

	NATIONAL PERCENTILE RANK							GRADE EQUIVALENT SCORES					
	Gr 3	Gr 4	Gr 5	Gr 6	Gr 7	Gr 8	SJLS AVG	Gr 3	Gr 4	Gr 5	Gr 6	Gr 7	Gr 8
English Language Arts	66	67	70	55	79	81	69	4.4	5.6	7.1	7.1	10.8	13+
Mathematics	72	54	67	56	75	73	66	4.6	5.0	6.8	7.3	10.2	11.8
Social Studies	62	67	73	56	74	67	67	4.3	5.7	7.7	7.4	11.0	11.4
Science	67	72	66	68	77	71	70	4.5	6.2	7.1	8.5	11.7	12.2
Complete Test	66	63	67	57	75	73	66	4.4	5.5	7.0	7.4	10.7	12.3

St. John's students in Grades 3-8 took the Iowa Assessments testing program in April 2021.

NOTE: We did not take the test in April 2020 due to COVID-19.

The test results provide information about how SJLS students compare to other students across the country. The results are reported in percentile rankings and grade equivalent scores:

- **NATIONAL PERCENTILE RANK (NPR)** indicates the relative standing of a student in comparison with the students in the same grade in the norm (reference group) who took the test at a comparable time. For example, each 8th grader received his or her individual Mathematics percentile score as compared to other 8th grade students across the nation. The class average percentile was as good as or better than 73% of the students (public, private, and parochial) who took this test in April 2021, as shown above. To clarify, the average national score is a 50th percentile rank.
- **GRADE EQUIVALENT (GE)** score is a developmental growth score (shown above as a class score), used to show growth year-to-year. The average yearly growth is 10 months (per school year). High-achieving students typically gain more than 10 months in a year, and it is reasonable to expect low-achieving students to gain less than 10 months in a year. For example, each 3rd grader received his or her individual Math grade equivalent score to as compared to other 3rd grade students across the nation. The 3rd grade Math GE score of 4.6 is a score that a typical class at the end of the sixth month of fourth grade is likely to get on that same third grade math test (and we can measure individual and class growth by comparing the GE score in April 2020 or other previous years). To clarify, the relative 3rd grade GE is 3.8 for all testing areas (third grade, eighth month).

The test results are one indication of academic progress in our students and school, a single snapshot in the spring of each year. While our teachers do not spend time during the year 'teaching to a test', we realize that the testing process is important for our students to be able to show academic prowess. These test results can provide meaningful information for educational planning. After further analysis of the testing results, staff members will develop a school improvement plan through curriculum development and instruction.