

PARCC From Start to Finish

Step 1: Take the Test, Spring 2015

5 million

students in 11 states & DC take test

Students take quality mathematics & English language arts/literacy assessments designed by educators to provide information on student progress and a road map for college and career readiness.



Step 2: Score the Test, Spring-Early Summer 2015

14,500
scorers

Three-quarters with teaching experience, all with 4-year degrees

Trained experts read and score questions students answered in writing.



Step 4: Vote to Adopt Performance Levels, August-September 2015

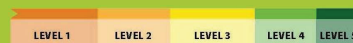
State education
chiefs

from K-12 and higher education

Review and vote to adopt common performance level "threshold scores." Each state decides on its own any additional uses of scores.

Step 3: Set Performance Levels, July-August 2015

240 educators
and experts selected by states



Educators and other experts meet to review grade-level test results and then match scores to the 5 performance levels.

Step 5: Share Score Reports, Fall 2015

Millions
of parents

receive their students' score report from their school district

The report provides actionable information to help parents, teachers and schools to work together to support students' needs, identify strengths and enhance learning.



Step 6: Sets new Baseline to Drive Growth, 2015 and beyond

All students

As with any new test, scores will improve over time. PARCC sets the bar high to ensure students are on the way to mastering the skills they need to be prepared for the next grade and college and careers after high school.

