


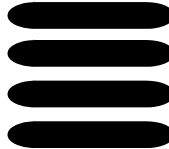


A Parent's Guide to Promotion/Retention and Grade 3-8 Georgia Milestones End-of-Grade Assessments

ACHIEVEMENT LEVEL: Milestones results are reported using four categories of achievement that are represented with bar stacks. Under the new system of reporting, **proficiency** is the target.

	<p>Beginning Learner <i>Student does not yet demonstrate proficiency</i></p>	<p>Beginning Learner: These students need substantial academic support to be prepared for the next grade-</p>
	<p>Developing Learner <i>Student demonstrates partial proficiency</i></p>	<p>Developing Learner: These students need additional academic support to ensure success in the next grade.</p>
	<p>Proficient Learner <i>Student demonstrates proficiency</i></p>	<p>Proficient Learner: These students are prepared for the next grade level and are considered to be on track for college and career readiness.</p>
	<p>Distinguished Learner <i>Student demonstrates advanced proficiency</i></p>	<p>Distinguished Learner: These students are well-prepared for the next grade level and are well-prepared for college and career readiness.</p>

State Promotion Requirements for Grades 3, 5 and 8

- **Reading Grades 3, 5, and 8:** On the *Individual Student Report* under the Domain Category of Reading and Vocabulary the student's Performance designation should be Grade Level or Above.
- **Mathematics Grades 5 and 8:** On the *Individual Student Report* the Achievement Level designation under Mathematics should be Level 2: Developing Learner, Level 3: Proficient Learner, or Level 4: Distinguished Learner.

For students requiring a retest in Reading for Grades 3, 5, and 8

- Students will retest on the English Language Arts test taking three sections over two days, as is the case during the Main Administration.

For students requiring a retest in Mathematics for Grades 5 and 8

- Student will retest on the mathematics taking two sections on a single day of testing, as is the case during the Main Administration.

Whitfield County Schools Testing Dates

Georgia Milestones Main Administration: April 13-26, 2016

Georgia Milestones Make-Up Administration: May 16-20, 2016

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