

Kansas Assessment Program (KAP) Interpretation Guide - 2025 & Beyond

PURPOSE:

State assessments are administered at the end of a school year and are criterion-referenced. They measure the extent to which a student has mastered their grade level's Kansas standards.

PARTICIPANTS:

Students in grades 3-8, 10-11 complete tests based on their grade level.

RESULTS:

The scores in ParentVue show a student's scaled score (between 400 and 700) and performance level (1, 2, 3, or 4).

The scaled score can only be used for comparative purposes within a single grade and subject area. More information can be found [here](#).

Performance level interpretations are as follows:

- Level 1: A student at Level 1 shows **limited** ability to demonstrate their knowledge and skills of grade-level (content area) standards.
- Level 2: A student at Level 2 shows **basic** ability to demonstrate their knowledge and skills of grade-level (content area) standards.
- Level 3: A student at Level 3 shows **proficient** ability to demonstrate their knowledge and skills of grade-level (content area) standards.
- Level 4: A student at Level 4 shows **advanced** ability to demonstrate their knowledge and skills of grade-level (content area) standards.

If desired, more detailed student score reports can be found on the KITE Parent Portal. Directions for accessing scores on the Parent Portal are [here](#).

Descriptions of each test are on the next page.

TEST DETAIL:

[Note: All KAP tests are administered in the Spring. The numbers in the top row refer to a student's grade level.]

3	4	5	6	7	8	10	11	Test and Description
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		ELA (English Language Arts) The ELA assessment asks students to read and answer questions about literary passages, informational texts, and writing samples. Students demonstrate their knowledge and skills related to reading and writing by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Selecting the right answer• Sorting, matching, labeling, and ordering information.
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		Mathematics The math assessment asks students to answer computation questions and questions about data presented in word problems, equations, graphs, tables, and diagrams. Students show what they know about mathematics by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Selecting or providing the right answer• Sorting, ordering, or matching items• Creating graphs• Labeling pictures
		✓			✓		✓	Science The science assessment asks students to answer questions about data presented in narratives, equations, graphs, tables, and diagrams. Students show what they know about science by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Selecting or providing the right answer• Sorting, ordering, or matching items• Labeling pictures [NOTE: Scores for 11th grade science will not be provided from Spring 2025 testing.]

SAMPLE INTERPRETATION:

The student participated in the KAP ELA assessment. The student's scaled score in 2025 was a 528. This scored in Performance Level 2 which means that the student showed basic ability to demonstrate their knowledge and skills of ELA standards.

Kap ELA

Test	Performance	Date	KAP ELA (2025 & later) - Scale Score	KAP ELA (2015- 2024) - Scale Score
Scale	Performance	4/22/2021		330
Score	Level 3	12:00:00 AM		
Scale	Performance	4/15/2022		328
Score	Level 4	12:00:00 AM		
Scale	Performance	4/15/2023		302
Score	Level 3	12:00:00 AM		
Scale	Performance	4/15/2024		307
Score	Level 3	12:00:00 AM		
Scale	Performance	4/15/2025	528	
Score	Level 2	12:00:00 AM		

NOTE: Since new forms of the test with new scaled scores were administered in Spring 2025, scores from 2025 & beyond will be listed in a different column from scores up to 2024.