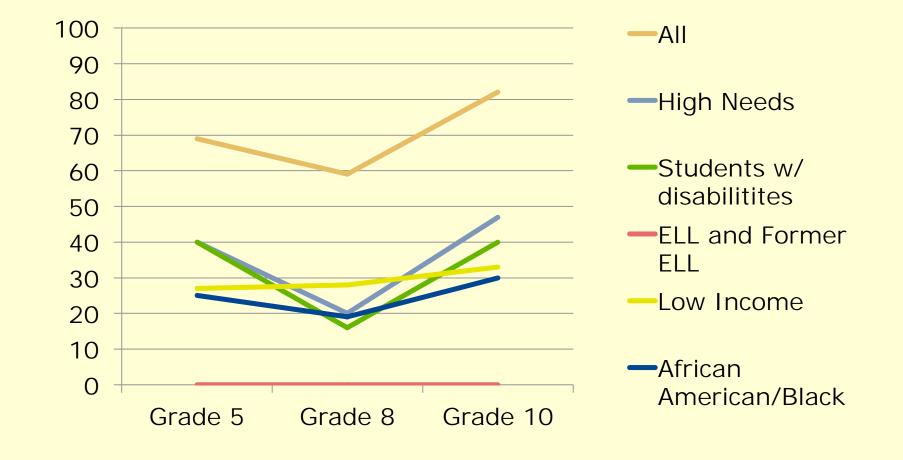
SCIENCE

- Moderate Achievement in non-aligned courses
- High Achievement in aligned courses
- Gap Reduction in all Subgroups
- Areas to Support: Continued Alignment & Upgrades

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Science and Technology/Engineering History of % Scored at Advanced & Proficient Levels

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8	65	56	39	58	44	44	41	65	55	59
5	69	64	70	62	58	64	58	63	55	69



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2009-2014 District-wide Reduction in Gaps Over

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% of Students Achieving Advanced or Proficient in Science by Subgroup 2013

	Grade 5	Grade 8	Grade 10
All	54	54	81
High Needs	24	25	45
Students w/ disabilities	24	19	37
ELL and Former ELL	N/A	N/A	N/A
Low Income	17	15	44
African American/Black	5	22	38
Hispanic/Latino	33	31	64



Subgroups with an achievement gap of 20+ percentage points.

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MCAS 2014 District Comparisons – % of Students Achieving Advanced or Proficient

		Grad	de 3	Grad	de 4	Ģ	Fade	5	Gra	de 6	Grad	de 7	G	rade	8	Gr	ade 1	0
Di	istrict	ELA	Math	ELA	Math	ELA	Math	SE/T	ELA	Math	ELA	Math	ELA	Math	SE/T	ELA	Math	SE/T
Wel	llesley	80	87	78	78	89	87	69	87	78	95	78	93	74	59	99	94	82

Highest percentage among comparison group

Lowest percentage among comparison group

Student Growth Percentiles (SGP) 2014 MCAS Results

To what degree are our students learning a year's worth of content in a year's time as measured by MCAS? What can that tell us about teaching and learning in WPS?



Student Growth Percentiles (SGP)

A measure of growth relative to a state-wide peer group with similar historical performance.

A student in the 60th percentile for Grade 5 Math, showed stronger

Why Is SGP Important?

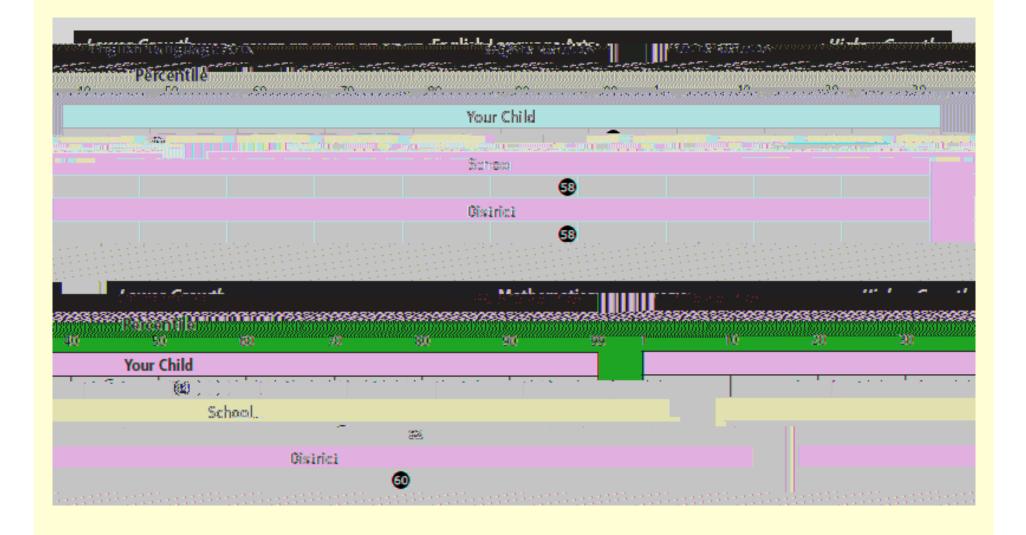
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Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Growth Percentile Ranges

<20 th Percentile	Very Low Growth
20 th -40 th Percentile	Low Growth
40 th -60 th Percentile	Typical Growth
60 th -80 th Percentile	High Growth
>80 th Percentile	Very High Growth

Student Growth Percentiles 2014 MCAS Parent/Guardian Report Sample



Progress and Performance Index (PPI) 2014 MCAS Results

How has the district fared on the state accountability system? What can that tell us about curriculum, instruction, and learning at WPS?



Progress and Performance Index (PPI)

Progress and Performance Index, or PPI, includes data on narrowing proficiency gaps, growth (SGP), MCAS participation, graduation rates and dropout rates.

Measure		
PPI	Schools/Districts must narrow achievement gaps by 50% over a six-year period (2011-2017)	Level 1: PPI of 75+ Level 2: PPI <75 or low- MCAS participation

Progress and Performance Index (PPI)

Cumulative PPI includes weighted annual PPI data for the most recent four years.

Schools and districts placed into Levels 1 - 5 based on the PPI of its lowest level school. For a district to be Level 1, all schools in the district must be show a PPI score of 75.

Considers all students in a school and the high needs subgroup (low-income students, students with disabilities, ELL and former ELL students).

80% of Massachusetts schools are classified Level 1 or Level 2.

Framework for Accountability and Assistance Levels 1 & 2

			Assistance		
	District Actions	State Actions	State Actions	District Actions	
Level 1	Review & approve district & school improvement plans	Conduct district reviews for randomly selected districts	Provide voluntary access to district analysis & review tools for every district & school	Review level of implementation of district & school plans; review District Standards & Indicators & Conditions for School Effectiveness; review promising practice examples	
Level 2 (WPS)	Use district analysis & review tools to review & approve district & school improvement plans	Conduct district			

2013 School PPI and Accountability Level

School		

2014 School PPI and Accountability Level

School		

2013 District PPI and Accountability Level by Subgroups identified for gap reduction

Student Group		Progress Toward Target
All students	95	Met Target
High needs	63	Did Not Meet Target
Low income	75	Met Target
ELL and Former ELL	77	Met Target
Students w/ disabilities	66	Did Not Meet Target
Asian	100	Met Target
Afr. Amer./Black	73	Did Not Meet Target
Hispanic/Latino	78	Met Target
Multi-race, Non-Hisp./Lat.	86	Met Target
White	95	Met Target

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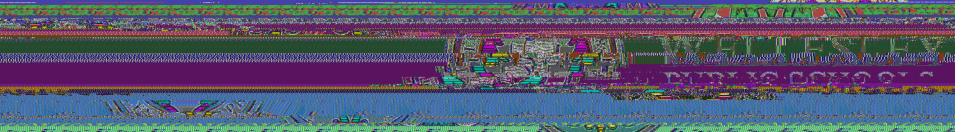
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Implications

What supports can we put in place? What are our next steps?





Teaching & Learning District Initiatives

- Instructional Data, Professional Development, and Materials Coordinators provide targeted guidance and support
- Support for Common Assessments developed by teacher teams
- Literacy Specialists & Math Coaches
- Year 2 of 5 in New Science curriculum PK-12
- Title I funding focused on Math interventions
- RETELL course training for teachers and administrators on ELL
- Special Ed Literacy Interventions in early grades aligned w/Reg Ed Curriculum with additional supports for individual students
- Response to Intervention (RTI) supports for students

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Questions?