
WASL Grades 5 – 2004 to 2009

WASL: Overview

The Washington Assessment of Student Learning (WASL) is a criterion-referenced test specifically aligned to state standards. Unlike most standardized tests, which are all multiple choice, the WASL is a mix of multiple-choice, short-answer and extended-response questions. The WASL is used to meet testing requirements under the federal No Child Left Behind Act. WASL scores determine whether a school, a district or the state has met Adequate Yearly Progress.

WASL: Grade 5 Test

The fifth-grade WASL tests mathematics, reading (operational in 2006) and science skills (operational in 2004).

The mathematics test will consist of 35 items, resulting in 55 points. The mathematics section consist of concepts and procedures (number sense, measurement, geometric sense, probability and statistics, and algebraic sense) and four fundamental processes (solves problems, reasons logically, communicates understanding, and makes connections).

The fifth-grade reading test will consist of 31 items, resulting in 44 points. On every Reading WASL at every grade level, each test form includes six passages-50% literary passages and 50% informational passages. Each Reading WASL always has one "pair" that can be a poem and a story, an informational passage and another informational passage or a literary passage and an informational passage. Whatever the pairing, the two passages are all linked by a similar subject or idea. Students are then asked to compare and contrast ideas across texts.

The fifth grade science WASL consists of 38 items, resulting in a 56-point test. Tests include about six scenarios with five to eight items associated with each and several stand alone items.

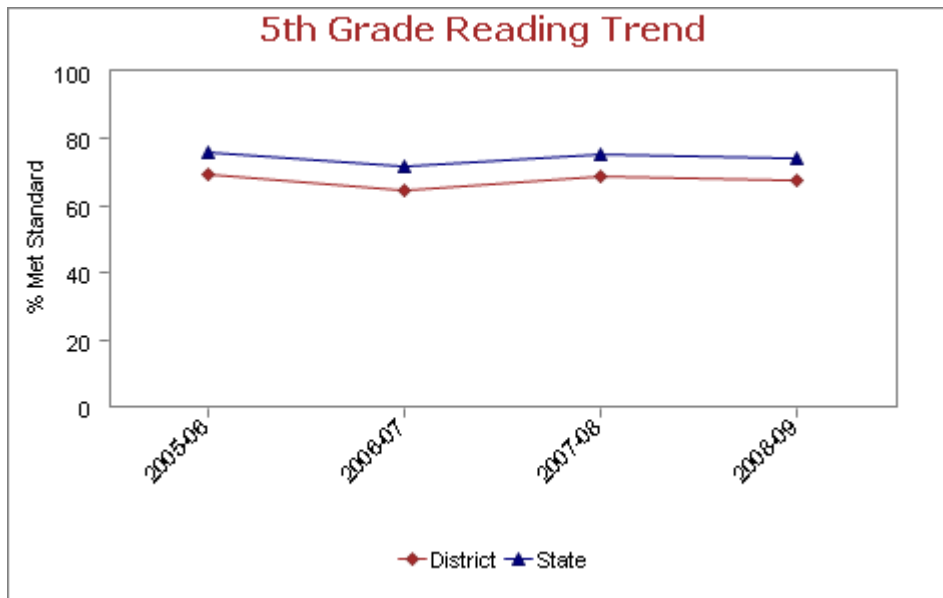
Frequently Asked Questions about the WASL:

<http://www.k12.wa.us/assessment/WASL/FAQ.aspx>

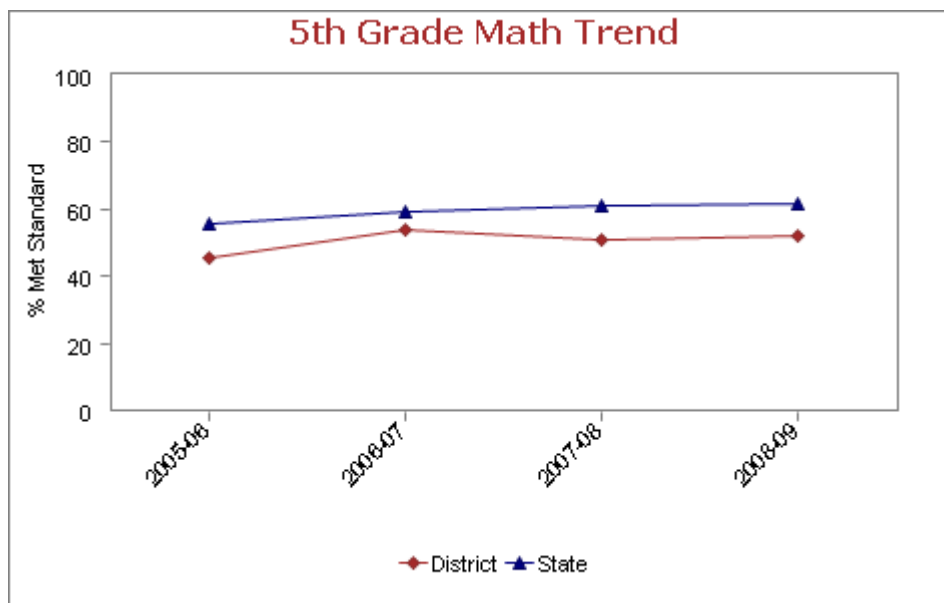
Information regarding WASL test and item specifications:

<http://www.k12.wa.us/assessment/WASL/testspec.aspx>

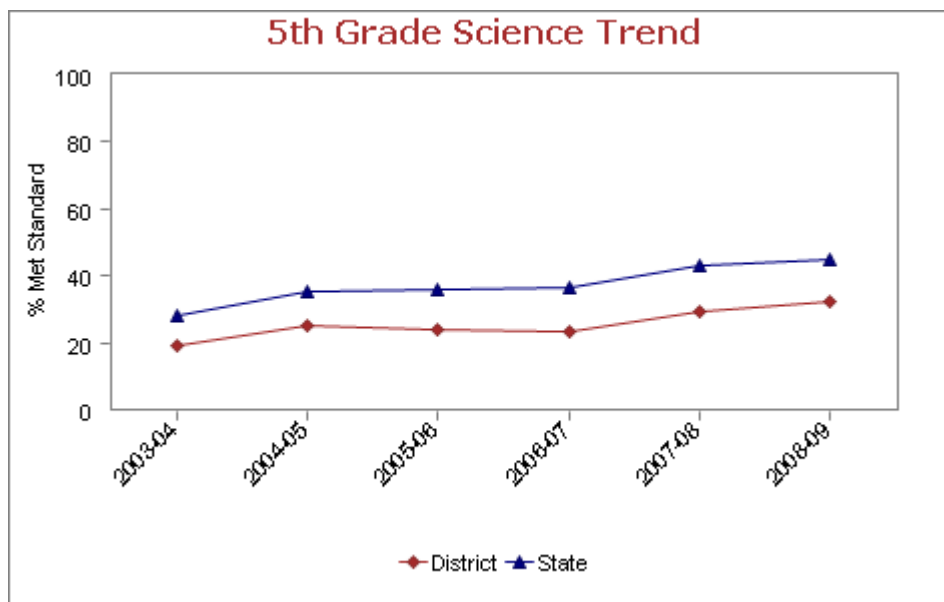
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District and State Comparison – Spring 2006 to 2009



**Washington Assessment of Student Learning (WASL)
Percent Meeting or Exceeding Standard 5th Grade **Mathematics**
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**Washington Assessment of Student Learning (WASL)
Percent Meeting or Exceeding Standard 5th Grade **Science**
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**Washington Assessment of Student Learning (WASL)
Percent Meeting or Exceeding Standard 5th Grade **Reading** – Spring 2006 to 2009**

	06	07	08	09
Arlington	76.1	65.6	67.9	53.1
Birney	72.9	68.2	61.4	54.5
Blix	70.3	58.8	59.0	57.9
Boze	40.0	44.6	54.5	65.5
Browns Pt	94.3	87.0	82.4	93.3
Bryant	53.8	41.7	71.8	80.5
Crescent Hts	89.2	87.3	85.4	82.0
DeLong	75.3	64.3	88.7	63.6
Downing	78.6	67.9	76.4	66.7
Edison	62.3	70.5	64.8	65.1
Fawcett	65.3	55.4	69.3	68.7
Fern Hill	72.5	66.7	54.8	61.2

	06	07	08	09
Franklin	65.1	60.9	69.0	52.2
Geiger	78.9	78.6	65.9	41.7
Grant	66.0	79.0	87.8	88.1
H Stafford	--	50.0	58.3	63.6
Jefferson	75.0	65.0	48.4	71.4
Larchmont	65.7	57.8	73.8	77.4
Lister	74.7	56.8	62.2	49.3
Lowell	87.7	73.5	86.2	86.7
Lyon	64.9	81.1	45.2	60.0
Manitou Pk	76.2	64.8	65.5	66.3
Mann	58.3	69.0	55.6	58.2
McCarver	57.1	37.2	66.7	65.4

	06	07	08	09
McKinley	65.9	60.0	61.5	52.6
NE Tacoma	72.8	56.6	64.7	71.6
Pt Defiance	91.9	72.6	73.2	63.2
Reed	69.1	58.8	58.7	49.3
Roosevelt	46.7	61.3	54.2	57.9
Sheridan	48.5	61.8	51.1	49.5
Sherman	85.0	66.7	75.6	79.3
Skyline	86.3	72.7	82.6	85.4
Stanley	69.2	65.5	74.4	78.0
Wainwright	71.2	74.4	73.6	86.3
Wash/Hoyt	81.8	78.1	88.5	83.9
Whitman	68.6	66.7	73.2	74.0
Whittier	87.2	78.2	91.1	79.4

District	69.7	64.8	69.0	67.8
State	76.3	71.9	75.6	74.0

**Washington Assessment of Student Learning (WASL)
Percent Meeting or Exceeding Standard 5th Grade **Mathematics** – Spring 2006 to 2009**

	06	07	08	09
Arlington	39.1	59.4	57.1	38.8
Birney	47.1	59.1	50.0	42.3
Blix	25.8	45.6	39.3	47.4
Boze	21.3	29.7	36.4	34.5
Browns Pt	72.9	84.4	70.3	81.7
Bryant	38.5	50.0	53.8	51.2
Crescent Hts	61.7	75.5	66.0	71.0
DeLong	61.6	47.1	66.1	50.7
Downing	51.8	67.9	69.1	62.2
Edison	49.3	38.9	41.8	46.2
Fawcett	47.3	54.1	49.3	58.2
Fern Hill	30.8	46.7	32.6	32.7

	06	07	08	09
Franklin	37.2	50.0	45.2	23.9
Geiger	50.0	72.4	46.3	29.2
Grant	32.1	67.7	67.3	67.2
H Stafford	--	47.8	33.3	41.6
Jefferson	66.7	42.5	38.7	53.6
Larchmont	37.9	59.4	47.5	51.6
Lister	59.5	51.4	54.1	39.1
Lowell	63.9	65.3	69.2	75.8
Lyon	54.1	51.4	28.6	42.9
Manitou Pk	33.7	51.1	41.4	48.3
Mann	36.7	46.5	43.8	50.7
McCarver	22.2	25.6	33.3	44.2

	06	07	08	09
McKinley	42.9	38.0	46.2	42.1
NE Tacoma	44.4	43.4	48.5	50.0
Pt Defiance	53.2	62.9	53.6	57.9
Reed	36.2	45.0	35.9	23.3
Roosevelt	35.5	41.9	33.3	36.8
Sheridan	33.0	58.4	38.0	37.4
Sherman	71.7	61.5	62.2	72.4
Skyline	74.5	74.5	87.0	81.3
Stanley	23.1	56.9	51.2	66.0
Wainwright	60.6	64.3	52.8	74.5
Wash/Hoyt	74.5	73.4	72.1	75.8
Whitman	50.0	52.0	48.2	59.2
Whittier	67.6	60.0	68.9	60.3

District	45.7	53.7	50.9	52.3
State	55.8	59.5	61.2	61.9

**Washington Assessment of Student Learning (WASL)
Percent Meeting or Exceeding Standard 5th Grade Science – Spring 2004 to 2009**

	04	05	06	07	08	09
Arlington	2.9	9.5	8.7	21.9	39.3	26.5
Birney	21.0	11.9	12.9	16.7	24.3	16.7
Blix	10.1	8.1	12.1	7.4	14.8	17.5
Boze	4.7	5.7	8.8	5.4	16.4	12.7
Browns Pt	54.4	51.5	50.0	57.1	47.3	66.7
Bryant	27.8	25.0	15.4	12.5	41.0	46.3
Crescent Hts	46.1	48.0	34.4	33.3	41.5	43.0
DeLong	18.7	33.9	31.1	22.9	42.9	21.1
Downing	20.0	36.9	25.0	28.6	38.2	40.0
Edison	12.0	12.1	14.1	14.7	13.2	17.1
Fawcett	16.1	12.2	25.7	17.6	30.7	38.8
Fern Hill	13.0	7.5	13.2	18.3	9.5	24.5
Franklin	20.8	21.0	11.6	17.4	28.6	10.9
Geiger	19.3	32.6	34.2	62.1	31.7	12.5
Grant	20.4	25.9	9.4	24.2	53.1	56.7
H Stafford ¹	--	--	--	4.3	35.0	42.9
Jefferson	20.8	36.4	29.2	12.5	19.4	14.3
Larchmont	15.2	34.2	13.6	12.5	18.0	14.5
Lister	25.3	32.9	40.5	29.7	39.2	18.8
Lowell	52.1	50.6	48.6	40.8	40.0	51.6
Lyon	11.1	23.7	18.9	27.0	2.4	14.3
Manitou Pk	15.9	20.2	20.2	13.6	12.6	29.2
Mann	13.1	14.9	15.0	14.1	15.6	14.9
McCarver	0.0	12.3	9.5	4.7	14.6	23.1
McKinley	16.3	14.7	30.4	14.0	19.2	18.4
NE Tacoma	16.7	25.0	13.3	9.2	20.6	30.7
Pt Defiance	15.7	22.5	24.2	24.2	35.7	42.1
Reed	9.5	10.7	10.1	18.8	14.3	16.4
Roosevelt	7.3	17.9	12.9	9.7	16.7	22.2
Sheridan	7.8	18.1	12.6	14.6	14.1	29.3
Sherman	20.8	37.3	43.3	38.5	31.1	37.9
Skyline	21.0	39.6	51.0	52.7	63.0	58.3
Stanley	25.0	10.1	14.8	27.6	20.9	30.0
Wainwright	34.2	39.1	37.9	47.6	37.7	51.0
Wash/Hoyt	32.7	47.2	54.5	65.6	63.9	66.1
Whitman	11.6	23.8	29.6	20.0	32.1	28.9
Whittier	21.7	37.9	53.7	37.0	64.4	69.8
District	18.9	25.0	23.8	23.3	29.6	32.3
State	28.2	35.6	35.7	36.5	43.0	44.9

¹H Stafford did not open until the 2006-07 school year.

*Numbers represent the percent of all enrolled students, less those students exempt from testing, scoring at or above the state performance standard.