



**Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC)
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Smarter Balanced States Approve Achievement Level Recommendations

Members of the Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium have voted to approve initial achievement levels for the mathematics and English language arts/literacy (ELA) assessments that will be administered in 17 states and one territory this school year.

For more information, please visit the website: <http://www.smarterbalanced.org/news/smarter-balanced-states-approve-achievement-level-recommendations/>

Interpretation and Use of Scores and Achievement Levels

Smarter Balanced member states approved a position paper to provide broad guidelines for how the scores and achievement levels can be used and interpreted by state officials, parents, teachers and other stakeholders. Highlights of the position paper are provided below.

- Scale scores are the basic units of reporting
- Achievement levels will serve as a starting point regarding student performance in ELA and Math
- The paper provides broad guidelines on how the scores and achievement levels can be used and interpreted by state officials, parents, teachers and other stakeholders

For more information on the position paper, please visit the website:
<http://www.smarterbalanced.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2014/11/Interpretation-and-Use-of-Scores.pdf>

Smarter Balanced Assessment Updates Centra Session, conducted by AARSI Nov. 3rd (32:05 min.)

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