



UNDERSTANDING YOUR STUDENT SCORE REPORT

GRADES 10 and 12

California Science Test

This guide will explain your child's score report. Please speak to your child's teacher(s) if you have more questions.

A message from the State Superintendent, Tom Torlakson

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I invite you to learn more about the CA NGSS from your child's school.

1 Your child's information

Here you find your child's student number, date of birth, grade, test date, school, and local educational agency. If available, your mailing address also appears in this section.

2 California Science Test (CAST) for High School

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Much like California's standards in mathematics and English language arts/literacy, these new standards will give students an up-to-date science education and equip them with the ability to think critically, analyze information, and solve complex problems.

The pilot test is meant to evaluate test questions, as well as help students and schools become familiar with the new standards and content. Individual student scores will not be available until the new test is ready for operational use statewide.

3 Next Year: A New Kind of Science Test for California

As part of the CAASPP System, the CAST assesses the new CA NGSS and is more challenging than California's previously administered exams because students are tested on deeper content that is needed to prepare for college and the 21st-century job market.

These new tests contain a wider variety of questions, tasks, and problems than traditional multiple-choice tests. This allows students to demonstrate science and engineering practices along with their knowledge of disciplinary core ideas.

Assessments represent just one part of California's comprehensive plan for high-quality teaching and learning. California is phasing in more training for teachers, more resources for students, and more access to technology. These changes take time and effort. They are designed to help students succeed in the long run and achieve their dreams of college and a career. Find out more at your child's school or on the California Department of Education (CDE) CAASPP System Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/cal/>.

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Austin Russell
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STUDENT ID #: 999919991 DATE OF BIRTH: 04/01/2001
GRADE: 10 TEST DATE: Spring 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian of Austin Russell:

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Sincerely,
Tom Torlakson
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State Superintendent of Public Instruction

FOR THE PARENT/GUARDIAN OF:
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