



2013 California Standards Test (CST) Results



August 28, 2013



2013 “Quick Turnaround” CST

- Overall, **OUSD showed modest loss** in the percent of students scoring Proficient or Advanced on the California Standards Test/California Modified Assessment (CST/CMA) for 2013.
 - **2.1% loss** in Proficient/Advanced on the CST/CMA English Language Arts, Grades 2-11 (from 44% to 42%)
 - **3.3% loss** in Proficient/Advanced on the CST/CMA Mathematics, Grades 2-11 (from 43% to 40%)
 - Similar losses took place at the **state level**, and among many other urban districts as districts prepare for and transition to the new Common Core State Standards.
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- **Bright Spot:** 9th and 10th grade English Language Arts
 - **Grade 9** increased Proficient/Advanced by **5 percentage points**, from 35% to 40%
 - **Grade 10** increased Proficient/Advanced by **3.6 percentage points**, from 28% to 32%
 - **Science** showed a modest loss of **1.6 percentage points** in students reaching Proficient and Advanced levels. This decline was also seen at the state level.
 - 10 elementary schools increased Proficient/Advanced levels by more than 5 percentage points (ranging from 5.5 to 17.6 percentage points).
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- It is important to view these CST results in context of our district commitment and transition to the **Common Core State Standards** in English Language Arts and Mathematics, and to the **Next Generation Science Standards**.
- The CST is based upon a **different set of content standards, scope and sequence** than what is now being emphasized and taught in our schools and classrooms.



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- With the recent approval of the eight CORE districts’ waivers of NCLB sanctions and the transition to a more holistic accountability system called the School Quality Improvement System, OUSD will be stepping up its efforts to implement powerful internal assessments that emphasize reading growth and the Common Core State Standards.
 - In the new school year, we will continue to assess student learning using Math performance tasks and evidence-based opinion and argumentative writing aligned to the Common Core.
 - Oakland students will participate in the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium’s practice tests in the Fall, and some will participate in the Smarter Balanced Field Test in the spring.
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