

Measuring Student Progress for over 40 Years

NAEP began in 1964 through a grant from the Carnegie Corporation to set up an Exploratory Committee for the Assessment of Progress in Education. The first national assessments were conducted in 1969. Voluntary assessments for states began in 1990. Beginning in 2003, the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 mandated that all states participate in NAEP as a prerequisite to their receiving Title I funds. Florida State Statute Section 1008.22(2) requires all selected Florida schools to participate in NAEP.



NAEP 2011 is Coming!

Who will take NAEP? The *No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act* requires that selected districts and schools participate in the NAEP assessments. NAEP 2011 will be administered to a statewide sample of students in grades 4, 8, and 12.

What will NAEP assess? NAEP 2011 will assess Mathematics and Reading in grade 4, Mathematics, Reading, and Science in grade 8, and Writing in grade 12. All of the grade 12 students and some of the grade 8 students will participate in computer-based assessments. The laptop computers will be supplied by Westat, the contractor for NAEP.

When will NAEP be administered? NAEP 2011 and will be January 24 - February 24.

Where can you find additional information?

Visit <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard> and <http://www.fldoe.org/asp/naep/> or contact Michele Sonnenfeld, Florida's NAEP State Coordinator, or your District Assessment Coordinator.

NAEP: Myth or Truth?

Myth: The NAEP State Coordinator selects the districts/schools to be assessed.

Truth: The national office under the U.S. Department of Education uses a *Sample Design* which is drawn from all of the counties in the U.S. Specific counties are chosen based upon a number of variables, e.g., location, population, percent of minority students. All schools are considered for inclusion except for ESE and DJJ facilities. Other than these facilities, all selected schools must participate.

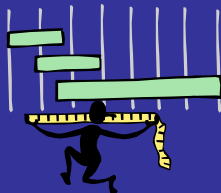
Myth: The school must provide testing administrators and proctors for the assessments.

Truth: Usually, school personnel are not required to give the tests. All testing administrators and proctors are trained, contracted Westat employees who come to the school and administer the assessments. (Westat is the NAEP administration contractor for the National Center for Education Statistics.)

Myth: The NAEP assessment is an all-day test and students test in all subjects.

Truth: The assessment takes approximately 90 to 120 minutes, including set-up and test collection. Each student takes only one subject area test.

Want to know more about what NAEP measures?



Visit the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES) website at

<http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard>

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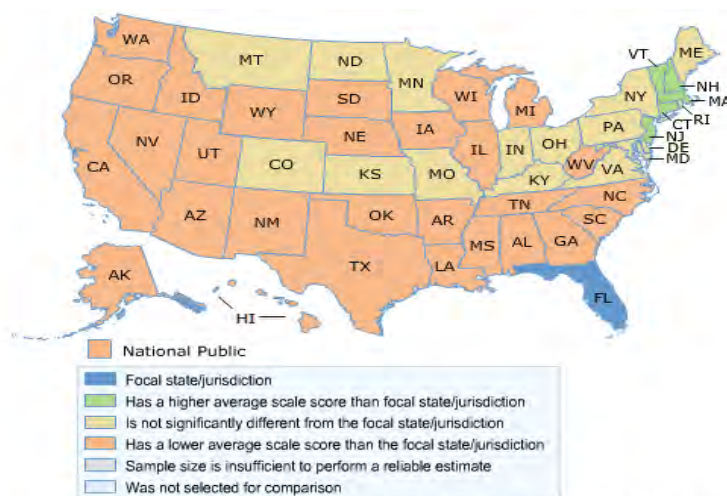
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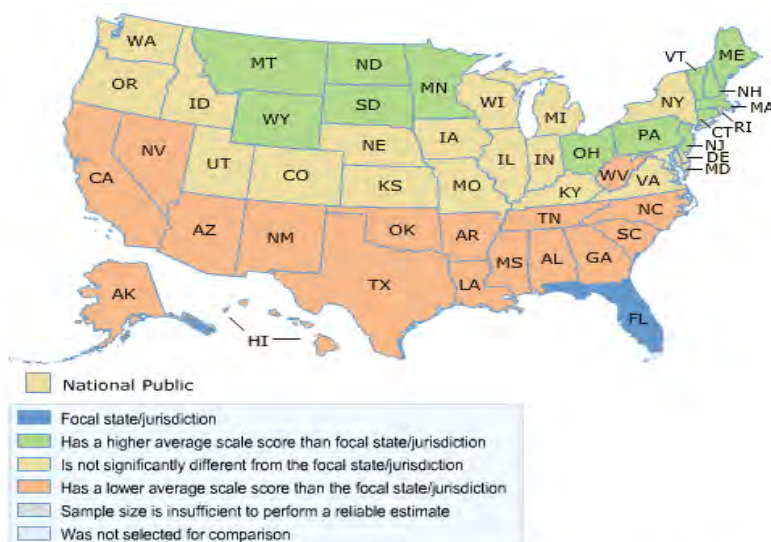
NAEP state and national data is reported in a variety of formats that show student performance using scale scores, percentiles, and percentages of students performing at Basic, Proficient, and Advanced achievement levels. Below is data from NAEP 2009 Reading. For additional NAEP results, visit <http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard>

Grade 4 Reading 2009, Average Scale Scores



NOTE: DoDEA=Department of Defense Education and Activity (overseas and domestic schools).
SOURCE: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Statistics, National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), 2009 Reading Assessments.

Grade 8 Reading 2009, Average Scale Scores



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