



## GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

Each and Every Child, Each and Every Day

# Monteith MEAP Cut Scores

Dear Monteith Elementary School Parents and Community Members,

At Monteith Elementary School we measure the success of our students in many ways. On a daily basis our teachers are carefully analyzing student data including NWEA scores, classroom tests and district level assessments to ensure each student is learning. In addition to these tests, every student in grades 3-5 takes the MEAP test each school year.

The MEAP is used by the State of Michigan to determine the progress we are making as a school as well as to provide parents specific feedback regarding how their student(s) performed. The State of Michigan has recently changed the “cut scores” for the MEAP test. This change is intended to better inform schools and parents regarding the current performance levels of students.

The following is a table that describes the old and new cut scores for tested subject areas in grades 3-5. Please note that for each subject the cut score has been raised.

### MEAP Passing Score Standards for ALL Schools

Grade	Math		Reading		Science	
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
3	34%	72%	45%	70%	Not tested	Not tested
4	29%	58%	45%	64%	Not tested	Not tested
5	39%	63%	45%	64%	48%	83%

For example, in the chart above note that the old standard for passing the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Math MEAP was a score of 34% correct. The new standard is more than double, 72% correct. Also, note that the new scores were raised to different levels for differing grades and subject areas.

The following charts provide you the specific scores for Monteith Elementary School for both this year and last year on the MEAP. Note that the scores for last year in the second column are the converted scores under the new system. The final column is the state average for each test.

### Reading MEAP scores

Grade	Monteith 2010 (Old Cut Score)	Monteith 2010 (New Cut Score)	Monteith 2011 (New Cut Score)	State Average 2011 (New Cut Score)
3	92%	76%	84%	62%
4	95%	83%	82%	68%
5	94%	78%	88%	69%

### Math MEAP scores

Grade	Monteith 2010 (Old Cut Score)	Monteith 2010 (New Cut Score)	Monteith 2011 (New Cut Score)	State Average 2011 (New Cut Score)
3	98%	59%	58%	36%
4	99%	69%	76%	40%
5	90%	65%	68%	40%

### Writing MEAP scores

Grade	Monteith 2010 (Old Cut Score)	Monteith 2010 (Same Cut Score)	Monteith 2011 (New Cut Score)	State Average 2011 (New Cut Score)
4	67%	67%	72%	45%

### Science MEAP scores

Grade	Monteith 2010 (Old Cut Score)	Monteith 2010 (New Cut Score)	Monteith 2011 (New Cut Score)	State Average 2011 (New Cut Score)
5	89%	12%	25%	15%

The scores above contain important information for the parents and staff of Monteith Elementary School including:

- Our students scored well above the state average in all tested areas
- Our scores from last year to this year remained steady or improved in most areas if you compare adjusted cut scores
- Our scores still do not meet our high expectations for our students, particularly in science and writing

The good news for Monteith Elementary School is that the excellent practices we have in place including a rigorous curriculum, innovative practices and a focus on the needs of individual students will serve us well as we continue to increase the achievement of all of our students.

You will receive a student specific report regarding how your student performed on the MEAP this year. If you have any questions please contact me at 313-432-4500.

Sincerely,

Principal Keith Howell