

APPENDIX O
SAMPLE REPORTS—MCAS

Spring 2021 MCAS Tests Parent/Guardian Report



2021 Score is **501 – Meeting Expectations**

Your child met grade-level expectations and is academically on track to succeed in the current grade in this subject.

The dashed line below shows the range of likely scores your child would receive if they took the tests multiple times.

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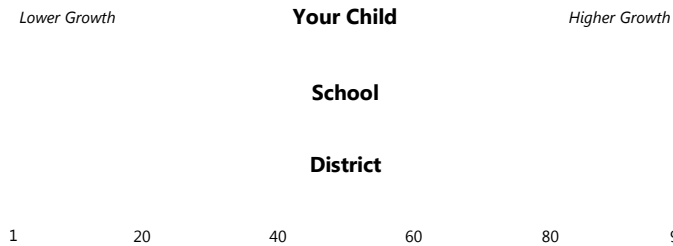
How did my child perform compared to students in their school, district, and state?

Your Child's		Year	Average Score		
Grade	Score		School	District	State
5	501	2021	501	500	494

How does my child's academic progress, or growth, compare to students with similar prior MCAS scores in their school, district, and state?

2021 Student Growth Percentiles

The student growth percentile (1-99) compares your child's progress to the progress of other students with similar prior MCAS scores.



The questions below can help you talk with your child and your child's teacher about what they are currently learning in their **sixth grade** Science and Technology/Engineering class. The complete **Family Guide for grade 6** is available at www.doe.mass.edu/highstandards and contains information about what your child is expected to know by the end of the school year.



QUESTIONS YOU CAN ASK YOUR CHILD:

- ▶ What kinds of materials and tools would you use to build a birdhouse?
- ▶ What are some ways to separate salt from salt water?

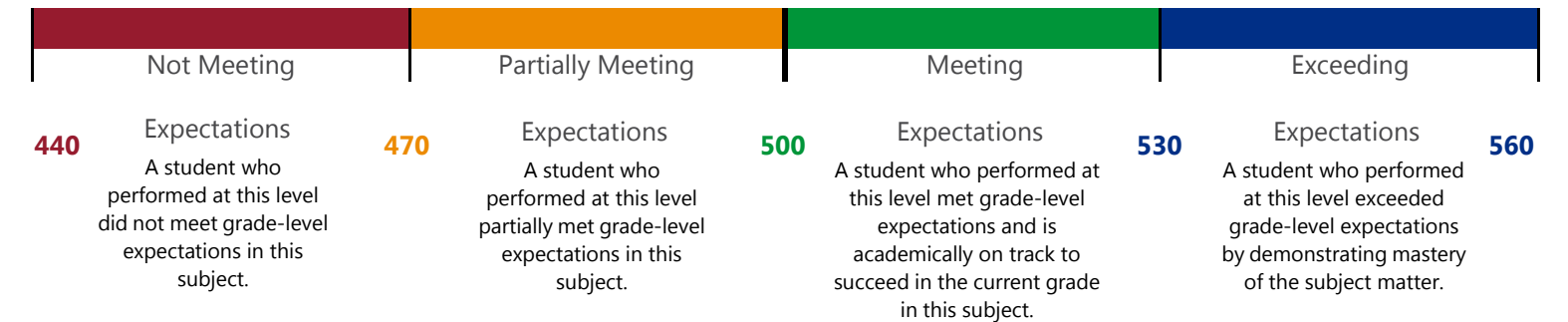


TOPICS YOU CAN DISCUSS WITH YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER:

- ▶ Ways of applying what your child learns in science to everyday situations
- ▶ Places in the community that can help your child learn science

Name: _____ District: _____
 SASID: _____ School: _____
 Date of Birth: _____ Grade: 5

This report provides your child's results on the spring 2021 Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) tests. For each test your child took in spring 2021, the report shows your child's score (between 440 and 560) and an associated achievement level. See the graphic below for a description of each achievement level.



NOTE: Due to the interruptions to teaching and learning that occurred during the 2020-2021 schoolyear, there are important differences to this year's MCAS tests and the results on this report for your child, compared to MCAS tests in previous years.



The amount of time for testing was reduced to help schools adapt to different learning schedules.



Students took one-half of a regular test in each subject. Some students took Session 1 of the test, and others took Session 2.



Students learning remotely could take the tests on a computer at home.



Information about your child's achievement in this report should be used alongside other assessments, such as school tests and classroom work, when possible.

In addition to your child's results, the report also shows how students in your child's school and the state did on the test, how achievement changed over time, and how your child's academic progress, or growth, compares to other students.



Participation rates varied across schools and districts in 2021 more than they did in prior years. If the participation rate in your child's school and/or district was lower this year than in prior years, be aware that the school and/or district results may have been different if more students had taken the test. Information about school and district participation rates is available at profiles.doe.mass.edu/statereport/participation.aspx.



The bottom of each page has information specifically designed for families to help you support your child's learning in their *current grade*. Visit the link to view the **Family Guides** to review the grade-specific knowledge and skill expectations for your child in each subject for the 2021-2022 school year.



Consider meeting with your child's principal, counselor, or teacher to discuss areas where improvement may be needed and/or ways to keep your child challenged and performing at a high level.

2021 Score is **514 – Meeting Expectations**

Your child met grade-level expectations and is academically on track to succeed in the current grade in this subject.
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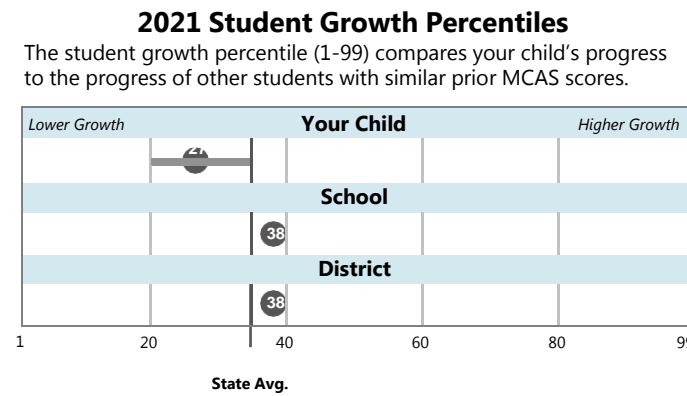
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How did my child perform compared to students in their school, district, and state?

Your Child's		Year	Average Score		
Grade	Score		School	District	State
5	514	2021	501	501	497
3	533	2019			

How does my child's academic progress, or growth, compare to students with similar prior MCAS scores in their school, district, and state?



The questions below can help you talk with your child and your child's teacher about what they are currently learning in their **sixth grade** English Language Arts class. The complete **Family Guide for grade 6** is available at www.doe.mass.edu/highstandards and contains information about what your child is expected to know by the end of the school year.

QUESTIONS YOU CAN ASK YOUR CHILD:

- ▶ Can you tell me about the last research project you did?
- ▶ When you are working in a group, how do you and your classmates decide how you will get your work done?

TOPICS YOU CAN DISCUSS WITH YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER:

- ▶ What new types of writing your child is exploring
- ▶ What topics your child is curious about and what types of things they read at home

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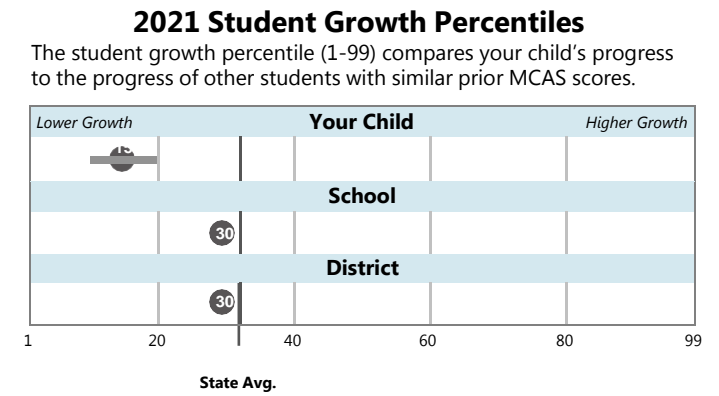
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How did my child perform compared to students in their school, district, and state?

Your Child's		Year	Average Score		
Grade	Score		School	District	State
5	503	2021	493	492	490
3	520	2019			

How does my child's academic progress, or growth, compare to students with similar prior MCAS scores in their school, district, and state?



The questions below can help you talk with your child and your child's teacher about what they are currently learning in their **sixth grade** Mathematics class. The complete **Family Guide for grade 6** is available at www.doe.mass.edu/highstandards and contains information about what your child is expected to know by the end of the school year.

QUESTIONS YOU CAN ASK YOUR CHILD:

- ▶ How long will it take to drive home if we go 30 miles per hour?
- ▶ How many goals does your soccer team typically score?

TOPICS YOU CAN DISCUSS WITH YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER:

- ▶ Ways to practice using ratios and rates at home
- ▶ Your child's fluency with basic operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division)