



2021 West Virginia Statewide Summative Assessment Results



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The 2021 state summative assessment results consist of combined student performance across all the state's summative assessments, including the West Virginia General Summative Assessment (WVGSA) in Grades 3-8, the SAT School Day in Grade 11, and the West Virginia Alternate Summative Assessment (WVASA) in Grades 3-8 and 11. Results are based on the performance of students who are considered full academic year, meaning they were enrolled for at least 135 non-consecutive days during the school year.

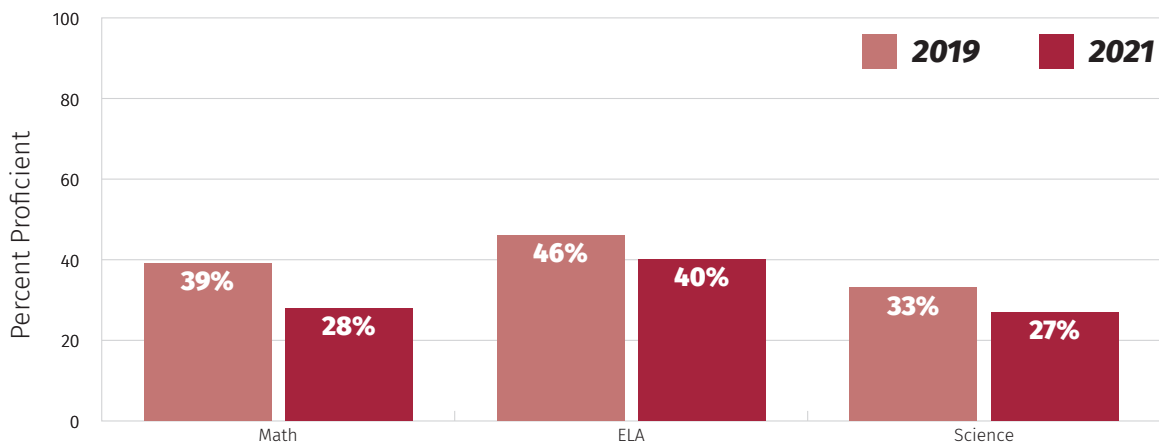
The 2021 assessment results are an important tool as the WVDE addresses student learning and developmental loss caused by the pandemic.

Important Points to Consider

- » West Virginia successfully administered statewide assessments to more than 91% of students in Grades 3-8 and 11.
- » West Virginia did not administer statewide summative assessments in 2020.
- » Direct comparison of 2021 assessment results to previous years should be approached cautiously as participation rates, learning modes and learning disruptions might have varied across districts and schools during this school year.
- » Schools and districts should examine the change in assessment results carefully as each may have experienced the pandemic differently.
- » Analysis of the 2021 results should focus on individual student performance rather than on overall school performance.

Overall Percent Proficient (Across Grades 3-8 and 11)

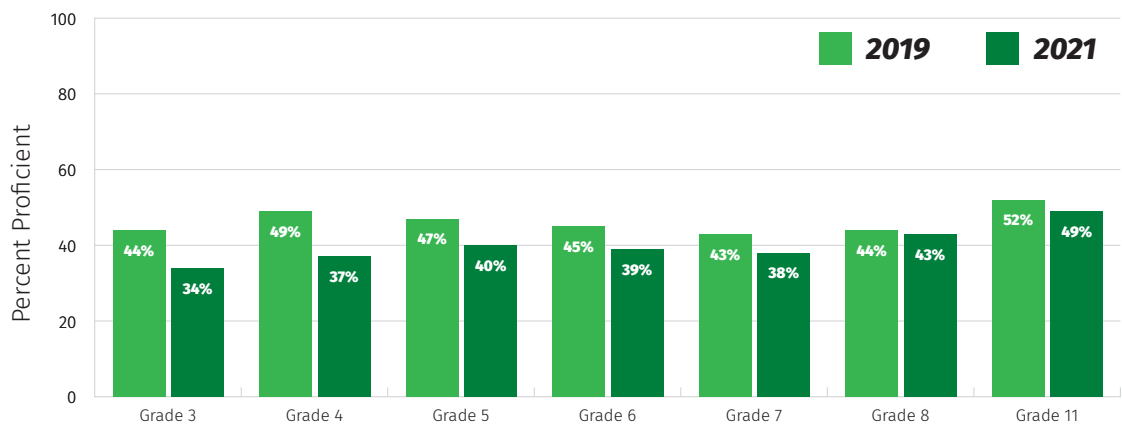
West Virginia Statewide Summative Assessment Results Overall Percent Proficient 2019 and 2021



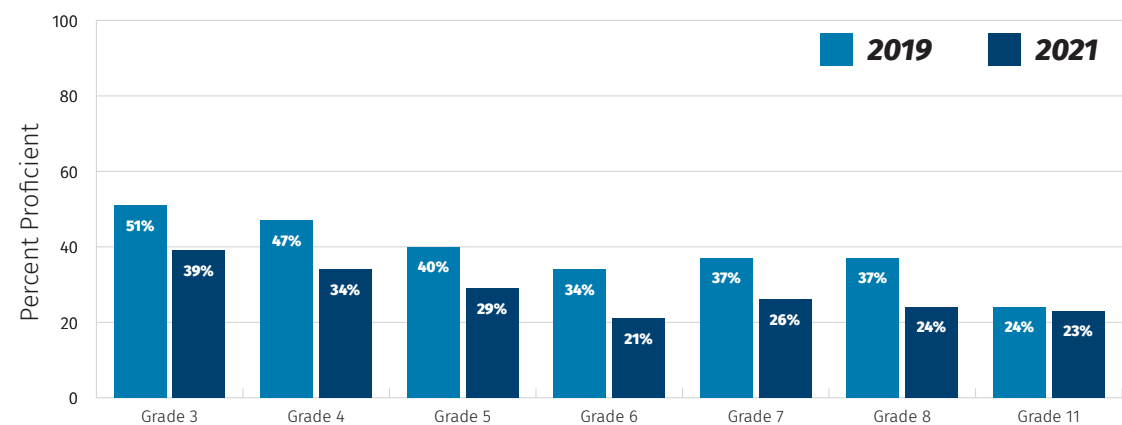
2021 Grade-Level Assessment Results with Comparison to 2019

Percent Proficient by Grade

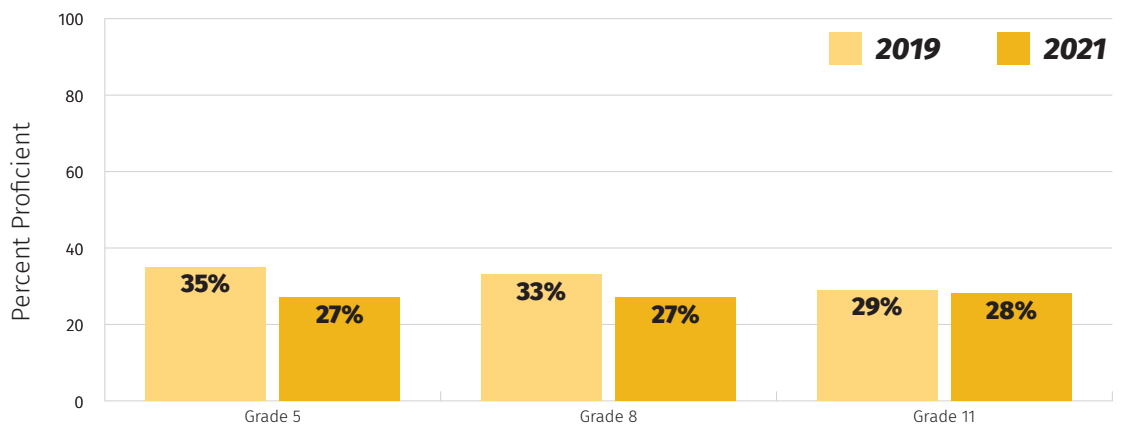
English Language Arts Percent Proficient



Mathematics Percent Proficient



Science Percent Proficient



Frequently Asked Questions about West Virginia's 2021 Statewide Assessments

Why did students take assessments this school year during a pandemic?

- » West Virginia was required by federal and state law to administer statewide assessments in spring 2021. West Virginia's statewide assessments – which include the West Virginia General Summative Assessment in Grades 3-8, the SAT School Day in Grade 11, and the West Virginia Alternate Summative Assessment in Grades 3-8 and 11 – provide critical information about individual student performance and about where West Virginia needs to better support students, teachers, and schools across our state.

Our goal is to use the results to help COVID-19 school recovery efforts, so we can create a stronger and more equitable education system.

What was the state's student participation in statewide assessments in spring 2021?

- » West Virginia had a high percentage of students participate in statewide assessments in spring 2021. Assessment participation, however, may have varied across districts and schools because of health and safety concerns associated with in-person testing or other factors.

How will the state, district and school leaders, and educators use the assessment results?

- » Assessment results are just one of several strategies that we're conducting to evaluate COVID-19 school recovery and create a stronger education system. Districts and schools in West Virginia are using the information gained from the assessment to address student recovery in the short and long term. The results will be used to help direct COVID-related recovery efforts supported by state and federal relief funds.

How should parents use the assessment results to support their children?

- » The summative test score is one of many measures to identify achievement gaps. We encourage parents to consider their child's results within the context of the variety of potential learning disruptions they may have encountered.

Parents will receive an individual student report that will detail a student's performance along with summary information about aggregate performance at the school, district, and state levels. The results can provide a helpful information regarding where their child is excelling as well as where they may need more support.

Where can I view the assessment results?

- » To view more information about the assessment results, visit <https://zoomwv.k12.wv.us/Dashboard/dashboard/7301>.

