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On August 24, 2016, the California Department of Education released the 2016 CAASPP Results for districts across the State. The public can access these results at <http://caaspp.cde.ca.gov>.

The CAASPP -- the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress -- are computer-based assessments in English Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics. The CAASPP replaced the paper-based Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) program two years ago. Last Spring, Piedmont Students in grades 3–8 and 11 participated in the 2016 CAASPP.

The assessments are “adaptive” in that they take into account the student’s correct or incorrect answers to generate succeeding questions. These assessments move beyond multiple choice, and include performance tasks that require complex written responses. For these reasons, the CAASPP are designed to provide a more complete understanding of student knowledge and critical thinking skills for college and career readiness.

Piedmont students performed superbly. Superintendent Booker commented, “Piedmont’s students continue to demonstrate a remarkable level of academic excellence. I am extremely proud of their efforts, as well as the extraordinary teaching and support found across the District.”

The following charts provide overall CAASPP results for Piedmont Unified as well as other unified school districts that are historically comparable to Piedmont Unified. The values indicate the percentage of test-takers (grades 3-8, 11) who either “met” or “exceeded” the Common Core Standards in English Language Arts/Literacy and Mathematics.

Like class assignments and report cards, the new assessments are one gauge of student progress, providing information to schools, teachers, and parents about how students perform relative to California’s goals for both learning and college and career readiness. These results will be used as one of several means to determine and meet student needs, and guide discussions among parents and teachers. Also, the scores will be used as a baseline for the progress teachers expect students to make over time.

Unified (K-12) School Districts – English Language Arts & Mathematics

Piedmont Unified ranks #3 in the state of California in the percentage of students who either met or exceeded the standards in English language Arts/Literacy and #1 in the state of California in the percentage of students who either met or exceeded the standards in Mathematics.

Unified School District	English Language Arts/Literacy: Standard Exceeded/Met	Mathematics: Standard Exceeded/Met
Piedmont Unified	87% (#1 in Northern California) (#3 in the state)	87% #1 in Northern California) (Tied for #1 in the state)
Albany Unified	77%	73%
Arcadia Unified	77%	77%
Berkeley Unified	62%	58%
Dublin Unified	79%	73%
Fremont Unified	75%	71%
Irvine Unified	79%	75%
La Cañada Unified	88%	84%
Laguna Beach Unified	82%	70%
Los Alamitos Unified	81%	72%
Manhattan Beach Unified	82%	73%
Oak Park Unified	79%	73%
Palo Alto Unified	83%	84%
Palos Verdes Unified	80%	74%
Pleasanton Unified	81%	76%
San Marino Unified	90%	87%
San Ramon Unified	82%	76%
South Pasadena Unified	81%	78%
Alameda County	55%	46%
California	44%	33%

High Schools – English Language Arts

Piedmont High School ranks #1 in the state of California in the percentage of students who either met or exceeded the standards in English language Arts/Literacy.

District	High School	English Language Arts/Literacy: Standard Exceeded/Met
Piedmont Unified	Piedmont High	97
San Ramon Unified	Dougherty Valley High School	96
Fremont Union	Monta Vista High School	95
San Francisco Unified	Lowell High School	95
Fremont Unified	Mission San Jose High School	94
Palo Alto Unified	Gunn High School	94
Acalanes Union	Acalanes High School	92
Palo Alto Unified	Palo Alto High School	92
Fremont Union	Lynbrook High School	91
San Ramon Unified	Monte Vista High School	91
Acalanes Union	Campolindo High School	88
Acalanes Union	Miramonte High School	88
Fremont Union	Cupertino High School	87
La Cañada Unified	La Cañada High School	87
Pleasanton Unified	Foothill High School	87
San Ramon Unified	California High School	87
Irvine Unified	Northwood High School	86
Albany Unified	Albany High School	83
Pleasanton Unified	Amador Valley	83
San Marino Unified	San Marino High School	83
Laguna Beach Unified	Laguna Beach High School	82
Irvine Unified	Woodbridge High School	80
Irvine Unified	Irvine High School	79
Irvine Unified	University High School	79
San Ramon Unified	San Ramon Valley High School	79
Los Alamitos Unified	Los Alamitos High School	77
Arcadia Unified	Arcadia High School	76
Manhattan Beach Unified	Mira Costa High School	75
Acalanes Union High School	Las Lomas High School	71
Oak Park Unified	Oak Park High School	71

High Schools – Mathematics

Piedmont High School ranks #7 in the state of California in the percentage of students who either met or exceeded the standards in Mathematics.

District	High School	Math: Standard Exceeded/Met
Fremont Union	Monta Vista High School	94
Palo Alto Unified	Gunn High School	92
Fremont Unified	Mission San Jose High School	91
Fremont Union	Lynbrook High School	90
Palo Alto Unified	Palo Alto High School	89
San Francisco Unified	Lowell High School	88
Piedmont Unified	Piedmont High	87
San Ramon Unified	Dougherty Valley High School	87
Fremont Union	Cupertino High School	83
La Cañada Unified	La Cañada High School	83
Irvine Unified	Northwood High School	82
San Marino Unified	San Marino High School	80
Acalanes Union	Miramonte High School	79
Pleasanton Unified	Amador Valley	78
San Ramon Unified	Monte Vista High School	77
Acalanes Union	Campolindo High School	77
Albany Unified	Albany High School	76
Irvine Unified	University High School	73
Arcadia Unified	Arcadia High School	73
Acalanes Union	Acalanes High School	72
San Ramon Unified	California High School	72
San Ramon Unified	San Ramon Valley High School	72
Irvine Unified	Woodbridge High School	70
Pleasanton Unified	Foothill High School	69
Oak Park Unified	Oak Park High School	67
Irvine Unified	Irvine High School	66
Manhattan Beach Unified	Mira Costa High School	64
Laguna Beach Unified	Laguna Beach High School	56
Acalanes Union	Las Lomas High School	55
Los Alamitos Unified	Los Alamitos High School	54