# 2021 Assessment Reporting Context and Results

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- Nationally, participation rates varied widely across states
- Nearly all states applied for addenda extending spring 2020 waivers for spring 2021



### **Challenges Due to COVID-19**

### Access

- Student services
- Teachers
- Buildings

### Instruction



- Non-uniform instruction
- Reduced opportunity

### Performance

- Distance to goal
- Attribution challenges
- Reduced comparisons





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# Where Have We Been?

Summative Assessments and Local Information



### **Questions to Consider**



What do summative assessments typically tell us?



What do summative assessments tell us this year?



What are we advocating for this year?



# Summative Assessment in a Typical Year

### **Grade-Level Expectations**

- Is about proficiency on grade-level knowledge
- Is a single snapshot and does not tell the whole story
- Should be used in conjunction with district and classroom assessments to monitor progress and overall achievement

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# Summative Assessment in a Typical Year

### **Grade-Level Expectations**

#### **STUDENT**

MINUTE BY MINUTE

DAILY

WEEKLY

UNIT

**QUARTERLY** 

**ANNUALLY** 

#### **FORMATIVE:**

As checkpoints designed to inform instruction, these assessments are extremely useful for teachers and schools.

#### **INTERIM:**

As valuable indicators of progress, these assessments can occur at the end of a unit and act as checkpoints to make certain all classes are on track for success across a school or district.

#### **SUMMATIVE:**

As indicators of college and career readiness, these assessments are used for state accountability and to inform districts about changes that may be necessary to their programs.

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### **Summative Assessment This Year**

### **Grade-Level Expectations**

- Is still a sound comparison to gradelevel expectations
- Tells us the what about student performance
- Does not tell us the "why" about student performance
- Helps us understand system-level supports that are necessary to help teachers and students

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# What We're Seeing Nationally

- Different states are being impacted in different ways (varied contexts)
- Interim assessments and summative assessments are telling different stories
- Access to high-quality instruction matters



- We are recovering from more than one school year interruption
  - SY 2019-2020: The year of early closure and no assessment
  - SY 2020-2021: The year of interruptions and back to assessment



### How we are Advocating for Data Use

- Modeling data interrogation
- Providing frameworks for analysis
- Leveraging partnerships with schools and districts to promote collaboration around common challenges and promising practices



# Where Are We Today?

Summative Assessments and Results



# **Key Areas to Explore**



Are there any changes in enrollment?



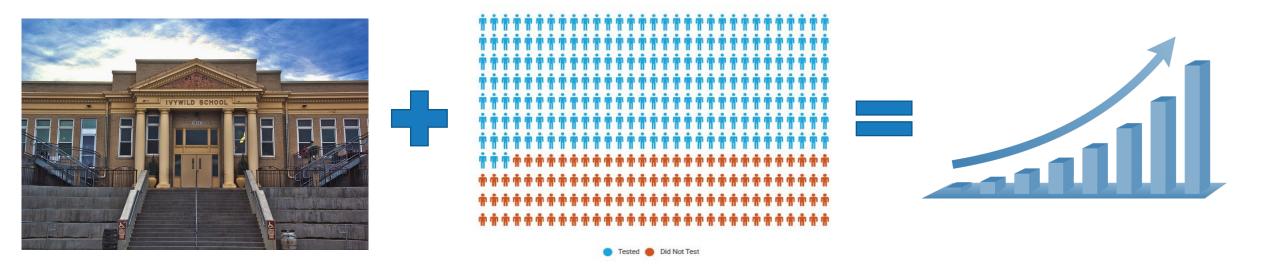
What are participation rates this year?



What does performance look like this year?



### **Enrollment, Participation, and Performance**



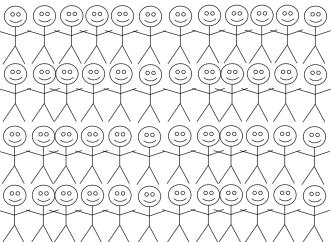
Accurate interpretation of performance requires a clear understanding of who was enrolled and how many students participated at the district, school, grade, and student group levels.



### Why Does Enrollment Matter?

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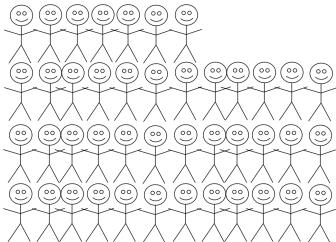




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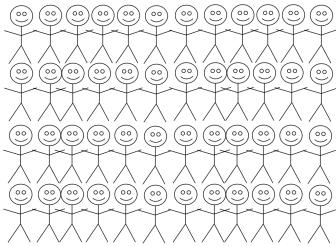
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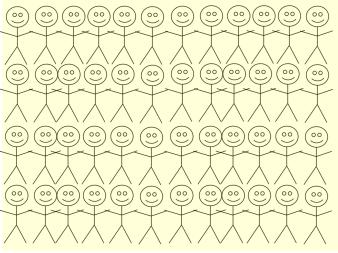






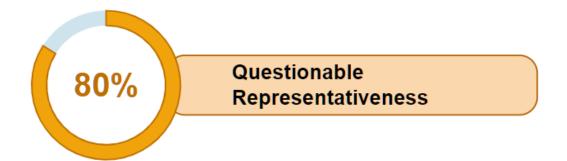




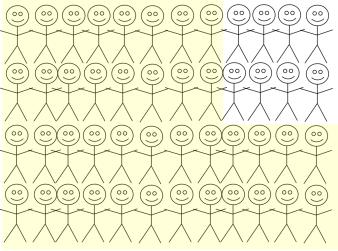




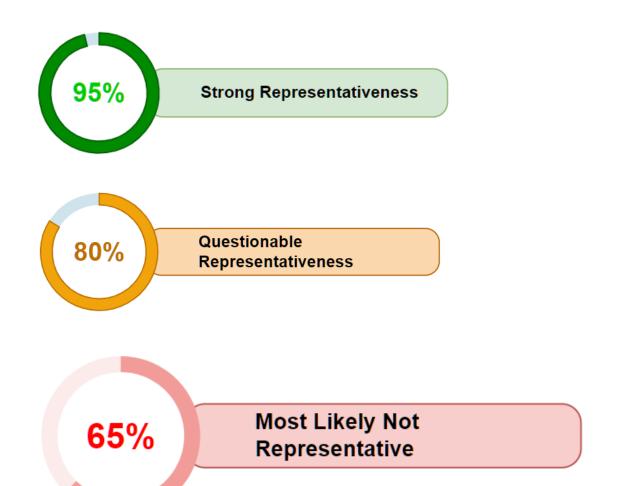




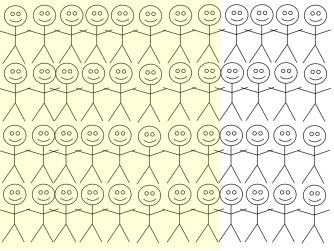














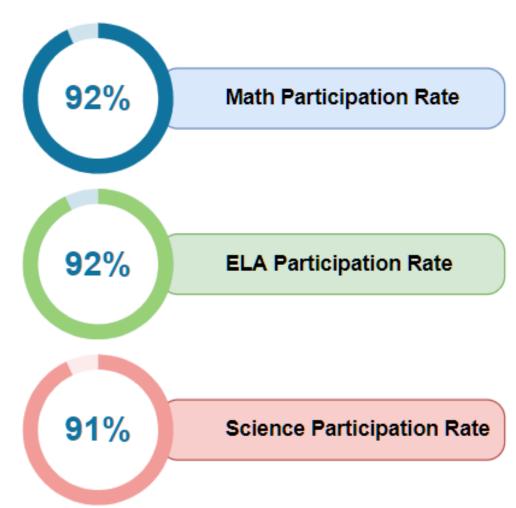
### Who Participated This Year?

- As an example, let's drill down through an examination of participation rates:
  - Statewide in math, ELA, and science
  - Math by economically disadvantaged students
  - Economically disadvantaged students by student group



## **Participation Rates Statewide**

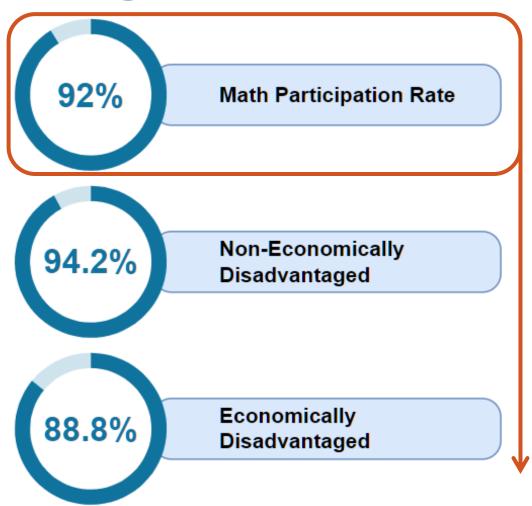
- Participation rates statewide suggest that a careful comparison to 2019 is defensible
- Statewide participation rates provide very broad brush strokes that require more detailed analyses
- We need to help districts and schools drill down deeper to uncover changes in population





# Participation Rates: Zooming In

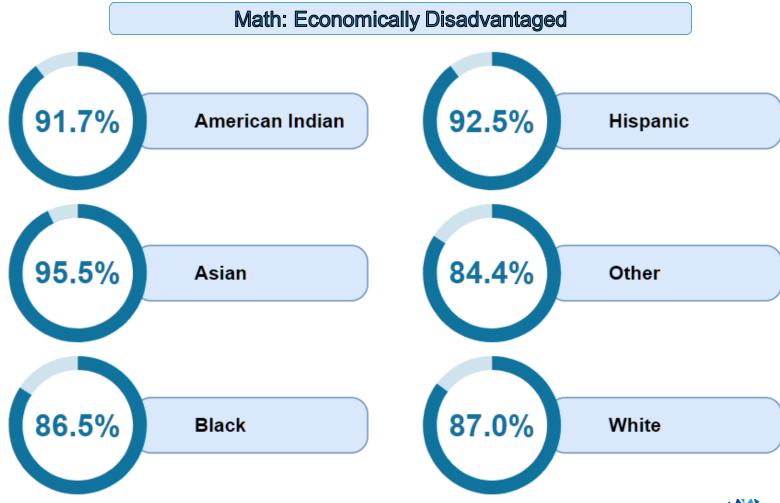
- As an example, zooming in on math highlights the need to understand student group participation rates
- Focusing only on economically disadvantaged shows participation rates of less than 90% statewide
- Historically, state participation rates are around 98-99%
- Let's look more closely at students who are Economically Disadvantaged





# Participation Rates: Zooming In Further

- Group representation is critical to interpreting performance data
- This helps us focus on the question, who did not test?
- We should always be zooming in more closely to see who tested



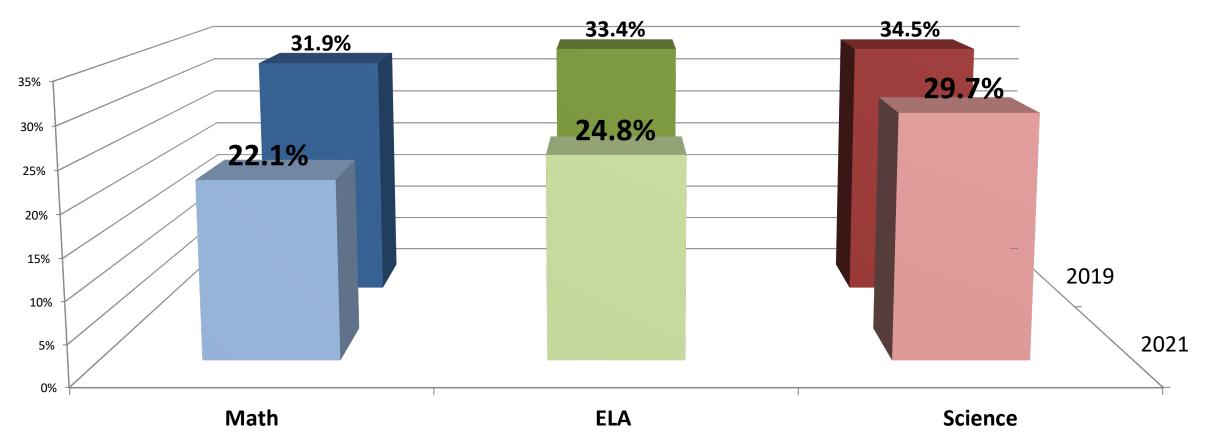


# Why is Performance Important?

- Performance (proficiency and above) represents student readiness for the next grade, course, or level
- Performance is a broad view of whether students are meeting gradelevel expectations
- Percentages reflect students who scored Proficient or Advanced

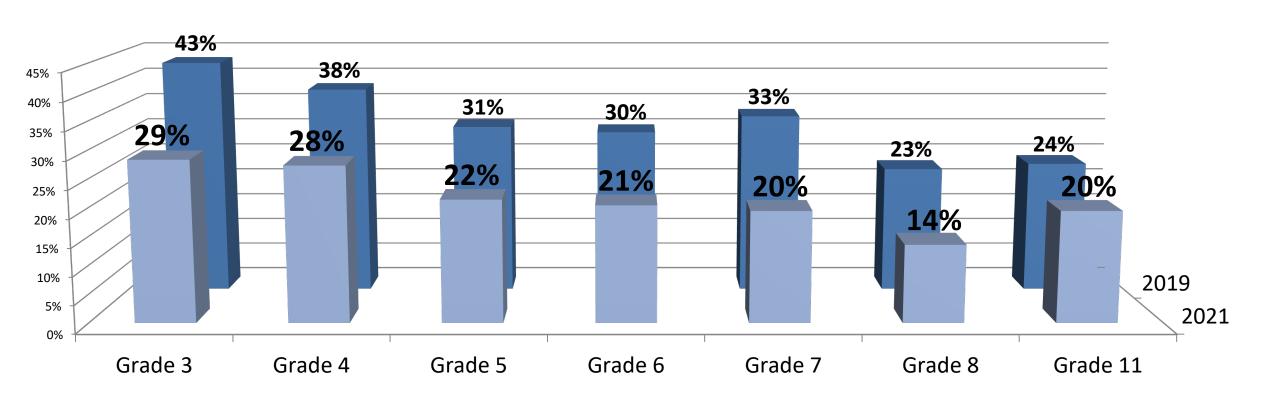


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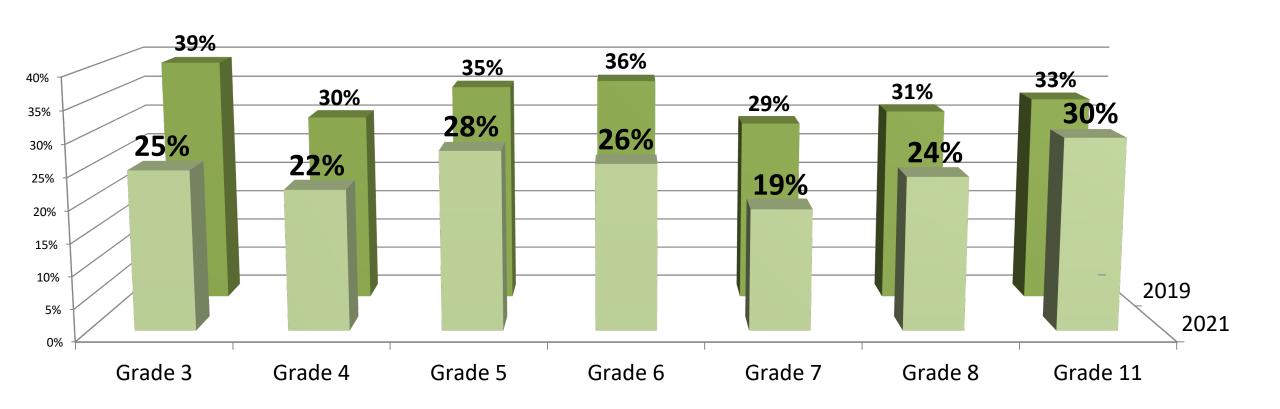


### **Performance Shifts Over Time: Math**



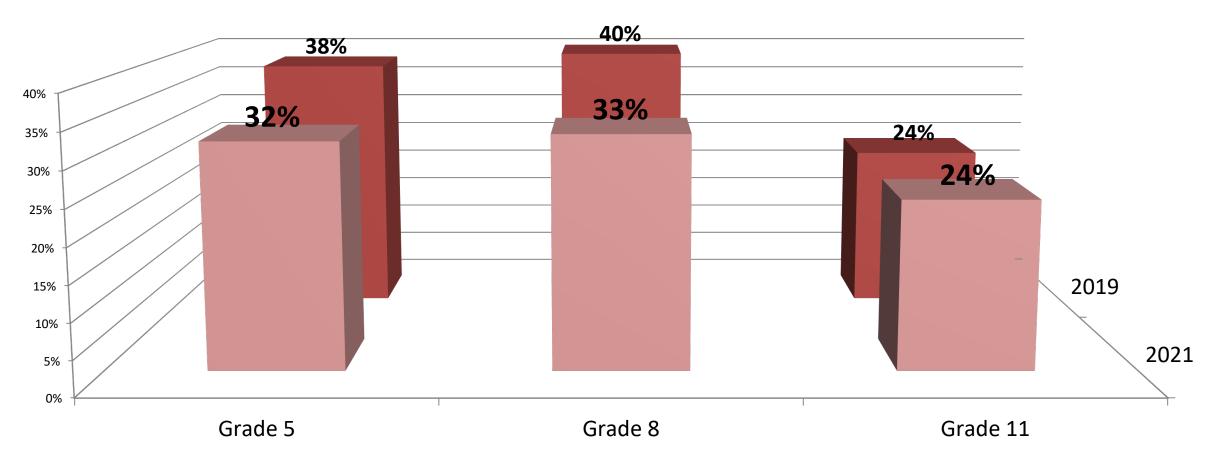


### Performance Shifts Over Time: ELA

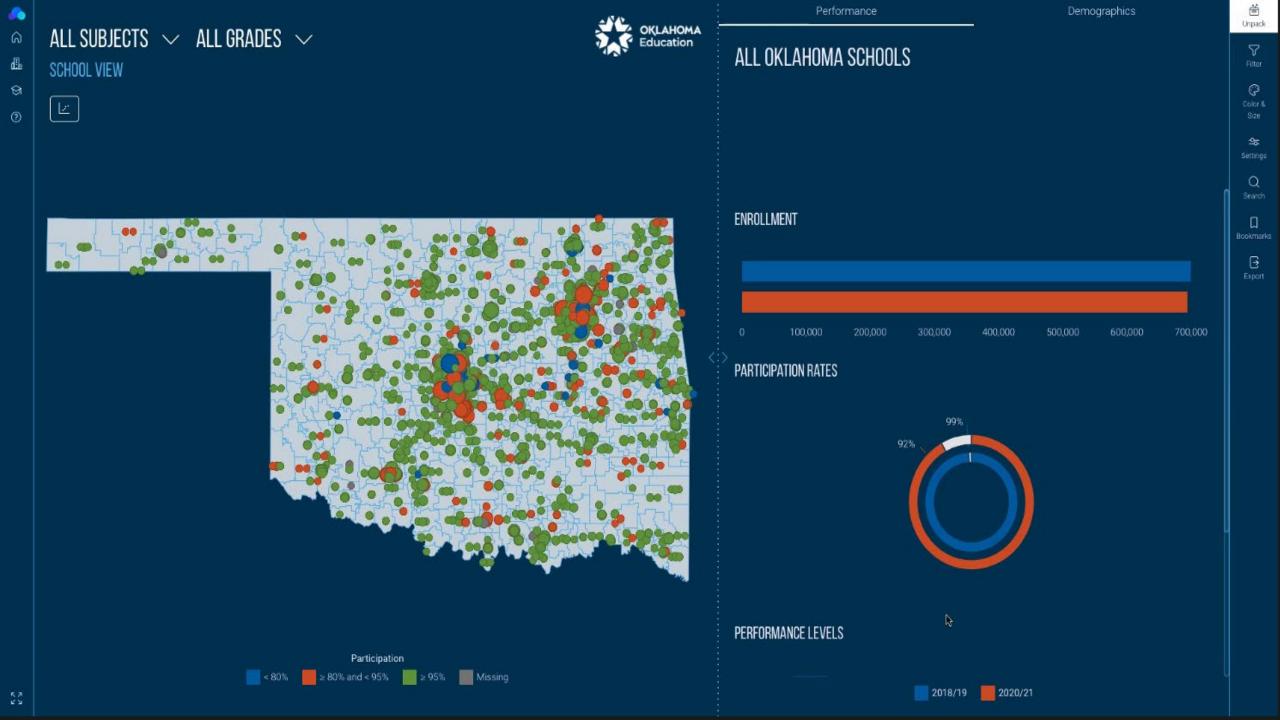


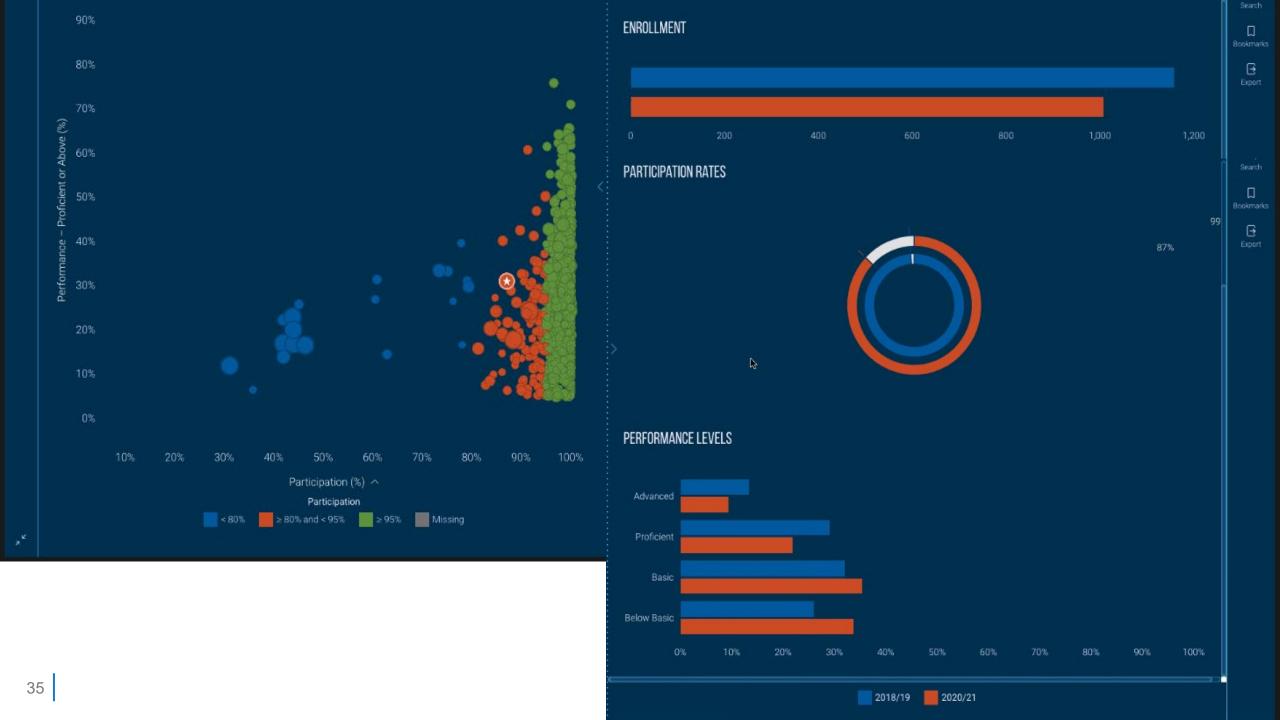


### Performance Shifts Over Time: Science









# Where Are We Going?

Resources, Modeling, and Data Explorations



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Resources and supports to explore data



Modeling data interrogation for districts



Providing data visualizations for the public



## **Questions?**

