

Ohio's Alternate Assessment for Students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities (AASCD)

Performance Level Descriptors (PLDs)

PERFORMANCE LEVEL DESCRIPTORS FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS, GRADES 3-5

Advanced	Accelerated	Proficient	Basic	Limited
Student consistently demonstrates knowledge and skills that align with Ohio's Extended English Language Arts Academic Content Standards at grades 3–5.	Student usually demonstrates knowledge and skills that align with Ohio's Extended English Language Arts Academic Content Standards at grades 3–5.	Student often demonstrates knowledge and skills that align with Ohio's Extended English Language Arts Academic Content Standards at grades 3–5.	Student sometimes demonstrates knowledge and skills that align with Ohio's Extended English Language Arts Academic Content Standards at grades 3–5.	Student rarely demonstrates knowledge and skills that align with Ohio's Extended English Language Arts Academic Content Standards at grades 3–5.

English Language Arts Strands and Topics for Grades 3–5:

Reading Standards for Literature	Reading Standards for Informational Text	Foundational Skills	Writing	Language
Key Ideas and Details Craft and Structure Integration of Knowledge and Ideas Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	Key Ideas and Details Craft and Structure Integration of Knowledge and Ideas Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	Phonics and Word Recognition Fluency	Text Types and Purposes Production and Distribution of Writing Research to Build and Present Knowledge Range of Writing	Conventions of Standard English Knowledge of Language Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

PERFORMANCE LEVEL DESCRIPTORS FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS, GRADES 6-8

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English Language Arts Strands and Topics for Grades 6–8:

Reading Standards for Literature	Reading Standards for Informational Text	Writing	Language
Key Ideas and Details Craft and Structure Integration of Knowledge and Ideas Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	Key Ideas and Details Craft and Structure Integration of Knowledge and Ideas Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	Text Types and Purposes Production and Distribution of Writing Research to Build and Present Knowledge Range of Writing	Conventions of Standard English Knowledge of Language Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

PERFORMANCE LEVEL DESCRIPTORS FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS, HIGH SCHOOL

Advanced	Accelerated	Proficient	Basic	Limited
The student consistently demonstrates knowledge and skills that align with Ohio's Extended English Language Arts Academic Content Standards at grades 9–12.	The student usually demonstrates knowledge and skills that align with Ohio's Extended English Language Arts Academic Content Standards at grades 9–12.	The student often demonstrates knowledge and skills that align with Ohio's Extended English Language Arts Academic Content Standards at grades 9–12.	The student sometimes demonstrates knowledge and skills that align with Ohio's Extended English Language Arts Academic Content Standards at grades 9–12.	The student rarely demonstrates knowledge and skills that align with Ohio's Extended English Language Arts Academic Content Standards at grades 9–12.

English Language Arts Strands and Topics for High School:

Reading Standards for Literature	Reading Standards for Informational Text	Writing	Language
Key Ideas and Details Craft and Structure Integration of Knowledge and Ideas Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	Key Ideas and Details Craft and Structure Integration of Knowledge and Ideas Range of Reading and Level of Text Complexity	Text Types and Purposes Production and Distribution of Writing Research to Build and Present Knowledge Range of Writing	Conventions of Standard English Knowledge of Language Vocabulary Acquisition and Use

PERFORMANCE LEVEL DESCRIPTORS FOR MATHEMATICS, GRADES 3-5

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Mathematics Domains and Clusters for Grades 3–5:

Operations and Algebraic Thinking	Number and Operations in Base Ten	Measurement and Data	Geometry	Numbers and Operations: Fractions
Represent and solve problems involving multiplication and division. Understand properties of multiplication and the relationship between multiplication and division. Multiply and divide within 100. Solve problems involving the four operations and identify and explain patterns in arithmetic. Use order of operations to solve expressions. Generate and analyze patterns: Analyze patterns and relationships.	Use place value understanding and properties of operations to perform multi-digit arithmetic. Generalize place value understanding for multi-digit whole numbers. Understand the place value system. Perform operations with multi-digit whole numbers and with decimals to hundredths.	Solve problems involving measurement and estimation of intervals of time, liquid volume and masses of objects. Solve problems involving measurement and conversion of measurements from a larger unit to a smaller unit. Convert like measurement units within a given measurement system. Represent and interpret data. Geometric measurement: Understand concepts of area and relate area to	Graph points on the coordinate plane to solve real-world and mathematical problems. Reason with shapes and their attributes: Draw and identify lines and angles, and classify shapes by properties of their lines and angles. Classify two-dimensional figures into categories based on their properties.	Develop understanding of fractions as numbers. Apply and extend previous knowledge of multiplication and division to multiply and divide fractions.

		<p>multiplication and addition.</p> <p>Geometric measurement: Recognize perimeter as an attribute of plane figures and distinguish between linear and area measures.</p> <p>Geometric measurement: Understand concepts of angle and measurement of angles.</p>		
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Mathematics Domains and Clusters for Grades 6-8:

Geometry	Ratios and Proportional Relationships	The Number System	Expressions and Equations	Functions	Statistics and Probability
Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving area, surface area and volume. Draw, construct and describe geometrical figures and describe the relationships between them. Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving angle measure, area, surface area and volume. Understand congruence and similarity using	Understand ratio concepts and use ratio reasoning to solve problems.	Apply and extend previous understanding of multiplication and division to divide fractions by fractions. Compute fluently with multi-digit numbers and find common factors and multiples. Apply and extend previous understanding of numbers to the system of rational numbers. Apply and extend previous understanding of operations with	Apply and extend previous understanding of arithmetic to algebraic expressions. Reason about and solve one-variable equations and inequalities. Work with radicals and integer exponents. Understand the connections between proportional relationships, line and linear equations. Analyze and solve linear equations and pairs of simultaneous	Define, evaluate and compare functions: Use functions to model relationships between quantities.	Develop understanding of statistical variability. Summarize and describe distributions. Investigate chance processes and develop, use and evaluate probability models. Investigate patterns of association in bivariate data.

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<p>physical models, transparencies or geometry software. Understand and apply the Pythagorean Theorem. Solve real-world and mathematical problems involving volume of cylinders, cones and spheres.</p>		<p>fractions to add, subtract, multiply and divide rational numbers. Know that there are numbers that are not rational and approximate them by rational numbers.</p>	<p>linear equations.</p>		
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Mathematics Domains and Clusters for High School:

Algebra	Geometry	Statistics and Probability
Seeing Structure in Expressions Creating Equations Reasoning with Equations and Inequalities	Congruence Similarity, Right Triangles, and Trigonometry Circles Geometric Measurement and Dimension Modeling with Geometry	Interpreting Categorical and Quantitative Data Making Inferences and Justifying Conclusions

PERFORMANCE LEVEL DESCRIPTORS FOR SCIENCE, GRADE 5

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Science Strands and Topics for Grades 3–5:

Earth and Space Science	Life Science	Physical Science
Earth's Resources Earth's Surface Cycles and Patterns in the Solar System	Behavior, Growth and Changes Earth's Living History Interconnections within Ecosystems	Matter and Forms of Energy Electricity, Heat and Matter Light, Sound and Motion

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Science Strands and Topics for Grades 6-8:

Earth and Space Science	Life Science	Physical Science
Rocks, Minerals and Soil Cycles and Patterns of Earth and the Moon Physical Earth	Cellular to Multicellular Cycles of Matter and Flow of Energy Species and Reproduction	Matter and Motion Conservation of Mass and Energy Forces and Motion

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Science Strands and Topics for High School:

Biology	Chemistry	Environmental Science	Physical Geology	Physical Science	Physics
Heredity Evolution Diversity and Interdependence of Life Cells	Structure and Properties of Matter Interactions of Matter	Earth Systems Earth's Resources Global Environmental Problems and Issues	Minerals Igneous, Metamorphic and Sedimentary Rocks Earth's History Plate Tectonics Earth's Resources Glacial Geology	Study of Matter Energy and Waves Forces and Motion The Universe	Motion Forces, Momentum and Motion Energy Waves Electricity and Magnetism

PERFORMANCE LEVEL DESCRIPTORS FOR SOCIAL STUDIES, GRADE 4

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Social Studies Strands and Topics for Grades 3–5:

History	Geography	Government	Economics
Historical Thinking and Skills Heritage Early Civilizations	Spatial Thinking and Skills Places and Regions Human Systems	Civic Participation and Skills Rules and Laws Roles and Systems of Government	Economic Decision-Making and Skills Scarcity Production and Consumption Markets Financial Literacy

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Social Studies Strands and Topics for Grades 6-8:

History	Geography	Government	Economics
Historical Thinking and Skills Early Civilizations Feudalism and Transitions First Global Age Colonization to Independence A New Nation Expansion Civil War and Reconstruction	Spatial Thinking and Skills Places and Regions Human Systems	Civic Participation and Skills Roles and Systems of Government	Economic Decision-Making and Skills Scarcity Production and Consumption Markets Financial Literacy

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Social Studies Strands and Topics for High School:

American History	American Government	Modern World History	Economics and Financial Literacy	Contemporary World Issues	World Geography
Historical Thinking and Skills Industrialization and Progressivism Foreign Affairs from Imperialism to Post World War I Prosperity, Depression and The New Deal From Isolation to World War The Cold War Social Transformations in the United States United States and the post Cold War World	Civic Involvement Civic Participation and Skills Basic Principles of the U.S. Constitution Structure and Function of the Federal Government Role of the People Ohio's State and Local Governments Public Policy Government and the Economy	Historical Thinking and Skills Age of Enlightenment Age of Revolutions Imperialism Achievements and Crises The Cold War Globalization	Economic Decision-Making and Skills Fundamentals of Economics Government and the Economy Global Economy Working and Earning Financial Responsibility and Money Management Saving and Investing Credit and Debt Risk Management	Global Connections Civic Participation and Skills Civil and Human Rights Sustainability Technology National Security and International Diplomacy The Global Economy	Spatial Thinking and Skills Environment and Society Movement Region Human Settlement Globalization