

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Virginia Department of Education, along with your local school division, is pleased to provide a new individualized report of your child's SOL testing history called the Student Assessment Summary report. This report is part of the new VVAAS (Virginia's Visualization and Analytics Solution) system that provides information to further support students. With this report, you can learn about your child's SOL performance over time and any patterns that may be present in your child's testing history. This report will also allow you to see how your child's performance compares to other students in the Commonwealth who took the same test.

While the Student Assessment Summary report was created as an easy-to-understand document, the VDOE has prepared this parent resources webpage https://www.doe.virginia.gov/VVAAS-Parent-Resources.

Understanding your child's unique historical performance on state tests can help you identify what additional supports may be needed or where acceleration may be possible. This report, along with year-end grades and the 2023 SOL test results that you have or will soon receive from your child's school are key pieces of information when partnering with your child's teacher and school.

Every school in Virginia and the Virginia Department of Education know how important a strong relationship is with parents and hope the Student Assessment Summary report will provide a clear picture of how the 1.25 million students in the Commonwealth are performing. If your child's report shows areas of deficiency or concern, you are encouraged to reach out to your child's school to further discuss the data and work together to develop a plan of action for improvement.

The Virginia Department of Education has also established \$30 million in Learning Acceleration Grants that parents can access to assist their child. The learning grants will provide up to \$1,500 or \$3,000 based on income for student tutoring and other educational services. Funds from the K-12 Learning Acceleration Grant are then paid directly to the tutor or service provider that a family chooses. Families can pick tutors that meet their needs from a list of approved tutoring providers. There is no out of pocket expense for our families for these services. For more information visit: https://doe.virginia.gov/k12grants.

The Virginia Department of Education and your local school division are committed to providing additional reports in the future that give you transparent, actionable data to build the best partnerships possible in educating our Commonwealth's children.

Sincerely,

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