

APPENDIX Q

SAMPLE REPORTS – MCAS

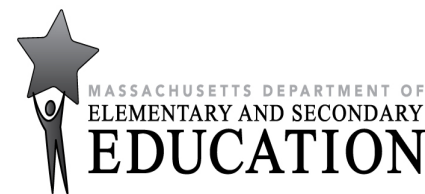
How your child did on individual test questions

This section shows how your child did on each test question. In the bottom row (Your Child's Score), you will find whether your child gave the correct answer on multiple-choice questions and the number of points earned by your child on other types of questions. Reporting Category codes are given in the table at the bottom of the previous page. Released test questions are available at www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/testitems.html.

English Language Arts																																									
Question Number	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41
Reporting Category	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LA	LA	LA	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LA	LA	LT	LT	LT	LT	LA	LA	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LT	LA	LA	LA	LT	LT	LT	LT	LA	LA		
Your Child's Score	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1/4	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2/2	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	2/2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2/2	1/2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

Mathematics																																				
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Reporting Category	OA	GE	NF	OA	MD	OA	NT	OA	NT	MD	NF	MD	OA	OA	GE	NT	OA	MD	NT	NF	MD	OA	MD	GE	OA	OA	NF	GE	OA	MD	NT	OA	NF	MD	NT	MD
Your Child's Score	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	1/2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2/2	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	2/2	✓	✓	✓	✓	2/2	✓	-	0	✓	-	✓	✓

Question Type	Score Codes	
Multiple-choice	✓	Correct answer (1 point earned)
	A, B, C, or D	Incorrect answer on a released question (0 points earned)
	-	Incorrect answer on an unreleased question (0 points earned)
	*	More than one answer (0 points earned)
Short-answer (Mathematics only)	✓	Correct answer (1 point earned)
	0	Incorrect answer (0 points earned)
Short-response (ELA only)	x/2	x points earned out of 2
Open-response	x/4 (ELA) x/2 (Mathematics)	x points earned out of 4 x points earned out of 2
All types	blank space	No answer (0 points earned)



Spring 2014 MCAS Tests Parent/Guardian Report

Name: BRUNER, CHELSEA M.
School: Demonstration School 1
District: Demonstration District A

SASID: D031000053
Grade: 3
Date of Birth: 09/13/2003

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian(s):

This *Parent/Guardian Report* provides your child's results on the 2014 Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) tests. For each test that your child took in spring 2014, the report shows your child's **Achievement Level** (*Advanced, Proficient, Needs Improvement, or Warning/Failing*). In addition, each child who participated in the English Language Arts (ELA) or Mathematics tests in grades 4–8 or 10 in 2014, and who also took the prior MCAS test in that subject, receives a **Student Growth Percentile (SGP)** score. The SGP shows how your child's progress compares to the progress of other students in the same grade statewide who earned similar MCAS scores in previous years. The report also provides information regarding how your child's performance compares to school, district, and state performance; how your child performed in different sub-content areas of the test(s); and how your child did on individual test questions.

If you have questions about your child's performance, I encourage you to meet with your child's teacher(s) to discuss the results and identify ways that you can partner with your school to support your child's education.

Sincerely,

Mitchell D. Chester, Ed.D.
 Commissioner of Elementary and Secondary Education

What is MCAS and how are test results used?

MCAS is the Commonwealth's standards-based student assessment program. MCAS has the following primary purposes:

- To evaluate student, school, and district performance according to the Massachusetts curriculum frameworks learning standards
- To determine whether a student has met the state requirements for the Competency Determination (i.e., whether a student is eligible for a high school diploma)
- To hold schools and districts accountable for making progress toward improvement targets set by the state plan under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)
- To inform and improve curriculum and instruction
- At the high school level, to determine whether your child meets one of the eligibility requirements for the John and Abigail Adams Scholarship and the Stanley Z. Koplik Certificate of Mastery Award

Where can you find more information?

www.doe.mass.edu/mcas/parents

Your child's 2014 grade 3 achievement levels and scores

English Language Arts

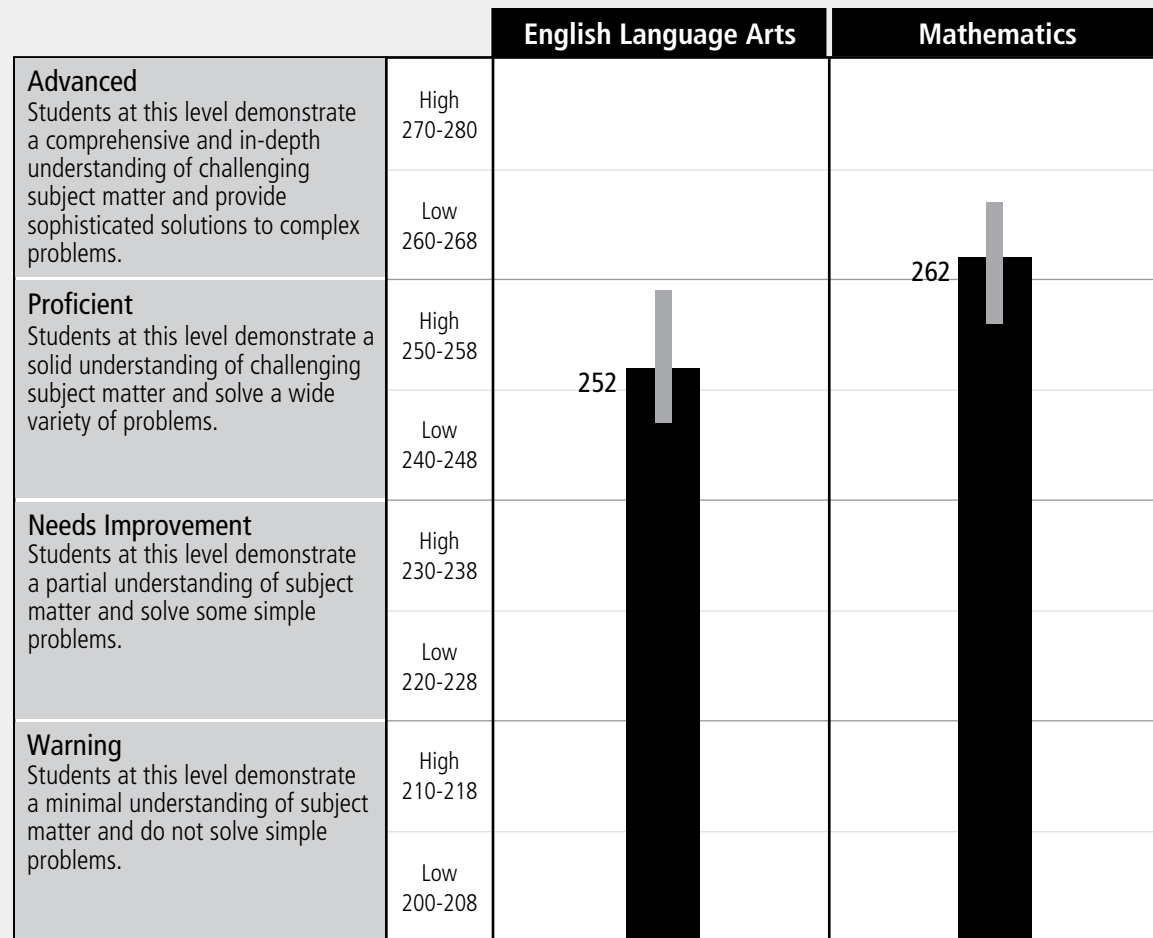
Achievement Level:
Proficient

Score:
252

Mathematics

Achievement Level:
Advanced

Score:
262



In the figure above, the top of the black bar indicates your child's score on each test. The small gray bar shows the range of likely scores your child would receive if he or she took the test multiple times.

Example:
Your child's score → 240 ← Range of likely scores if your child took the test many times.

Your child's achievement compared to school, district, and state achievement in grade 3

This section shows your child's achievement in each subject. It also shows the percentage of students at each achievement level in your child's school, district, and the state. The check (✓) indicates your child's achievement level. Percentages are not shown if fewer than 10 students took the test.

English Language Arts					
Achievement Level	Your Child	School	District	State	
Advanced		11%	} 44%	11%	} 57%
Proficient	✓	33%		35%	
Needs Improvement		38%		40%	36%
Warning		19%		14%	8%

Mathematics					
Achievement Level	Your Child	School	District	State	
Advanced	✓	17%	} 54%	24%	} 67%
Proficient		37%		32%	
Needs Improvement		25%		27%	22%
Warning		22%		17%	11%

Your child's scores in the reporting categories measured by this test

This section shows the number and percentage of possible points earned by your child in each reporting category. For comparison, you will also find the percentage of possible points earned by students who performed at the low end of the *Proficient* level across the state. This information can give you a general impression of your child's relative strengths and weaknesses.

English Language Arts	Reporting Category Code	Points Earned by Your Child	Possible Points	Percent of Possible Points Earned by Your Child	Percent of Possible Points Earned by Students Who Performed at the Low End of the <i>Proficient</i> Level
Language	LA	10	10	100%	84%
Reading	LT	32	38	84%	75%

Mathematics	Reporting Category Code	Points Earned by Your Child	Possible Points	Percent of Possible Points Earned by Your Child	Percent of Possible Points Earned by Students Who Performed at the Low End of the <i>Proficient</i> Level
Operations and Algebraic Thinking	OA	12	13	92%	67%
Number and Operations in Base Ten	NT	5	6	83%	61%
Number and Operations-Fractions	NF	5	6	83%	76%
Measurement and Data	MD	9	10	90%	73%
Geometry	GE	5	5	100%	74%