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New Jersey statute and New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) regulation require all districts to report the performance of their students on state assessments on an annual basis. This requirement is measured through the QSAC (Quality Single Accountability Continuum) process. As you are aware, the NJDOE instituted a new testing system during the 2014-15 school year. This testing system is called the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC). The third administration took place in May 2017. In addition, the district participates in a science assessment in grade 8 and a biology exam in the high school.

Shown below are comparisons for the last three years for each of these assessments. Please note that the NJDOE considers the percentage of students scoring four or better on the various PARCC exams as an indication of content mastery. The NJDOE is also in the process of defining which exams will be used to satisfy the federal testing requirements of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). As the NJDOE clarifies these procedures, I will inform the Board.

2015 PARCC ELA

							District	State
	# Tested	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	>= Level 4	>= Level 4
Grade 7	283	2%	8%	17%	47%	26%	73%	52%
Grade 8	300	3%	11%	19%	47%	19%	66%	52%
Grade 9	230	10%	18%	18%	39%	16%	55%	40%
Grade 10	257	17%	19%	20%	29%	15%	44%	37%
Grade 11	173	16%	17%	15%	38%	14%	52%	41%

2016 PARCC ELA

							District	State
	# Tested	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	>= Level 4	>= Level 4
Grade 7	279	3%	7%	19%	48%	23%	71%	57%
Grade 8	278	5%	10%	13%	50%	22%	72%	56%
Grade 9	269	5%	9%	23%	45%	17%	62%	48%
Grade 10	204	15%	15%	22%	28%	21%	49%	43%
Grade 11	98	20%	26%	20%	28%	6%	34%	39%

2017 PARCC ELA

							District	State
	# Tested	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	>= Level 4	>= Level 4
Grade 7	266	3%	5%	18%	40%	33%	73%	59%
Grade 8	277	4%	10%	15%	45%	26%	71%	59%
Grade 9	251	2%	8%	16%	53%	21%	74%	51%
Grade 10	260	20%	13%	20%	35%	12%	47%	45%
Grade 11	134	38%	21%	17%	19%	5%	24%	37%

2015 PARCC Mathematics

							District	State
	# Tested	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	>= Level 4	>= Level 4
Grade 7	285	1%	6%	20%	62%	21%	83%	37%
Grade 8	234	3%	9%	26%	60%	2%	62%	24%
Algebra 1*	293	1%	13%	23%	50%	13%	63%	36%
Geometry**	215	5%	16%	34%	37%	7%	44%	22%
Algebra II**	147	2%	7%	23%	61%	6%	67%	24%

2016 PARCC Mathematics

							District	State
	# Tested	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	>= Level 4	>= Level 4
Grade 7	282	4%	7%	18%	49%	23%	72%	38%
Grade 8	202	8%	8%	20%	58%	5%	63%	26%
Algebra 1*	368	7%	11%	17%	53%	12%	65%	41%
Geometry**	147	9%	21%	27%	29%	15%	44%	27%
Algebra II**	140	6%	9%	19%	59%	7%	66%	25%

2017 PARCC Mathematics

	# Tested	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5	District >= Level 4	State >= Level 4
Grade 7	267	1%	7%	24%	45%	23%	68%	40%
Grade 8	208	5%	8%	24%	57%	6%	63%	28%
Algebra 1*	291	2%	7%	14%	58%	19%	77%	42%
Geometry**	223	4%	14%	34%	36%	11%	47%	30%
Algebra II**	166	24%	17%	19%	38%	2%	40%	27%

* Includes 8th students who took Honors Algebra 1 in eighth grade.

** Students who double up in math take the Algebra II exam.

2015 NJASK Science - Grade 8

	# Tested	Partial	Proficient	Advanced
RDMS	315	4.9%	64.4%	30.7%
State	103,893	23.0%	57.7%	19.3%

2016 NJASK Science - Grade 8

	# Tested	Partial	Proficient	Advanced
RDMS	288	7.7%	41.2%	51.1%
State	102,317	27.1%	46.6%	26.3%

2017 NJASK Science - Grade 8

	# Tested	Partial	Proficient	Advanced
RDMS	291	11.3%	47.8%	40.9%
State	103,908	26.8%	46.6%	26.6%

2015 Biology Competency Test

	# Tested	Partial	Proficient	Advanced
RDHS	246	29.3%	52.2%	18.5%
State	105,417	43.3%	40.7%	16.0%

2016 Biology Competency Test

	# Tested	Partial	Proficient	Advanced
RDHS	271	31.3%	48.3%	20.4%
State	103,594	42.2%	44.8%	13.0%

2017 Biology Competency Test

	# Tested	Partial	Proficient	Advanced
RDHS	226	17.3%	53.1%	29.6%
State	104,967	41.9%	42.2%	15.9%

In addition to the assessments shown above, River Dell also participates in the Scholastic Aptitude Test, the ACT and the Advanced Placement program. Shown below are five year trends for River Dell students. Please note that most of the major high school rating organizations use the percentage of students scoring here or better on the various AP exams as an indication of high school success.

Advanced Placement Trend 2013 - 2017

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
# Tested	251	288	308	290	275
>= Level 3	81.3%	84.0%	84.4%	84.1%	87.3%

SAT Mean Scores 2013 - 2017

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Reading					
RDHS	522	541	543	534	534
State	499	501	500	495	495
Writing					
RDHS	526	549	550	542	542
State	500	502	499	492	492
Mathematics					
RDHS	560	573	573	566	566
State	533	523	521	514	514

ACT Mean Scores 2013 - 2017

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Reading					
RDHS	22.7	23.4	23.1	24.4	24.8
State	23.1	23.1	23.3	23.5	24.1
English					
RDHS	22.4	23.1	22.7	24.6	24.1
State	22.5	22.8	22.9	22.7	23.8

	Mathematics					
RDHS		24.1	23.5	23.5	24.6	24.0
State		23.6	23.7	23.7	23.3	23.8
	Science					
RDHS		22.1	22.5	22.0	23.5	22.8
State		22.2	22.4	22.6	22.5	23.2
	Composite					
RDHS		22.9	23.3	23.0	24.5	24.0
State		23.0	23.1	23.2	23.1	23.9

Thank you.

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