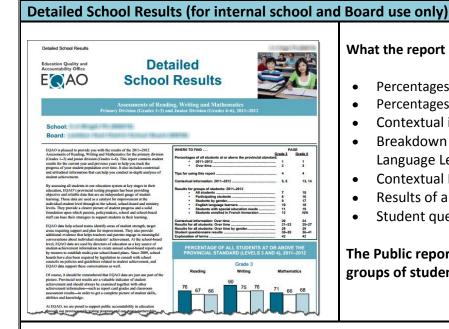
# EQAO Reports Primary/Junior

A Guide for Administrators



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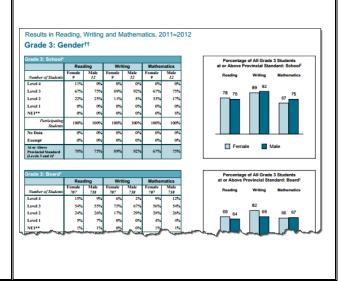


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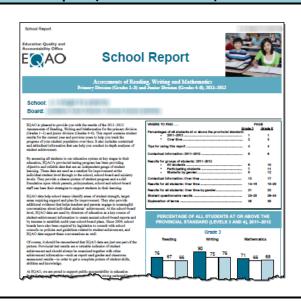
- Percentages of all students at or above the provincial standard
- Percentages of all students at or above the provincial standard over time
- Contextual information
- Breakdown for sub groups of students (participating students, gender, English Language Learners, Special Education Needs, French Immersion)
- Contextual Information over time
- Results of all students over time by gender
- Student questionnaire results

The Public report contains some of this information, but suppresses data for small groups of students as well as for some sub groups (e.g. ELL, Special Education)

- Examine the contextual information.
- ✓ How do the school results compare to the board results? The provincial results?
- ✓ Are there any changes, trends, or inconsistencies in the school results over time?
- How do the school results compare for female and male students?
- ✓ Try to account for any trends, patterns, or inconsistencies.
- ✓ Have there been any new initiatives or any changes in programs or resources at the school?
- ✓ How well is the range of students' needs being addressed in the school (e.g., students with Special Education needs, English Language Learners)?
- ✓ Consider how these results are being addressed and communicated.
- ✓ What are the school's goals for improvement?



#### **Public Report (for Public release)**



#### What the report shows:

- Percentages of all students at or above the provincial standard
- Percentages of all students at or above the provincial standard over time
- Contextual information
- Breakdown for sub groups of students (participating students, gender)
- Contextual Information over time
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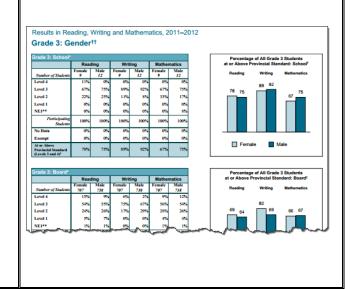
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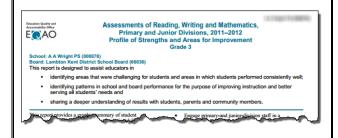
✓ Students, parents, school staff, trustees, school councils, community members and board leaders.

How to share results with the community

- ✓ Inform the community of the board's mission and vision statements
- ✓ Review results in light of previous school or board improvement plans
- ✓ Share information and results with the community and within the system
- ✓ Set a context and invite conversation about analysis, interpretation and next steps.



# Profile of Strengths and Areas of Improvement Primary Division (for internal school and Board use only) Profile of Strengths and Areas of Improvement Junior Division (for internal school and Board use only)

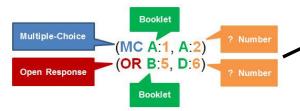


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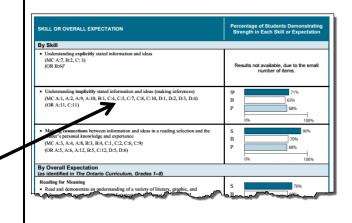
- areas that were challenging for students
- areas where students performed consistently well
- breakdown by expectation, strand and skill for literacy and mathematics
- comparison of school to board and province

#### How to use the report:

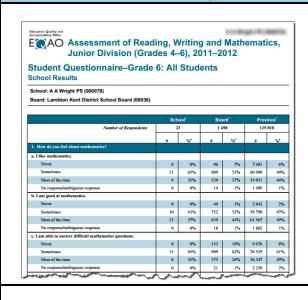
- ✓ Identify areas of strengths and weaknesses in reading, writing and mathematics.
- ✓ Identify your school's urgent learning need (e.g. Reading).
- ✓ Compare results to previous years to look for a pattern or trend.
- ✓ Select a learning focus by curriculum (e.g. Reading 1.0 Reading for Meaning).
- ✓ Select a learning focus by skill (e.g. Reading Implicit).
- ✓ Align the multiple choice and open response questions given in the Profile (from the identified focus) with the questions in the Student Assessment Booklets and Scoring Guides.



✓ To address the urgent learning need, encourage teachers to embed test questions and examples of student answers into instruction.



## Student Questionnaire Results, Primary Division (for internal school and Board use only) Student Questionnaire Results, Junior Division (for internal school and Board use only)



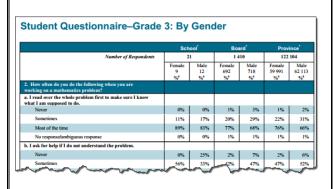
#### What the report shows:

- Student characteristics (age, language spoken)
- Attitudes toward reading, writing and mathematics
- Perception of performance in reading, writing and mathematics
- Use of technology at school
- Home support

#### How to use the report:

Note: Because the questionnaires alternate between a focus on mathematics and literacy from one year to the next, you will need to look at results over two years.

- ✓ Examine the results for each factor.
- ✓ Are there any differences in responses of students in grade 3 and grade 6?
- ✓ Are there any differences in responses of male and female students?
- ✓ Is there a pattern of positive or negative perceptions?
- ✓ How do your school results compare to those of the board and province?
- ✓ How might student achievement, improvement planning and school programs be affected by student perceptions?
- ✓ Discuss student results for specific questions with the teachers in your school (e.g. use of a calculator, I check my work for mistakes).



## Teacher Questionnaire Results (for internal school and Board use only) **E**AO Assessment of Reading, Writing and Mathematics, **Primary and Junior Divisions, 2011–2012** Teacher Questionnaire (Grade 3, Grade 6 and K-8)\* School: Board: Your School Never or hardly ever Once a month At least once a week

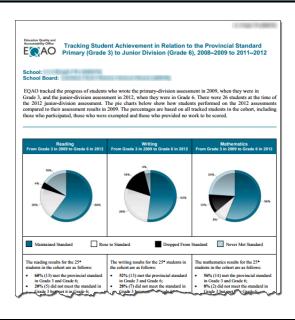
#### What the report shows:

- Classroom characteristics
- Access to resources
- Use of resources for teaching and assessing reading, writing and mathematics
- Teacher collaboration
- Use of EQAO data and resources
- Teacher information (background, experience, qualifications, professional development)

- ✓ Are there any similarities, differences, consistencies or inconsistencies in the perceptions of students and teachers about the learning environment in the school?
- ✓ As a principal, what are your perceptions of the learning environment in the school relative to those of the teachers in your school?

3. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about your school?		
a. Students take pride in this school.		
Strongly disagree or disagree	0	0%
Neither agree nor disagree	0	0%
Agree or strongly agree	7	88%
No response/ambiguous response	1	12%
b. Teachers take pride in this school.		
Strongly disagree or disagree	0	0%
Neither agree nor disagree	0	0%
Agree or strongly agree	7	88%
No response/ambiguous response	1	12%
c. There is strong school spirit in this school.		
Strongly disagree or disagree	0	0%
Neither agree nor disagree	0	0%
Agree or strongly agree	7	88%

#### Tracking a Cohort's Achievement/Four Achievement Pathways (for Public release)

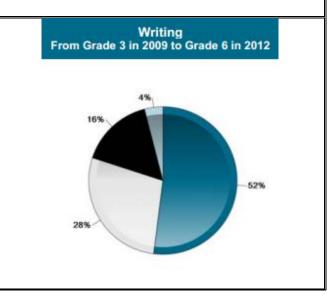


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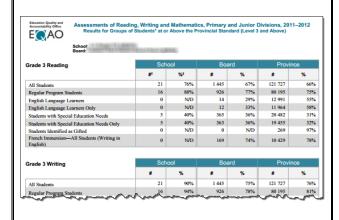
Note: results for schools with fewer than 15 students in the cohort may be suppressed and appear as 'NR'

• Results of students who wrote the primary-division assessment when they were in Grade 3, compared to the junior-division assessment when they were in Grade 6

- ✓ Consider the reports for students who were in any school in Grade 3 and in your school in Grade 6. Did the overall results improve, remain the same, or decline? How can you explain the direction of results?
- ✓ What actions can be taken to improve the outcomes for students who come into your school in the future?



#### Results for Groups of Students (for internal school and Board use only)



#### What the report shows:

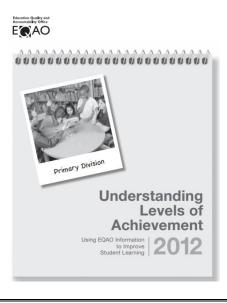
Results for subgroups of students for reading, writing, and mathematics by division for:

- All students
- Regular Program Students
- English Language Learners
- English Language Learners Only
- Students with Special Education Needs
- Students with Special Education Needs Only
- Students identified as Gifted
- French Immersion All students (Writing in English)

- ✓ Are there any differences in results for all students and subgroups of students (e.g., English language learners, students with special needs)?
- ✓ Can you identify groups of students requiring special attention, intervention or follow-up?
- ✓ Are these results consistent with other information you have about these students? Consider other sources of achievement information such as classroom assessments, student portfolios, and report cards.

Grade 3 Mathematics	School		Board		Province	
		%	#	%	#	%
All Students	21	71%	1 445	66%	126 439	68%
Regular Program Students	16	88%	926	76%	80 207	76%
English Language Learners	0	N/D	14	57%	13 101	619
English Language Learners Only	0	N/D	12	67%	12 069	649
Students with Special Education Needs	5	20%	365	39%	20 685	349
Students with Special Education Needs Only	5	20%	363	39%	19 653	359
Students Identified as Gifted	0	N/D	0	N/D	282	969
French Immersion—All Students (Writing in English or French)	0	N/D	169	69%	15 116	789
French Immersion—Students Writing in English	0	N/D	0	N/D	5 114	789
French Immersion—Students Writing in French	0	N/D	169	69%	10 002	779

#### Understanding Levels of Achievement: Using EQAO Information to Improve Student Learning (Primary/Junior Division Resource)

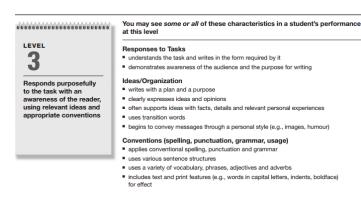


#### What the resource shows:

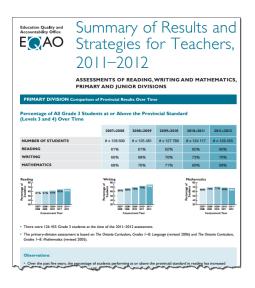
- Links between student work on the EQAO Assessments of Reading, Writing, and Mathematics, Primary and Junior Divisions and classroom instruction and assessment
- Descriptions of what an EQAO level designation means in terms of a student's performance on the assessments
- Identifies specific strategies that can be used to improve student performance

#### How to use this resource:

- ✓ Examine a body of student work in reading, writing, or mathematics from a variety of sources.
- ✓ Engage in professional dialogue about the scales and student work to find patterns and trends in student performance, and possible next steps.
- ✓ Have students apply the scales, with teacher guidance and independently, to samples of their own and others' work.
- ✓ Partner with other teachers in the same grade or division to assess samples of student work.
- ✓ Identify characteristics in the scales that support success criteria developed for classroom assessment.



#### **Summary of Results and Strategies for Teachers (Resource)**



#### What the resource shows:

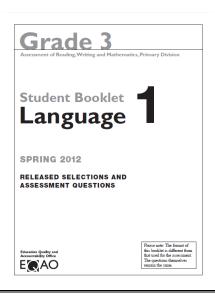
- Observations and strategies for improvement by division for each subject area
- List of Resources for Reading and Writing
- List of Resources for Mathematics

#### How to use this resource:

The provided observations and suggested strategies for improvement are meant to assist educators in helping students develop and demonstrate their knowledge and skills in reading, writing, and mathematics. The suggestions are based on an analysis of students' performance on the current year's Assessment of Reading, Writing, and Mathematics, as well as on those of the previous four school years, and on feedback from teachers who scored the current assessment.

Observations	Strategies for Improvement
itudents performed better on multiple-choice writing questions	Writing Skills and Expectations Use components of the writing process to help students but
neasuring Overall Writing Skills I (develop a main idea with	skills. Model how to brainstorm words and generate ideas
ufficient supporting details) and 2 (organize information	related to a topic before writing. Model how to select relevan
nd ideas in a coherent manner) than on those measuring	supporting details, add content by selecting sufficient details,
Overall Writing Skill 3 (use conventions—spelling, grammar, ounctuation—in a manner that does not distract from clear	and organize and present information in complete sentences
ommunication).	during writing. Model how to revise and proofread before submitting work.
The number of students scoring Codes 30 and 40 for topic	Use a writer's workshop approach to provide whole-class
levelopment on all short- and long-writing tasks has decreased	direct-teaching of a specific topic, guided writing lessons and
teadily since 2007.	independent writing time during which students either write
'his year, students' overall performance with respect to topic	their own or with support, or participate in peer or teacher-
levelopment was better on the short-writing than on the long-	student conferencing.
vriting task.	Extend opportunities for non-fiction writing in all subject a
tudents continue to perform better on conventions than on	Introduce students to commonly used non-fiction forms (e.g.
opic development for all writing tasks.	recounts, reports, procedures, persuasive texts) and have the identity their elements (e.g. a report might include headings).

#### Student Assessment Booklets and Scoring Guides (Tests Questions and Examples of Student Answers)



#### What the resource shows:

- Released assessment questions
- Scoring guides containing examples of student work for each score code
- Multiple choice answer keys to indicate the correct answers to multiple choice questions

#### How to use this resource:

- ✓ Embed selections and questions into instruction
- ✓ Include standardized test questions and the specific language that was used in the test throughout the year
- ✓ Share the exemplars with students so students can see how to improve their responses
- ✓ As indicated earlier, refer to the selections and questions as you consult other reports and resources

