

Reporting System User Guide

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Introduction to the User Guide

This user guide gives instructions on using the Reporting System for accessing Alt ELPA and ELPA21 assessment data. Please note that the images in this guide may vary from what is seen on your state's version of Reporting.

The guide includes the following sections:

- **Navigate Reports**
- **Set Up Reports to Suit Your Needs**
- **Export and Print Data**

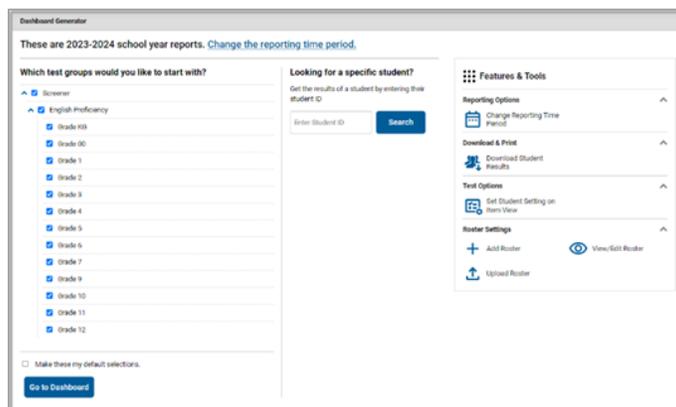
Navigate Reports

This section explains how to navigate your reports.

Use the Dashboard Generator Page

When you log in to the Reporting System, the Dashboard Generator page appears (see [Figure 1](#)). The controls on the left let you select from the groups of tests that have been processed in your state for the school year. You may choose the test type, subject within the test type, and grades within the subjects.

Figure 1. Dashboard Generator Page



To the right of the dashboard generation controls are some other useful features. The *Looking for a specific student?* section allows you to use student ID to view all that student's test results. The **Features & Tools** menu  appears on the right side of this page and in reports and offers multiple features that are described elsewhere in this guide.

If the Dashboard Generator shows a message saying there are no data, that means no test opportunities are available for this school year.

1. *Optional:* To change the test groups listed in the Dashboard Generator, change the reporting time period.
2. Select the tests you want to view, expanding the test groups as needed.
3. *Optional:* To save your selections, mark the checkbox **Make these my default selections**. These selections will be set in the Dashboard Generator whenever you log in. You can change the defaults at any time.
4. Click **Go to Dashboard**. The dashboard appears, displaying any data available for your selections.

Use the Dashboard to View Aggregate Test Results

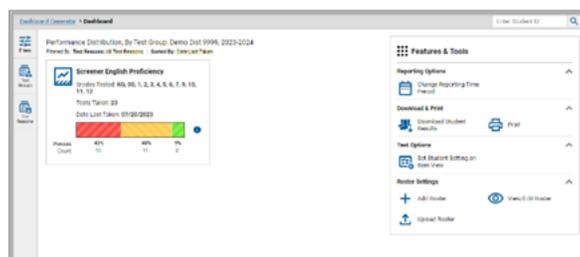
All users except state-level users can view the standard dashboard ([Figure 2](#)). It displays aggregation cards representing test groups.

How can I use the dashboard to view my overall test results?

Each aggregation card displays the test group name, a list of grades, the number of students who took tests in the group, the date of the test last taken, and a performance distribution bar displaying both percentages and student counts below it. You may sometimes see the message “Data cannot be aggregated together for this group of tests” instead of the performance distribution bar for tests that do not report performance distribution, or that use different sets of performance levels. Test group cards are sorted by date last taken.

Clicking the  button beside the performance distribution bar displays a legend with more information about performance levels.

Figure 2. Teacher View: Dashboard



If a message appears saying “There are no assessments to display,” you may not have any students who have taken tests in your selected test groups in the selected time period. You can change the reporting time period. If you are a teacher, you may also be able to view more students’ data by managing your classes (rosters).

To change the test groups and test reasons that appear, use the **Filters** panel on the left. You can also backtrack to the Dashboard Generator using the link in the path at the upper-left corner and change your test group selections there.

View More Detailed Data on a Particular Test Group

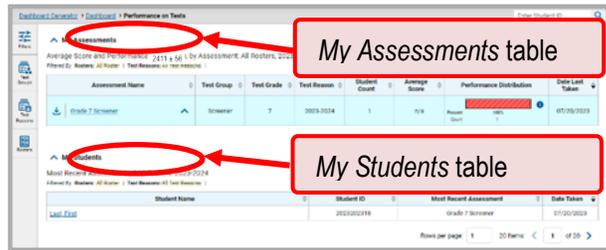
To view more detailed data for a particular test group, click the name of the group. The Performance on Tests report appears. It is filtered to display only the test group you selected.

How can I use the dashboard to view more detailed data on a particular test?

In the Performance on Tests report, teachers see two tables, as in [Figure 3](#).

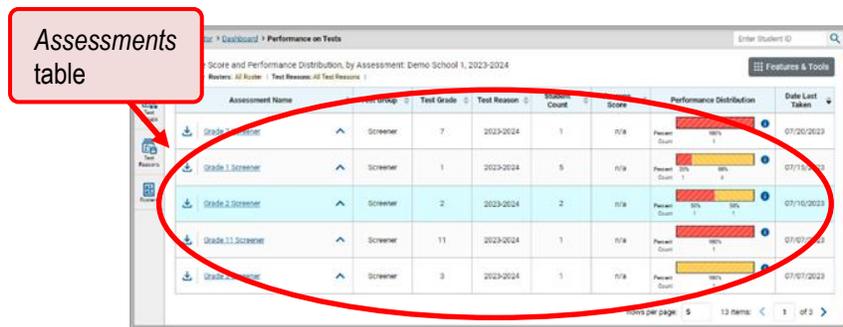
- The My Assessments table, listing all the assessments in the filtered test group or groups.
- The My Students table, listing all your students who took the assessments.

Figure 3. Teacher View: Performance on Tests Report



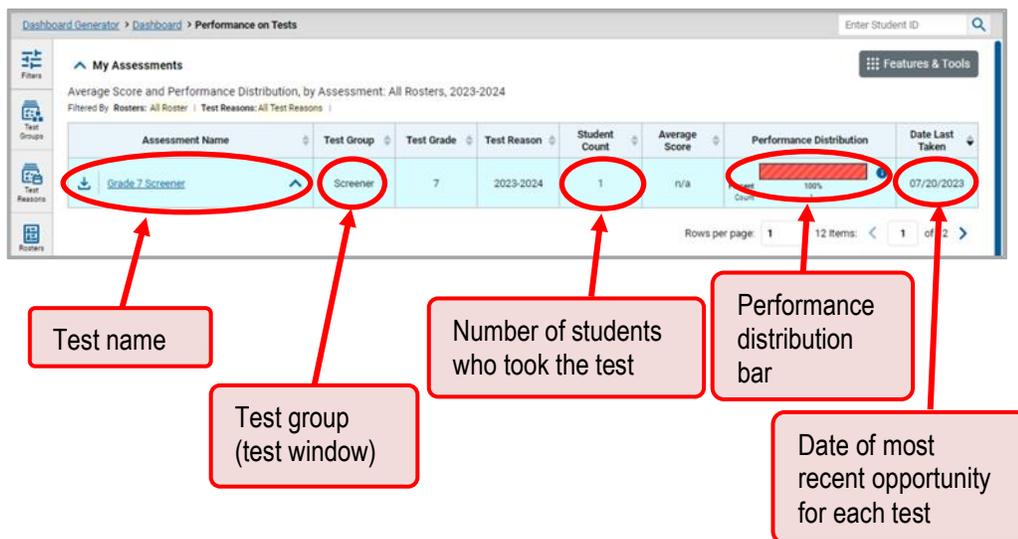
District- and school-level users see just one table, as in [Figure 4](#), that lists all your assessments.

Figure 4. School-Level User View: Performance on Tests Report



For each test, the *Assessments* table shows the test name, test group, number of students who took the test, performance distribution, and date the test was last taken. You will see similar data in other reports in the Reporting System.

Figure 5. Assessments Table



Teachers and School-Level Users: View Student-Level Data for All Your Classes (Rosters)

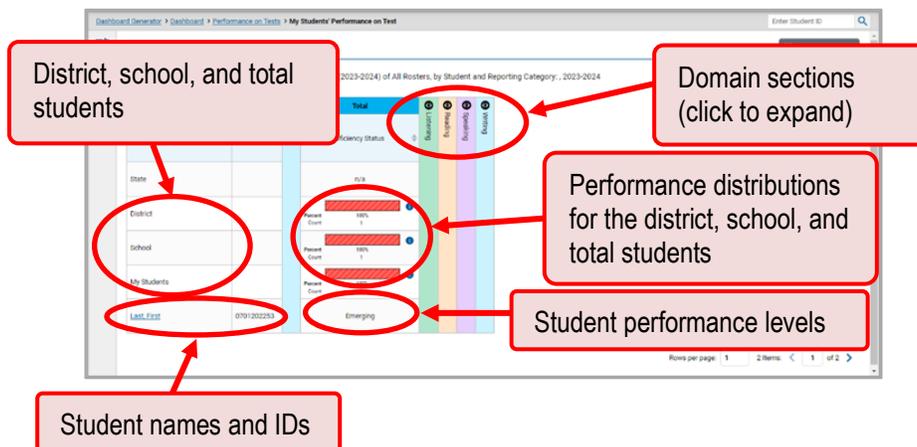
You can view all of your students across classes (rosters).

How can I view a list of all my students and their performance on a particular test?

The **Performance by Student** tab displays test results for each of your students across classes (rosters). In order to see the results for all your students, follow the instructions below.

1. Starting from the dashboard that appears when you log in, click a test name in the table located at the top of the page.
2. Click a test name in the assessments table at the top of the page.
3. In the report that appears, select the **Performance by Student** tab (Figure 6). You will see results for all your students. The first few rows also show aggregate performance data for your state, district, school, and/or total students.

Figure 6. My Students' Performance on Test Report: Performance by Student Tab



You can view your students' performance in each area of the test by clicking the domain section bars to expand them.

View Test Results for Classes (Rosters) on a Particular Test

You can view a list of classes (rosters) that took a particular test, and you can also view the test results for a particular class.

How can I access test results for all my classes (rosters)?

The **Performance by Roster** tab displays test results for each class (roster). To view this tab, follow the instructions for your user role below.

Teachers and school-level users:

1. Generate a dashboard and click a test group name.

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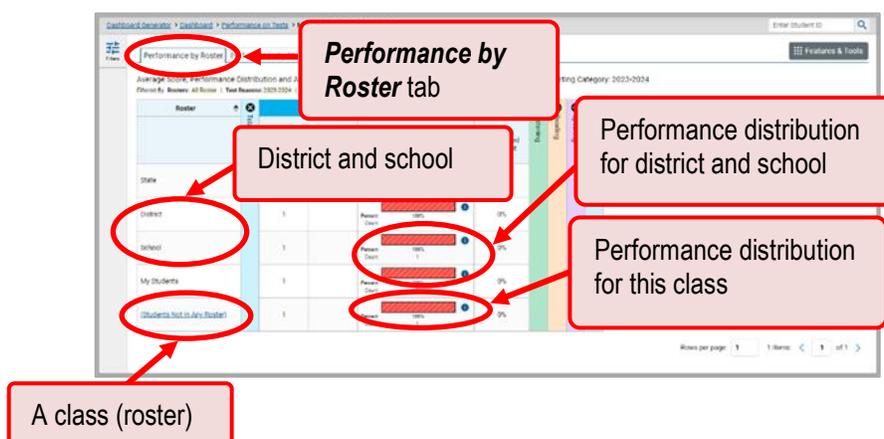
2. Click a test name in the table of assessments. Either the My Students' Performance on Test or the School Performance on Test report appears, depending on your role. It is open to the **Performance by Roster** tab.

District-level users can view all classes (rosters) in a school. To do so, follow these instructions:

1. Generate a dashboard and click a test group name.
2. Click a test name in the table of assessments. A page of district test results appears, listing schools within the district.
3. Click a school name. The School Performance on Test report appears, open to the **Performance by Roster** tab.

The report shown here ([Figure 7](#)) displays a list of your classes (rosters) and each class's performance. The first few rows also show aggregate performance data for your state, district, school, and total students.

Figure 7. My Students' Performance on Test Report: Performance by Roster Tab



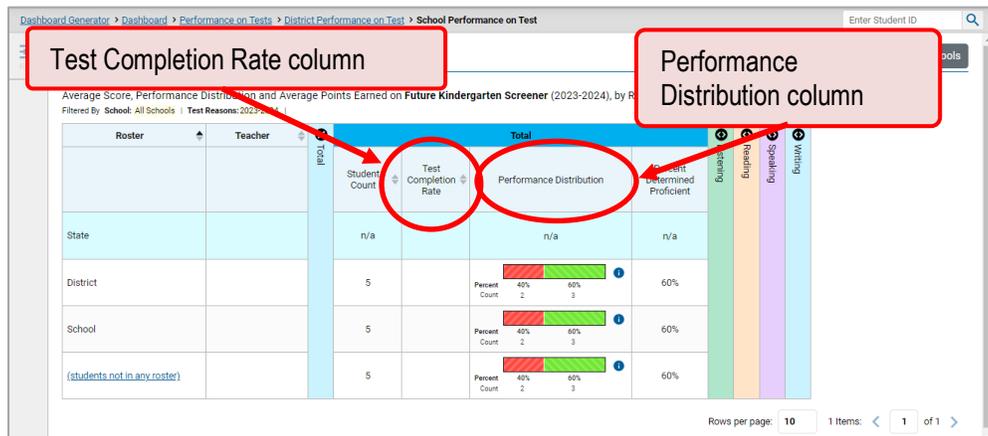
How can I see which classes (rosters) performed best on this assessment?

To see which classes performed best on the test, you can look at the Performance Distribution column for a summary of performance.

How can I see which classes (rosters) had the highest test completion rates?

To see which classes had the highest test completion rate, click the Test Completion Rate column header to sort the column (see [Figure 8](#)).

Figure 8. School Performance on Test Report: Performance by Roster Tab



How can I see how well classes (rosters) performed in each area on the test?

For tests with domain sections, you can compare the performance of your students in each area of the test. Click each vertical domain bar to expand or collapse it. In this example (Figure 9), you can view a performance distribution bar for each class (roster) under the Listening domain.

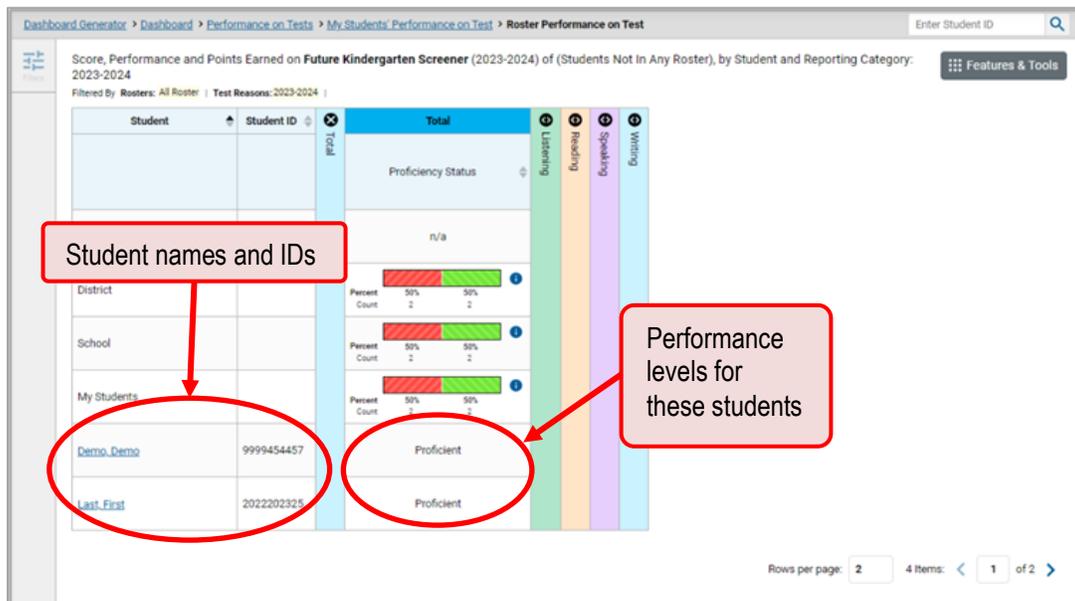
Figure 9. School Performance on Test Report: Performance by Roster Tab with Expanded Domain Section



How can I access test results for an individual class (roster)?

The prior section explained how to access test results for all your classes (rosters). To view results for one specific class, click the name of a class that appears in the first column of the report. The class results listed by student appear (Figure 10).

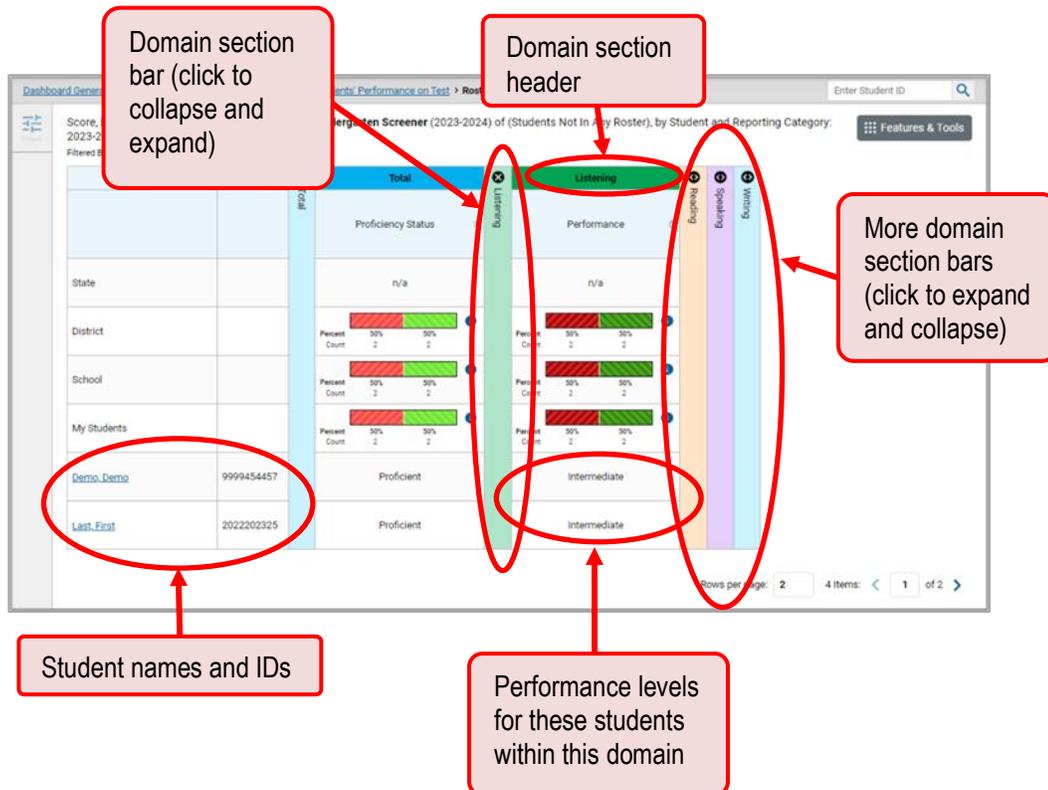
Figure 10. Teacher View: Roster Performance on Test Report



How can I see how well students in my class (roster) performed in each domain on the test?

You can compare the performance of your students in each area of the test using the domain sections, as shown in [Figure 11](#). Click the vertical section bar to expand each section.

Figure 11. School-Level User View: Roster Performance on Test Report with Expanded Domain Section



School- and District-Level Users: View Test Results for a School on a Particular Test

You can view test results for all the students in a school on a particular test.

How can I access test results for a school?

School-level users:

1. Generate a dashboard and click a test group name.
2. Click a test name in the table of assessments. The School Performance on Test report appears. The Performance by Roster tab is open by default.

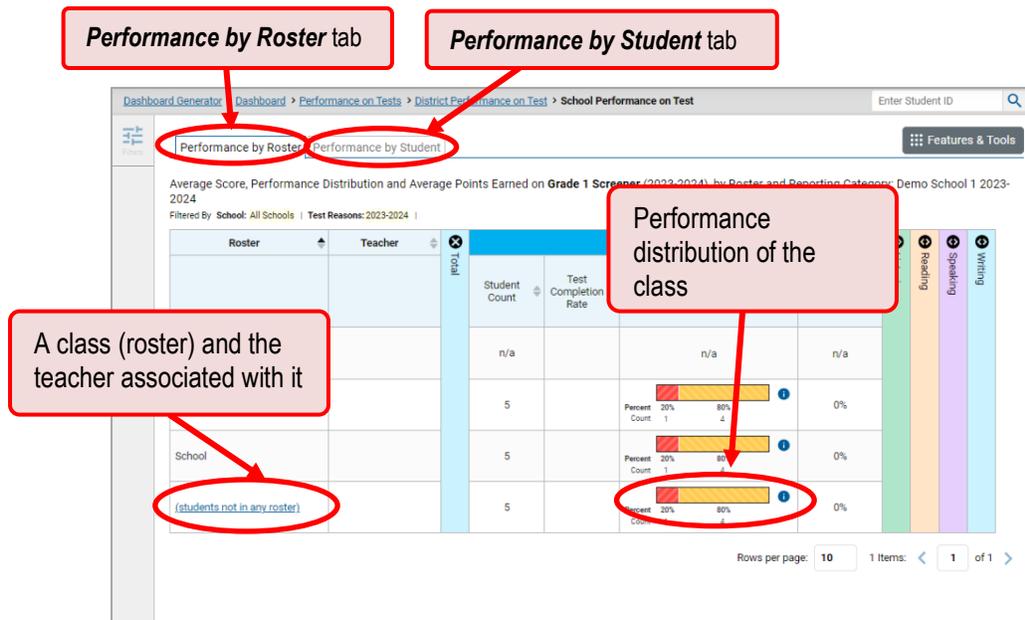
District-level users:

1. Generate a dashboard and click a test group name.
2. Click a test name in the table of assessments. A table listing test results by school appears.
3. Click the name of the school for which you would like to see results. The test results for the school appear.

Note that district-level users can also access the test results from a school directly from the Performance on Tests report, by first filtering by school.

The **Performance by Roster** tab is open by default, as in [Figure 12](#).

Figure 12. School Performance on Test Report: Performance by Roster Tab



How can I see which classes (rosters) performed best on this assessment?

In the **Performance by Roster** tab, look at the Performance Distribution column. If certain classes (rosters) performed consistently well, you could use them as a model for the classes with lower performance.

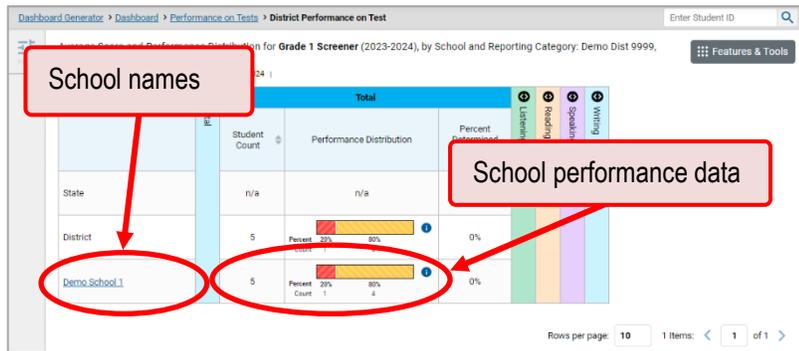
District-Level Users: View Test Results for a District on a Particular Test

You can view test results for a district on a particular test.

How can I access test results for a district?

1. Generate a dashboard and click a test group name.
2. Click a test name in the table of assessments. The District Performance on Test report appears, listing schools in the district.

Figure 13. District Performance on Test Report



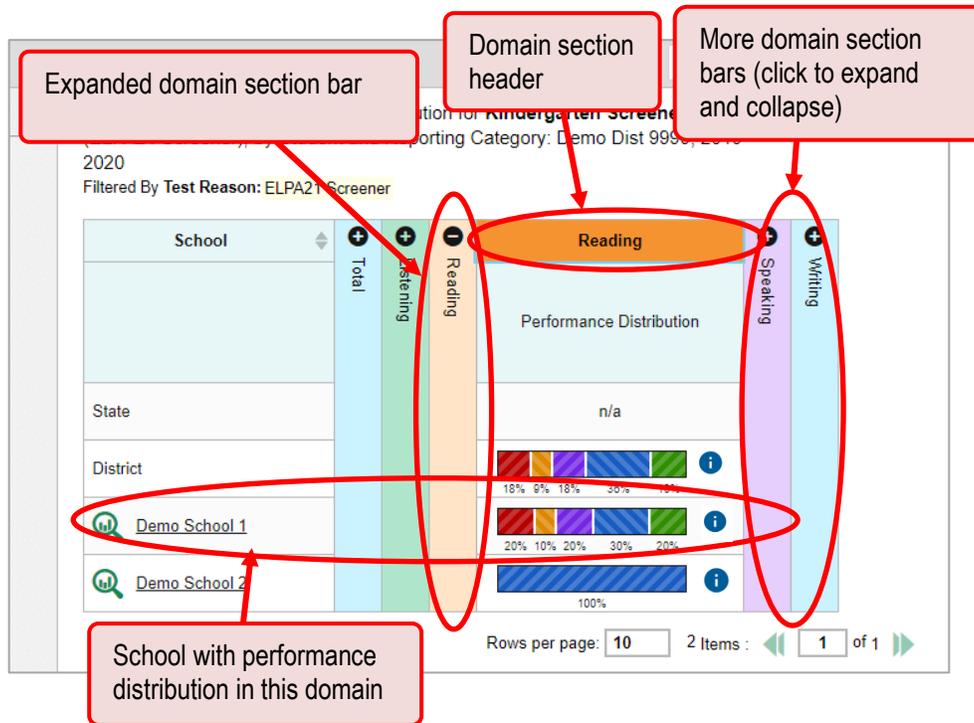
How can I see which schools in the district performed best on this assessment?

To see which classes performed best on the test, you can look at the Performance Distribution column for a summary of performance.

How can I see how well schools in the district performed in each area on the test?

Click the vertical section bars to expand the domain sections.

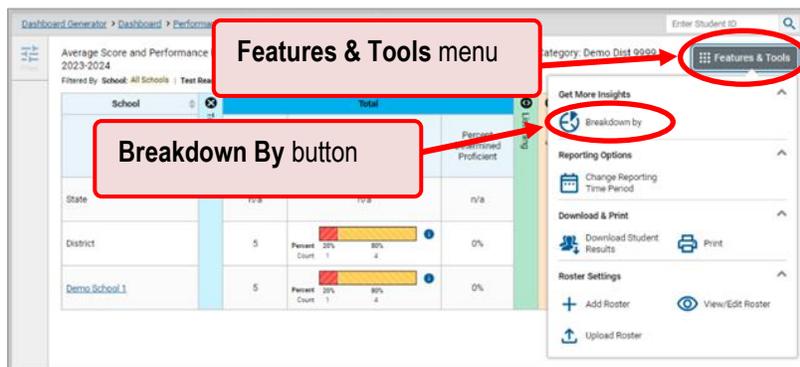
Figure 14. District Performance on Test Report with Expanded Domain Section



View Test Results Broken Down by Demographic Sub-Groups

You can use the **Breakdown By** button  in the **Features & Tools** menu  to compare performance between different demographic sub-groups. This button is available for most aggregate test results.

Figure 15. Performance on Tests – Breakdown By Button

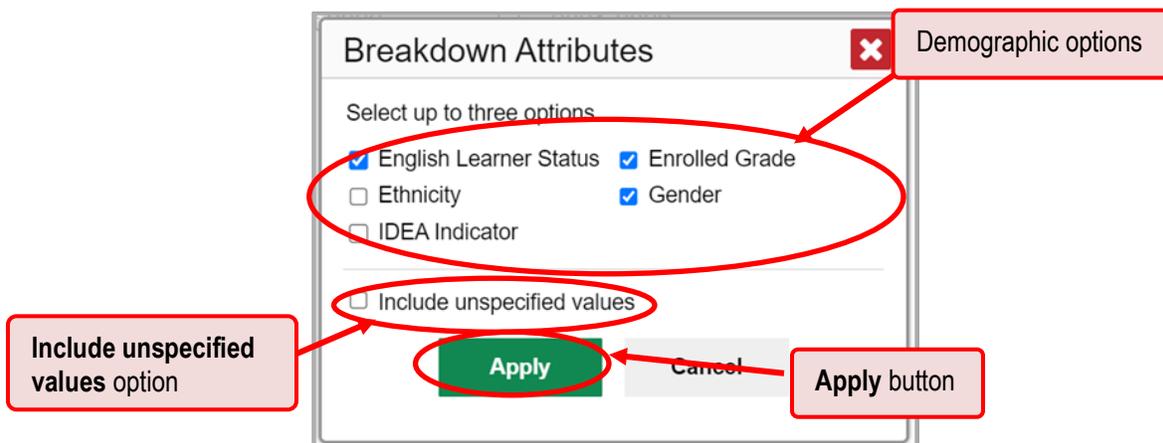


How can I view test results broken down by demographic sub-groups?

To view test results broken down by demographic sub-groups, do the following:

1. Click **Breakdown By**  in the **Features & Tools** menu  (see [Figure 15](#)). The **Breakdown Attributes** window opens (see [Figure 16](#)).

Figure 16. My Students' Performance on Test Report: Breakdown Attributes Window



2. Select up to three student demographic categories. Please note that the demographic categories in the **Breakdown Attributes** window may vary depending on state settings.

There is also an **Include unspecified values** checkbox, explained below:

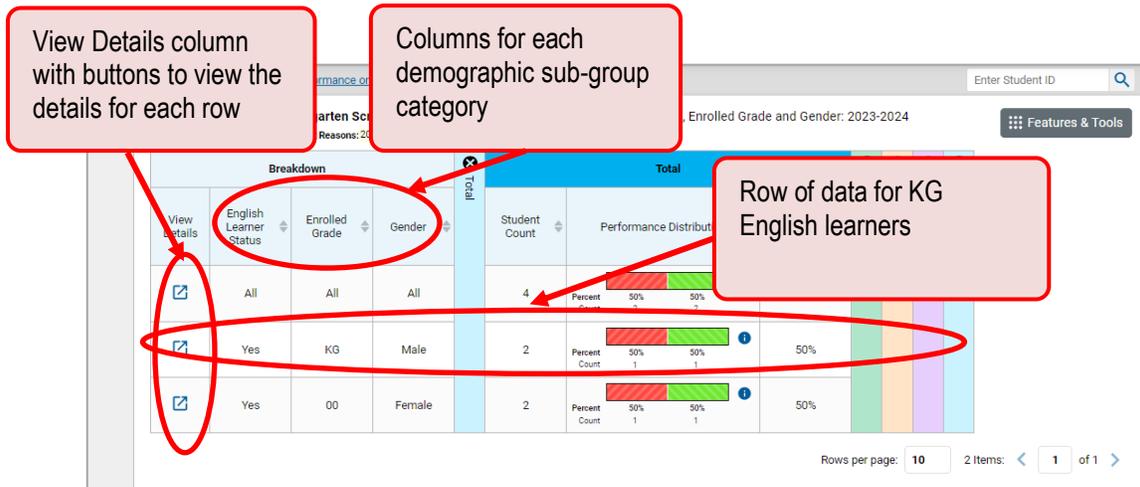
Some students who complete tests do not have specific demographic information in the Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE). These students are considered to have unspecified values.

To include data for these students, mark the checkbox.

3. Click **Apply**.

Data for each sub-group selected are displayed in the generated report (see [Figure 17](#)).

Figure 17. Demographic Breakdown of a My Students' Performance on Test Report

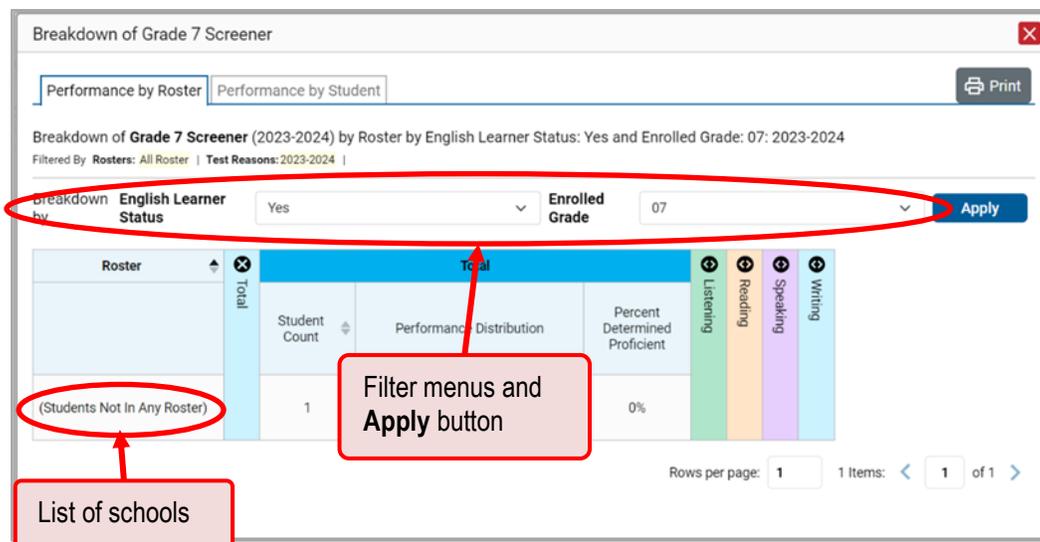


How can I view test results for a particular demographic sub-group or combination?

When viewing test results broken down by sub-groups, go to the row for the demographic combination you want to view and click the view button  in the View Details column on the left (see [Figure 17](#)).

A window opens, displaying detailed results for that combination. The report table is now laid out the same way as the original report, before you viewed it broken down by sub-groups. See [Figure 18](#).

Figure 18. Demographic Combination Breakdown Window



At the top of the report table are filter menus for each demographic category you chose. To change the demographic combination displayed, use the filters to select the demographic sub-groups you want to see and click **Apply**. The new combination is displayed.

You can use this window to get an in-depth look at specific groups of students. For example, you may want to determine which schools are most successful at teaching girls in the first grade.

View Test Results for Individual Students

You can find out how well an individual student understands the material covered on a specific completed assessment. You can also view a report for all the assessments a student has taken. And you can generate and export both Individual Student Reports (ISRs) and Student Data Files (SDFs).

How can I access test results for an individual student on a particular test?

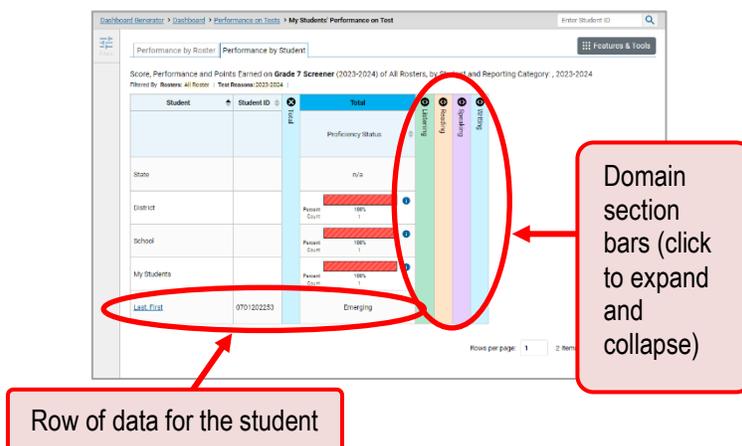
Teachers and school-level users:

1. Generate a dashboard and click a test group name.
2. Click a test name in the table of assessments. A page of test results appears.
3. Select the **Performance by Student** tab.
4. Click the name of an individual student in the report. The Student Performance on Test report appears ([Figure 19](#)).

District-level users:

1. Generate a dashboard and click a test group name.
2. Go to the dashboard and click a test name in the table of assessments. A page of district test results appears (the District Performance on Test report).
3. Click a school name. The **School Performance on Test** report appears.
4. Follow the same steps as teachers and school-level users, starting with step 3.

Figure 19. Teacher View: Student Performance on Test Report



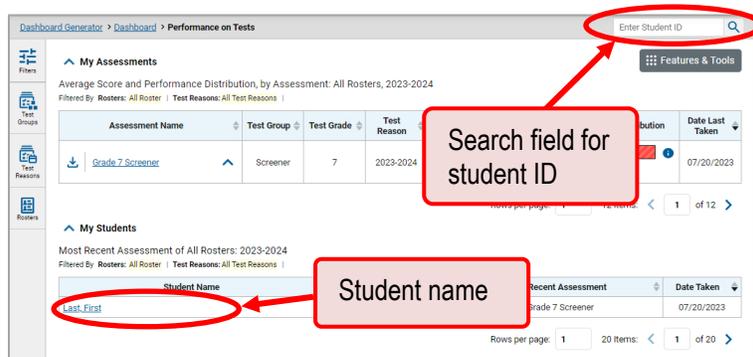
You can view the student's performance in each area of the test using the domain sections, which you can click to expand.

How can I view a report for all the assessments a student has completed over time?

The **Student Portfolio Report** allows you to view all the assessments an individual student has completed over time.

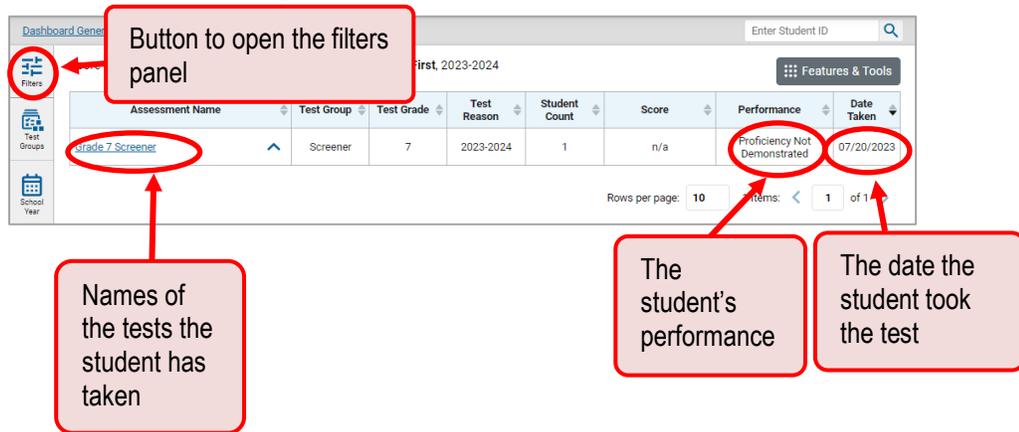
To access this report, enter the student's SSID in the search field in the upper-right corner and click  (see [Figure 20](#)). Users must enter a complete SSID. (When you are viewing the Dashboard Generator and data are available, the same field appears to the right of the dashboard generation controls.) The **Student Portfolio Report** appears (see [Figure 21](#)).

Figure 20. Teacher View: Dashboard



Teachers can also access this report from the dashboard by going to the *My Students* table below the main assessments table and clicking a student's name.

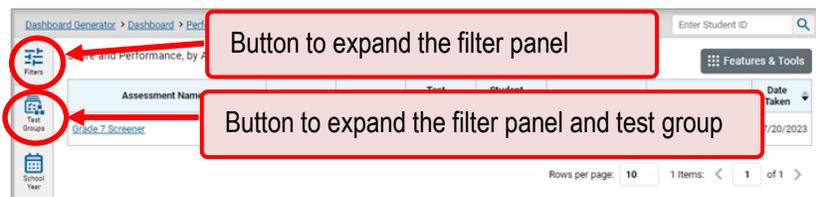
Figure 21. Student Portfolio Report



How can I use the Student Portfolio Report to view only the tests I'm interested in?

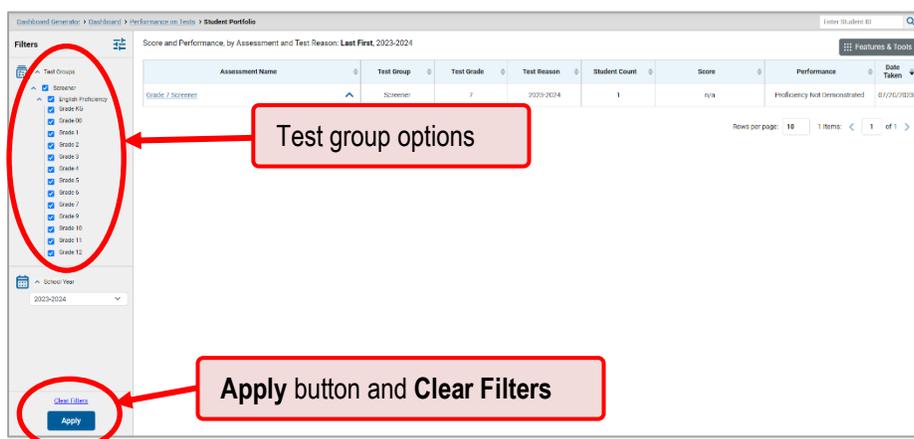
You can temporarily filter which tests you want to see in the Student Portfolio Report.

Figure 22. Student Portfolio Report



1. On the left side of the **Student Portfolio Report**, click either the **Filters** button  or the **Test Groups** button . The filter panel expands.

Figure 23. Student Portfolio Report with Expanded Filter Panel



2. Mark as many selections as you like in the *Test Group* section of the filters panel. Tests are organized by test type, subject, and grade.
3. Click **Apply**. The dashboard updates to show only data for those tests.
4. *Optional:* To revert all filters to their defaults, open the filters panel again and click **Clear Filters**. Click **Apply**. Filters also revert when you log out, switch user roles, or switch systems.

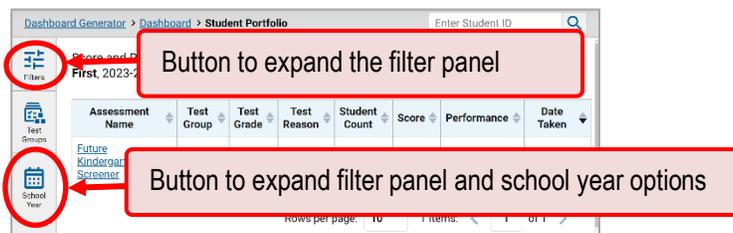
How can I view a student's performance on tests taken in a previous school year or years?

If there are multiple years of data for a student, the Student Portfolio Report can look back at previous years. This gives you a high-level look at the student's progress. Student Portfolio Reports can show student performance from a time when the students were not yet associated with you. For example, if you are a fourth-grade teacher, you can use these reports to view a current student's performance on their Grade Band 2-3 test.

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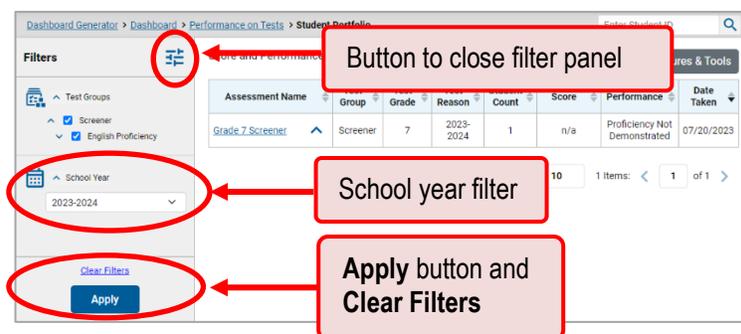
1. On the left side of the page, click either the **Filters** button  or the **School Year** button . The filter panel expands.

Figure 24. Student Portfolio Report



2. Under **School Year**, select a test administration period.

Figure 25. Student Portfolio Report with Expanded Filter Panel



3. Click **Apply**.

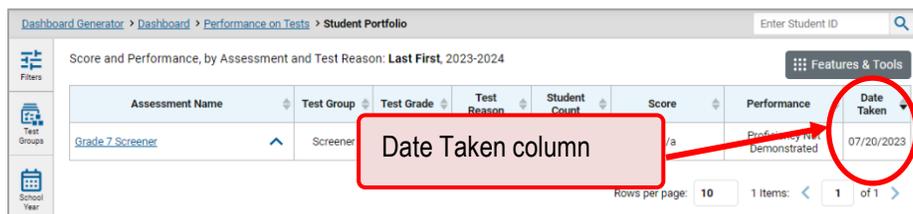
To switch back to the current year:

1. Open the filter panel again.
2. Click **Clear Filters**.
3. Click **Apply**.

How can I see how a student performed on their most recent assessments?

In the Student Portfolio Report, click the Date Taken column header to sort by date. If you know what the performance levels on the various tests mean, you can even get a rough idea of how the student is performing over time.

Figure 26. Student Portfolio Report Sorted by Date Taken Column



Generate and Export Individual Student Reports (ISRs)

This section discusses Individual Student Reports (ISRs), each of which provides easy-to-read performance data on a particular test opportunity (an instance of a student taking a test). ISRs are useful for sharing performance information with students and their parents, and may be generated in any language your state has made available.

What does an Individual Student Report (ISR) look like and how can I read it?

An ISR is a PDF that displays data on a test opportunity. It consists of a single page. ISR layouts vary according to the type of test. A sample ELPA21 Screener ISR is shown below ([Figure 27](#)).

- At the top of each ISR are the student’s name and SSID, the name of the test, district, school, and any other relevant information.
- Below that is a summary of the student’s performance.
- Each ISR includes a comparison table showing the average performance of the state, district, and/or school.
- ISRs include a table detailing the student’s performance in each domain.

Figure 27. Sample Individual Student Report (ISR): ELPA21 Screener

The image shows a sample Individual Student Report (ISR) for ELPA21 Screener. The report is titled "Reporting" and "Individual Student Report". It includes the following information:

- Student's name, SSID, and other information:** Last, First; Student ID: 7700077710 | Student DOB: 10/10/2000 | Enrolled Grade: 9; Date Taken: 7/6/2021
- Name of the test:** Grade 9 Screener 2021-2022
- Student's district and school:** Demo district 1, Demo School 1
- Proficiency Status:** Proficiency Status: Progressing
- Proficiency Determination Definitions:**
 - Proficient** - Students are Proficient when they demonstrate a level of English language skill necessary to independently produce, interpret, collaborate on, and succeed in grade-level academic tasks in English. This is indicated on the ELPA21 Screener by scoring Level 4 or Level 5 in all domains. Proficient students are not identified as English Learners and do not receive English language development services.
 - Progressing** - Students are Progressing when, with support, they are approaching a level of English language skill necessary to produce, interpret, and collaborate on grade-level academic tasks in English. This is indicated on the ELPA21 Screener by scoring at least one domain score above Level 2 and at least one domain score below Level 4. These students are eligible for English language development services.
 - Emerging** - Students are Emerging when they have not yet reached a level of English language skill necessary to produce, interpret, and collaborate on grade-level content-related academic tasks in English. This is indicated on the ELPA21 Screener by scoring a Level 1 or Level 2 in listening, reading, writing, and speaking. These students are eligible for English language development services.
 - Proficiency Not Demonstrated** - Students receive a status of Proficiency Not Demonstrated when testing is stopped due to the student not participating. State policy determines whether or not students are eligible for English language development services.
- Student's performance in each domain and performance legend:**

Domain	Performance	Performance Description
Listening	3	When listening, the student at Level 3 is working on: determining the meaning of general academic and content-specific words, phrases and frequently occurring expressions; demonstrating comprehension of oral presentations and exchanges of information about literary and informational texts by determining the central idea or theme and supporting reasons, restating key ideas and information, and explaining how the theme is developed by specific details; adding information and evidence to oral exchanges.
Reading	3	When reading grade-appropriate text, the student at Level 3 is working on: determining the meaning of general academic and content-specific words and phrases in literary and informational text; identifying and paraphrasing main concepts and information; comprehending exchanges of written information or data; explaining the reasons and textual evidence to support a claim; gathering information from multiple sources.
Speaking	2	When speaking, the student at Level 2 is working on: producing simple and compound sentences to present information and ideas; participating in short conversations about familiar topics and texts; recounting a short sequence of events; constructing a spoken claim supported by opinions, reasoning or evidence, introducing a topic, providing one or two facts about the topic, and a concluding statement.
Writing	3	When writing, the student at Level 3 is working on: using multiple complete sentences with organization and some details to develop an informational topic; constructing written claims to communicate clear, coherent, context-specific messages using a variety of language structures; participating in written exchanges, building on the ideas of others, restating some of the key ideas expressed, and expressing own ideas; writing relevant questions that demonstrate understanding.

How can I generate and export Individual Student Reports (ISRs)?

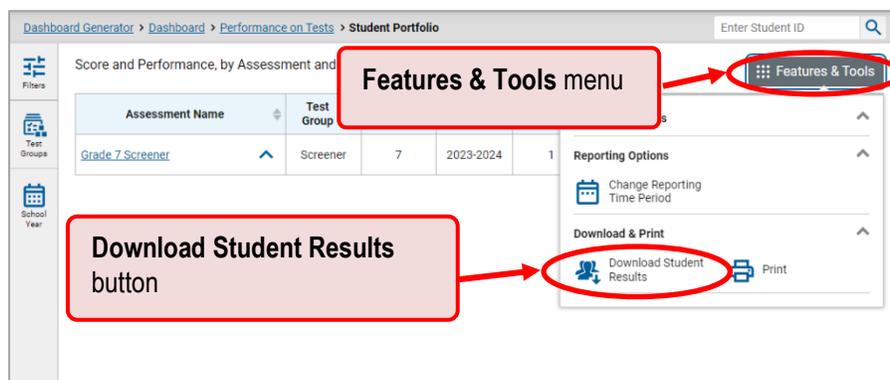
To generate and export an Individual Student Report (ISR) for a test opportunity (an instance of a student taking a test), use the **Student Results Generator**. Each ISR shows a student's overall performance on their test plus a breakdown of performance by domain. You can select any combination of test reasons, assessments, and students in order to generate either a single ISR or multiple ISRs at once.

You may want to use the Student Results Generator to simultaneously print large numbers of ISRs.

ISRs can be generated from almost any Reporting page.

1. Click the **Download Student Results** button  in the **Features & Tools** menu  ([Figure 28](#)).

Figure 28. Features & Tools Menu – Download Student Results Button

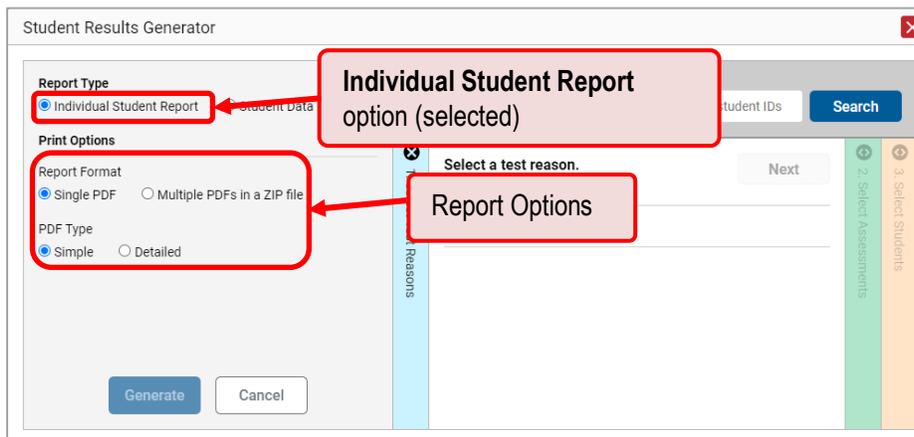


The **Student Results Generator** window opens ([Figure 29](#)).

Depending on what page you open the **Student Results Generator** from, the options available to you may be prepopulated or preselected. (The filters applied to the page have no effect, however.) You can change the selections.

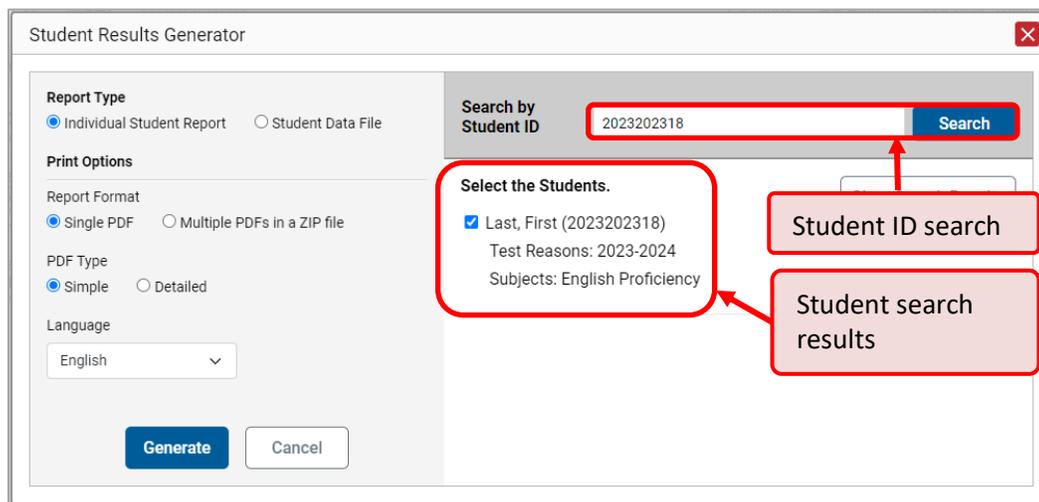
2. In the panel on the left, select **Individual Student Report**. Always do this before you make other selections. Switching between the **Individual Student Report** and **Student Data File** options may revert some selections.

Figure 29. Student Results Generator as Opened from Dashboard with Default Selections



3. If you're generating multiple ISRs, then under Report Format, choose either a single PDF for all the ISRs, or a ZIP file containing a separate PDF for each one. If you select **Single PDF**, the Student Results Generator may nonetheless create a ZIP file of multiple PDFs depending on the number of schools, grades, and opportunities included.
4. Under PDF Type, select either a simple or detailed PDF.
5. If the test opportunity options are not preselected, or if you want to change them, there are two ways to make selections:
 - a. Search for students. In the search field at the upper-right corner, enter up to 5 comma-separated student IDs and click **Search**. The resulting list of students and all the tests they have taken will replace any previous selections, as in [Figure 30](#).
 - b. To deselect and clear results, click **Clear Search Results**.

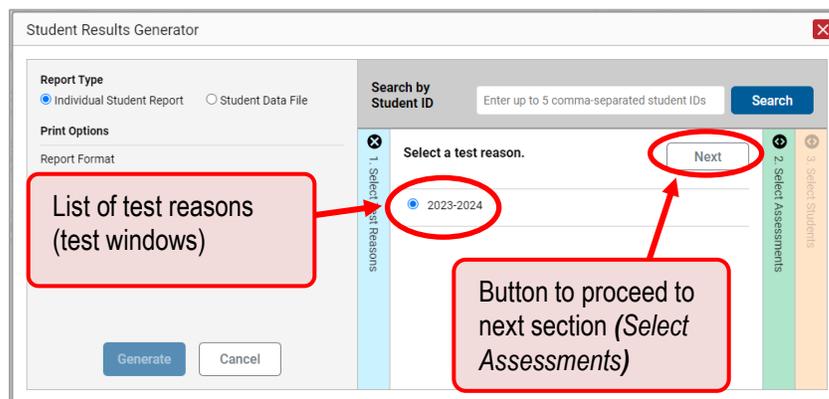
Figure 30. District-Level User View: Student Results Generator Window: Student Search Results



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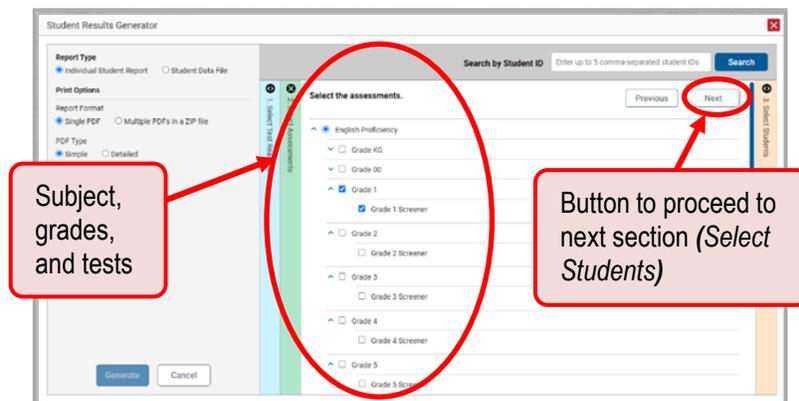
- c. Use the three accordion sections. Starting from the left, click the section bars to expand them or use the **Next** and **Previous** buttons to navigate. You must make selections within each section: first **test reason**, then **assessments**, and finally, **students**.
- i. In the **Select Test Reason** accordion section ([Figure 31](#)), choose the test reason. Test reasons represent test windows.

Figure 31. Student Results Generator Window: Select Test Reason Section



- ii. In the **Select Assessments** section ([Figure 32](#)), select English Proficiency and mark the checkboxes beside the grades or tests you want to include in the report.

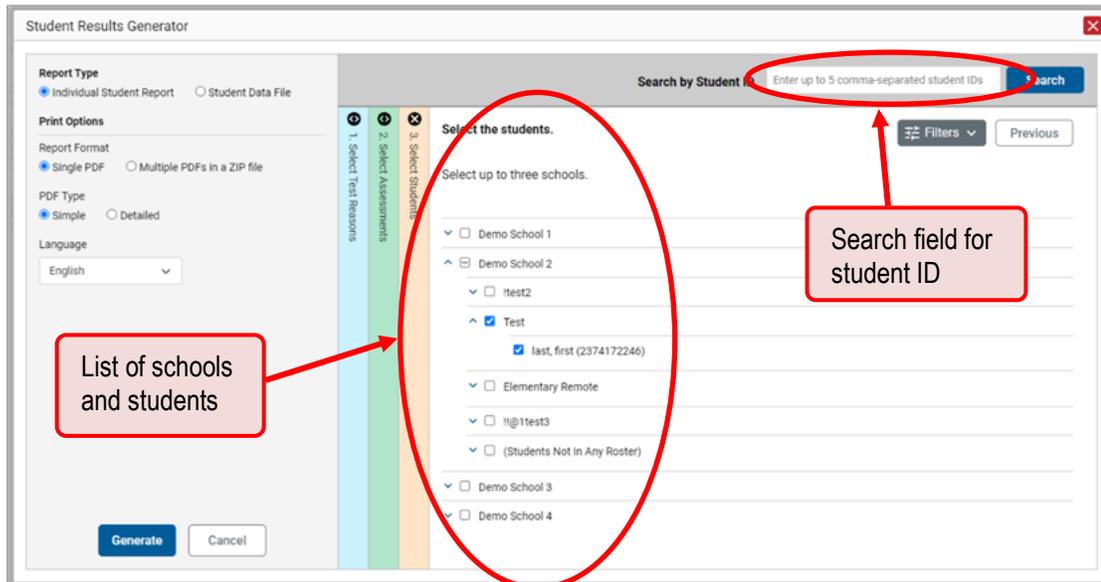
Figure 32. Student Results Generator Window: Select Assessments Section



- iii. In the **Select Students** section ([Figure 33](#)), there is a list of classes (rosters) if you're a teacher or school-level user or schools if you're a district-level user. Mark the checkboxes for the schools, classes, and/or individual students you want to include in the ISRs. If you're a district-level user, you may choose the students in up to three schools.

- Sometimes the list of students is truncated. You can display the entire list by clicking **Click to Load More**.
- Note that marking the checkbox for a student in one class (roster) or school also marks it anywhere else the student appears, and the same goes for clearing the checkbox.

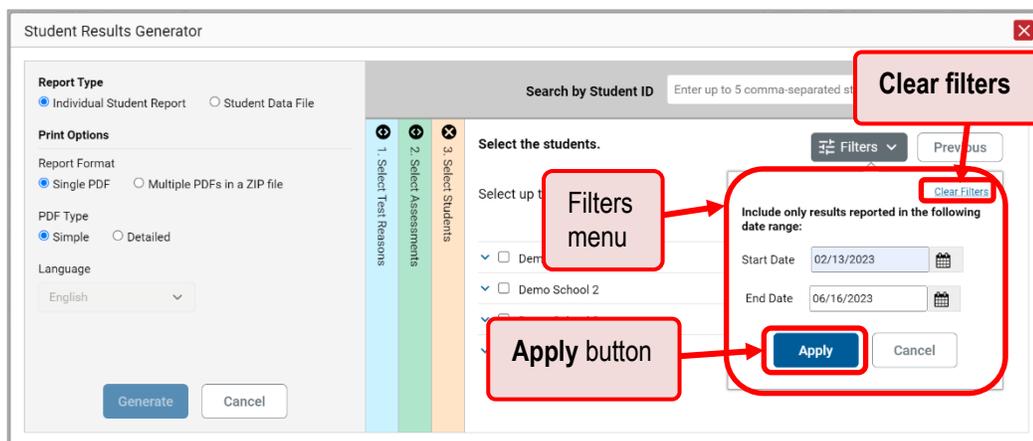
Figure 33. District-Level User View: Student Results Generator Window: Select Students Section



6. *Optional:* If you used the accordion sections to make your selections, then to set a range of processing dates for which to generate results, use the filter menu as follows:
 - a. Open the **Filters** menu . The menu displays two date fields, as in [Figure 34](#).
 - b. Use the calendar tools to select dates, or enter them in the format mm/dd/yyyy.
 - c. Click **Apply**.
 - d. *Optional:* To revert to including results for all available dates, reopen the filter menu, click **Clear Filters**, then click **Apply**.

Note that processing date is not always the same as the date a test was taken.

Figure 34. District-Level User View: Student Results Generator Window: Select Students Section with Filter Menu Open



7. From the Language drop-down list, select a language for the ISR.
8. Click **Generate**. Once ISR generation is finished, the Secure File Center contains the new ISR(s) available for download.

Generate and Export Student Data Files

This section discusses student data files, which are useful for analysis.

How can I generate and export student data files?

To generate and export a student data file for a student, use the **Student Results Generator**. You can select any combination of a test reason, assessments, and students in order to generate and export the files.

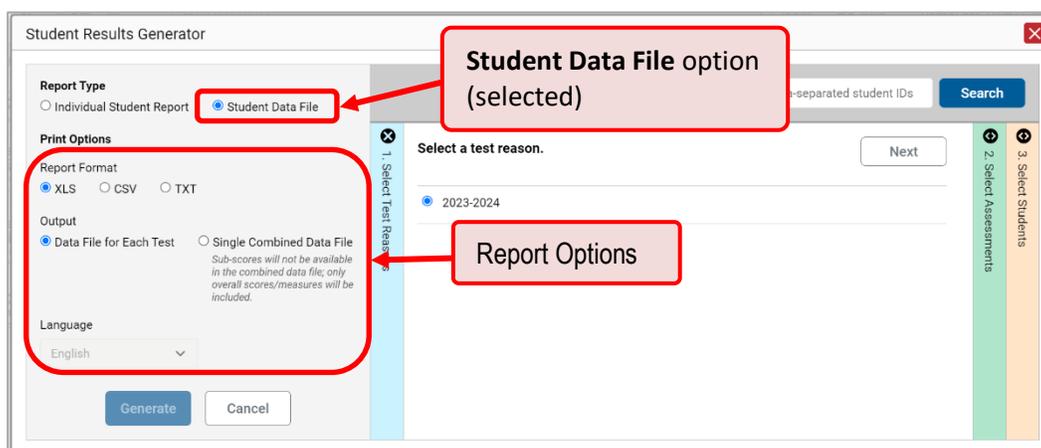
You can generate student data files from almost any report page.

1. Click the **Download Student Results** button  in the **Features & Tools** menu  (see [Figure 28](#)). The **Student Results Generator** window opens.

Depending on what page you open the **Student Results Generator** from, the options available to you may be prepopulated or preselected. (The filters applied to the page have no effect, however.) You can change the selections.

2. In the panel on the left, select **Student Data File**, as in [Figure 35](#). Always do this before you make other selections. Switching between the **Individual Student Report** and **Student Data File** options may revert some selections.

Figure 35. Student Results Generator Window

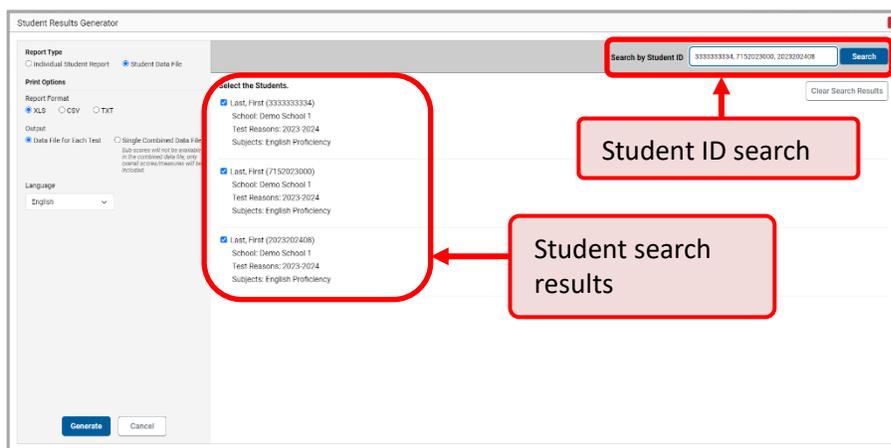


3. Under Report Format, select **XLS** (Excel .xlsx), **CSV** (comma-separated values), or **TXT** (tab-delimited text).

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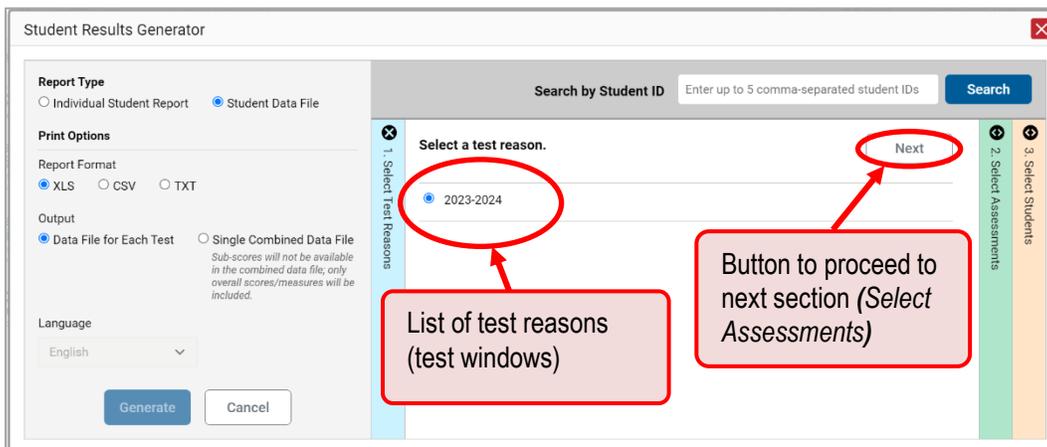
4. Under Output, select either **Data File for Each Test** or **Single Combined Data File**. Note that a single combined file does not include reporting categories. Large files may be split by school.
5. If the test opportunity options are not preselected, or if you want to change them, there are two ways to make selections
 - a. Search for students. In the search field at the upper-right corner, enter up to 5 comma-separated student IDs and click **Search**. The resulting list of students and all the tests they've taken will replace any previous selections, as in [Figure 36](#). To deselect and clear results, click **Clear Search Results**.

Figure 36. District-Level User View: Student Results Generator Window: Student Search Results



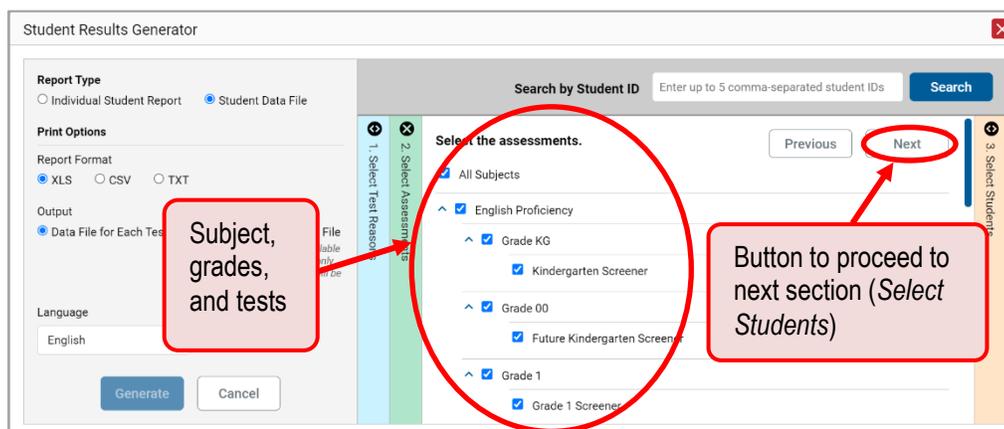
- b. Use the three accordion sections. Starting at the left, click the section bars to expand the sections or use the **Next** and **Previous** buttons to navigate them. Within each section you must make selections: first **test reason**, then **assessments**, then **students**.
 - i. In the **Select Test Reason** section, choose the test reason (see [Figure 37](#)). Test reasons represent test windows.

Figure 37. Student Results Generator Window: Select Test Reason Section



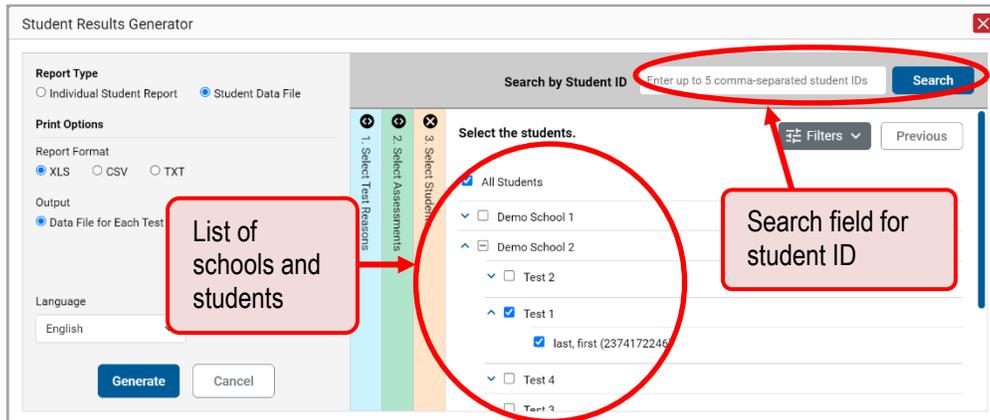
- ii. In the **Select Assessments** section ([Figure 38](#)), mark the checkboxes beside the tests or groups of tests you want to include in the report, or mark **All Subjects**.

Figure 38. Student Results Generator Window: Select Assessments Section



- iii. In the **Select Students** section ([Figure 39](#)), there is a list of classes (rosters) if you're a teacher or school-level user or schools if you're a district-level user. Mark the checkboxes for the schools, classes, and/or individual students you want to include in the ISRs.
 - Sometimes a list of students is truncated. You can display the entire list by clicking **Click to Load More**.
 - Marking the checkbox for a student in one class (roster) or school also marks it anywhere else the student appears, and the same goes for clearing the checkbox.

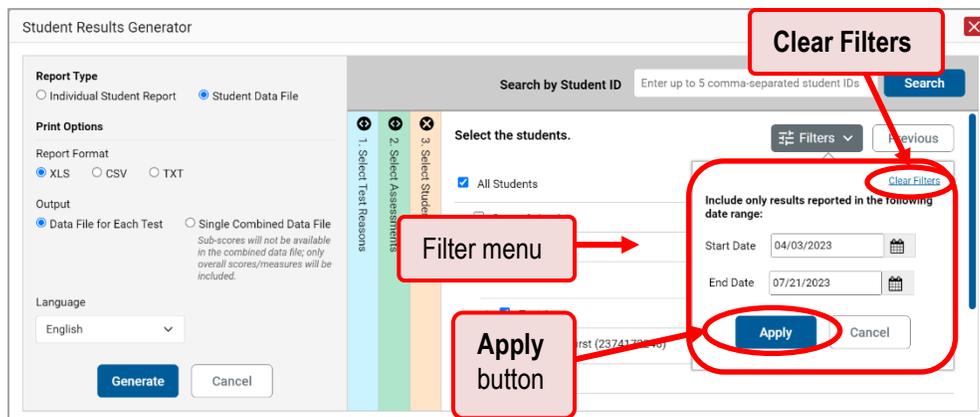
Figure 39. Student Results Generator Window: Select Students Section



6. *Optional:* To set a date range for which to generate results, use the filter menu as follows:
 - a. Click the **Filters** button . The filter menu opens, displaying two date fields ([Figure 40](#)).
 - b. Use the calendar tools to select dates, or enter them in the format mm/dd/yyyy.
 - c. Click **Apply**.
 - d. *Optional:* To revert to including results for all available dates, reopen the filter menu, click **Clear Filters**, then click **Apply**.

Note that processing date is not always the same as the date a test was taken.

Figure 40. District-Level User View: Student Results Generator Window: Select Students Section with Filter Menu Open



7. From the Language drop-down list, select a language for the student data file.
8. Click **Generate**. Once data file generation is finished, the Secure File Center contains the new student data file(s) available for download.

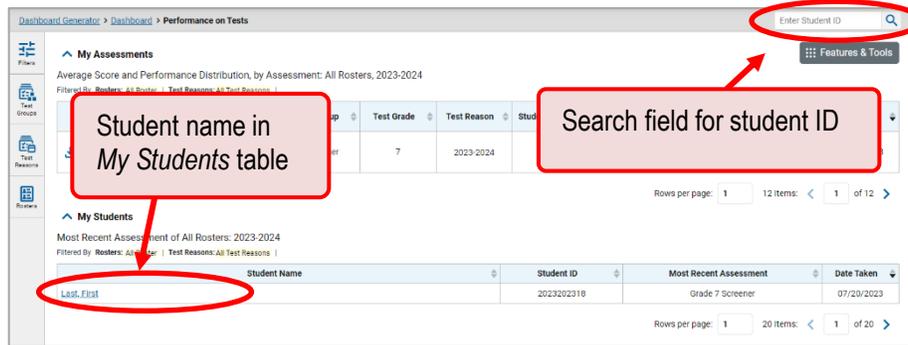
How can I compare a student's performance on any of their tests with that of my state, district, school, and/or total students?

In the Student Portfolio Report, you can compare a student's performance on any test with that of your state, district, school, and/or total students. To do so, follow the instructions below:

1. Enter the student's SSID in the search field in the upper-right corner and click  (see [Figure 43](#)). The Student Portfolio Report appears.

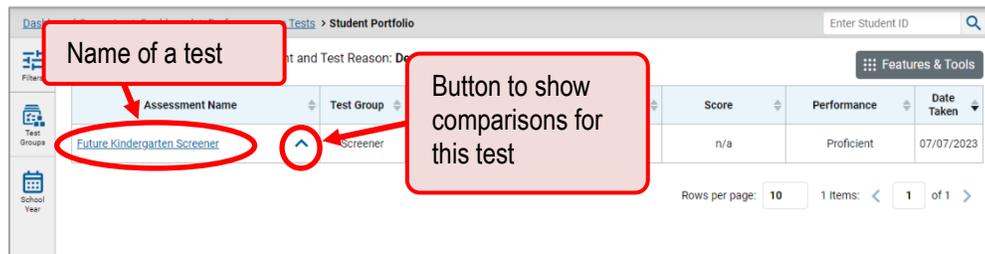
Teachers can also access this report from the dashboard by going to the *My Students* table located at the bottom of the page and clicking a student's name.

Figure 43. Teacher's View: Performance on Tests Page



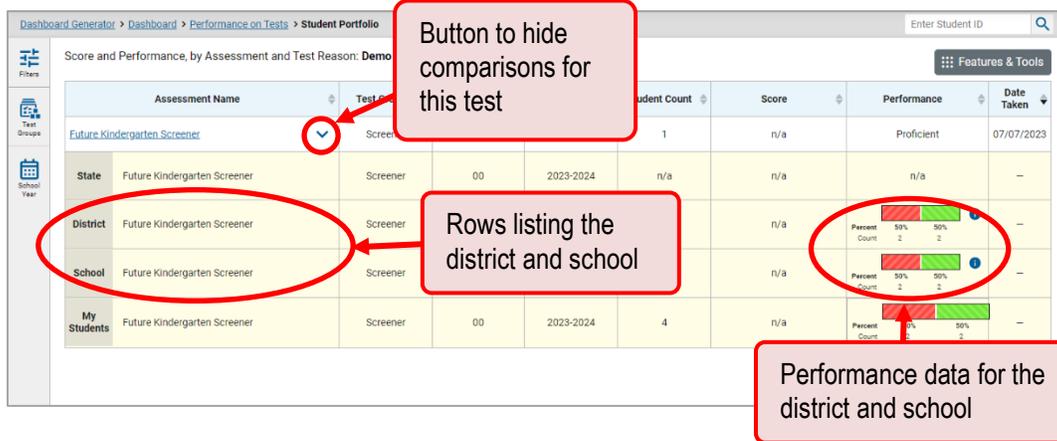
2. Click  to the right of a test name.

Figure 44. Student Portfolio Report



Rows containing data for your state, district, school, and/or total students appear below.

Figure 45. Teacher View: Student Portfolio Report with Expanded Comparison Rows



To hide the comparison rows, click  to the right of the test name.

Set Up Reports to Suit Your Needs

You can set up your reports so it's easier to access the data that are most important to you. For example, if you're a teacher, you may want to hide certain tests in subjects you don't teach, or you may want to narrow down your reports to a single roster.

This section explains how to make several different adjustments to reports: filtering to show only the tests you're interested in; filtering to show only the classes (rosters) you're interested in; and viewing data from a previous point in time.

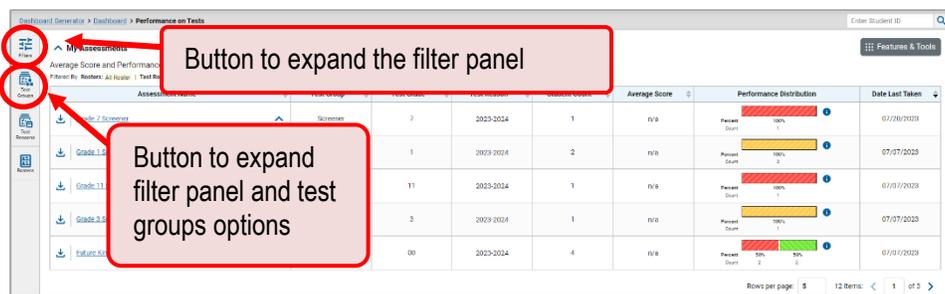
Filter Tests to Display

How can I filter reports by test?

You can temporarily filter which tests you want to see in your reports. Filtering tests to display begins on the Dashboard Generator page. This is where you can select the test groups you want to view on the dashboard and, as an option, set those selections as defaults. You can also temporarily filter the tests that appear in the reports you are currently viewing, as described below.

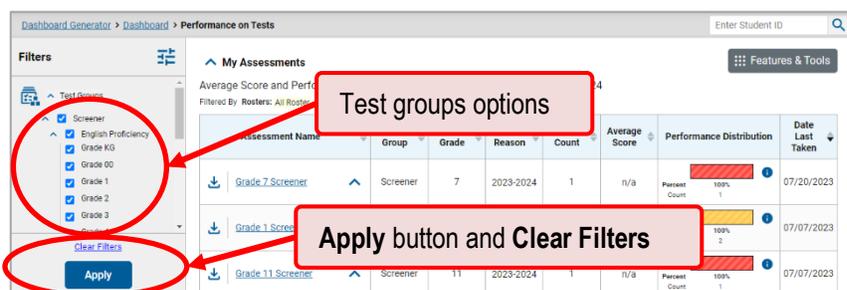
1. On the left side of the dashboard or the Performance on Tests report, click either the **Filters** panel button  or the **Test Groups** button  (see [Figure 46](#)). The **Filters** panel expands.

Figure 46. Teacher View: Performance on Tests Page



2. Mark as many selections as you like in the *Test Groups* section of the filter panel. Tests are organized by test type, subject, and grade.

Figure 47. Teacher View: Filter Panel Expanded



3. Click **Apply**. The dashboard updates to show only data for those tests.

4. *Optional:* To revert all filters to their defaults, open the filters panel again and click **Clear Filters**. Click **Apply**. Filters also revert when you log out, switch user roles, or switch systems.

Teachers: Filter Classes (Rosters) to Display

Rosters usually represent classes, but can represent any group that’s meaningful to users, such as students who have taken honors courses. Each roster is associated with a teacher. On the dashboard, teachers can filter by roster.

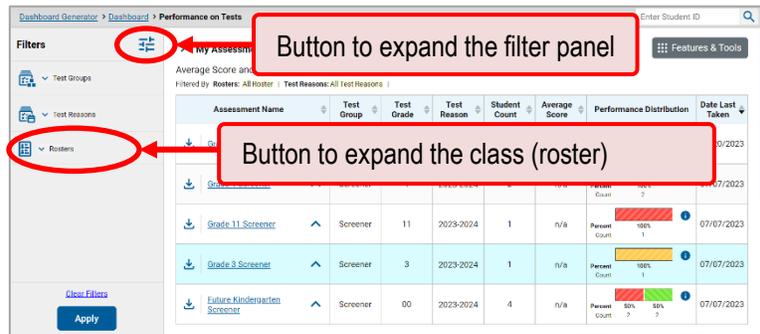
How can I filter reports by class (roster)?

When you filter, you eliminate students not in the selected class from the data you’re viewing.

Filtering by roster makes it easy to focus on a particular class’s performance. And by switching filters, you can easily compare it with another class. If you don’t filter by roster, the reports default to showing data for all classes. You may find data for a single class easier to understand.

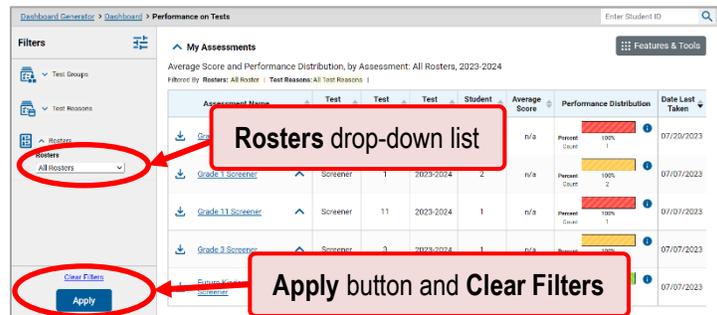
1. On the left side of the Performance on Tests page, click either the **Filters** panel expand button  or the **Rosters** button  (see [Figure 48](#)). The filter panel expands.

Figure 48. Teacher View: Filters Panel



2. Make a selection from the drop-down list in the *Rosters* section.

Figure 49. Teacher View: Filters Panel Expanded



3. Click **Apply**. The affected report updates to show only data for that class (roster).

4. *Optional:* To revert all filters to their defaults, open the filters panel again and click **Clear Filters**. Click **Apply**. Filters also revert when you log out, switch user roles, or switch systems.

All the reports accessible from this page will be filtered the same way.

The row of filter details below the table header shows the rosters you're viewing.

Figure 50. Teacher View: Filtered by All Rosters

The screenshot shows two tables. The top table, 'My Assessments', has columns for Assessment Name, Test Group, Test ID, Performance Distribution, and Date Last Taken. The bottom table, 'My Students', has columns for Student Name, Student ID, Most Recent Assessment, and Date Taken. A callout box with a red border points to the filter details in the table headers, stating: 'Filter details specifying that the tables are filtered to show all rosters'.

View Data from a Previous Point in Time

Changing the reporting time period allows you to view test results from a previous point in time. There are two time period settings: you can select a school year for which to view tests, and you can enter a date for which to view students.

- When you set a school year for which to view tests, the reports show data for test opportunities completed *in the selected school year*.
- When you set a date for which to view students, the reports show data only for the students who were associated with you *as of the selected date*. Students' enrollment and demographic information is all given as of the selected date as well. You can use this setting to view students who have left your rosters, school, or district (or even state).

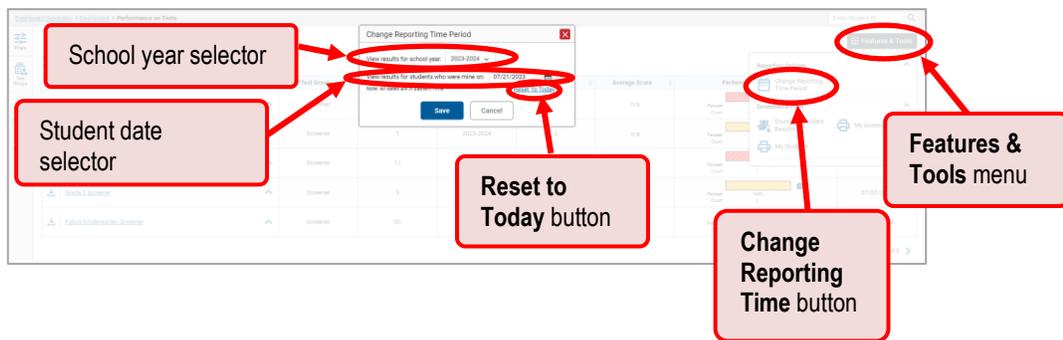
If you don't change the reporting time period, or if you reset it to the default, all the reports show test opportunities only for the current school year (except Student Portfolio Reports, which always retain the ability to look back to previous years), with current student data.

You may find that switching between past data and more recent data is useful for comparing performance over time. For example, you may want to compare a previous school year with the current one. Or you may want to compare students' performance in their current classes with their performance in previous ones.

How can I view data from a previous point in time?

1. From the **Features & Tools** menu , select **Change Reporting Time Period** . (If you're viewing the Dashboard Generator page, click **Change the reporting time period**. The dashboard also offers this link when no assessments are available to display.) The **Change Reporting Time Period** window appears (see [Figure 51](#)).

Figure 51. Change Reporting Time Period Window



2. From the school year drop-down list, select a school year. This is the year for which you will view test results.
3. In the *View results for students who were mine on* field, use the calendar tool to select a date, or enter it in the format mm/dd/yyyy. You will be viewing all the students who were associated with you on that date, and only those students.
 - To view your current students' past performance, keep the date set to today.
 - To view the performance of your former students, set the date to a day when those students were associated with you and had started testing.
4. Click **Save**. All reports are now filtered to show only data for the selected school year and date. All other filters are cleared.
5. *Optional:* To go back to viewing the latest data, open the **Change Reporting Time Period** window again, click **Reset to Today** in the lower-right corner, then click **Save**. The date resets and all filters are cleared. The reporting time period also resets when you log out, but persists when you switch roles.

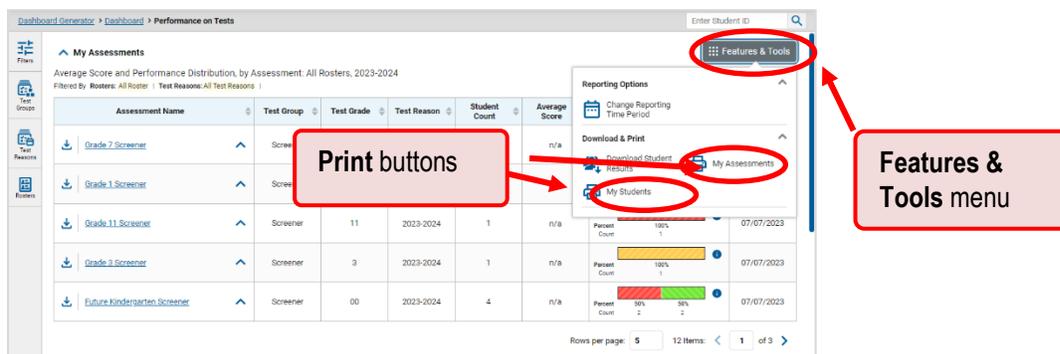
Export and Print Data

You can export or print any report you see in the Reporting System. Some can be exported directly from the dashboard. You may want to export or print the data to save a snapshot to consult later, or share. Different options will be available depending on the report you are viewing.

How can I export or print a report I'm viewing?

1. Select the print button  from the **Features & Tools menu** , from the upper-right corner of the report (see [Figure 52](#)). If there are multiple report tables on the page, multiple print buttons appear.

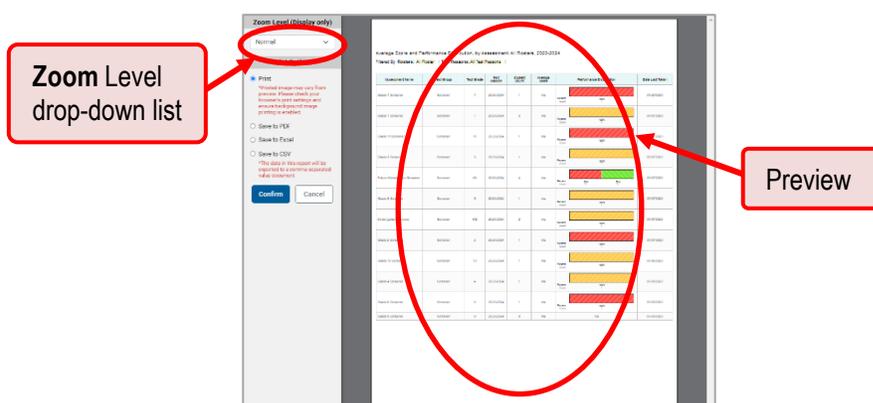
Figure 52. Teacher View: Performance on Tests Page



A print preview page opens (see [Figure 53](#)).

- To zoom in on the print preview, use the drop-down list under the Zoom Level (Display only) section. This setting affects the preview only.

Figure 53. Print Preview Page



2. Do one of the following under the *Print Options* section:

- To print the report, select the **Print** radio button.

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- To download a PDF version of the report, select **Save to PDF**. Then select an option from the **Page Layout** drop-down list that appears.
- To download a comma-separated value (CSV) version of the report, select **Save to CSV**.

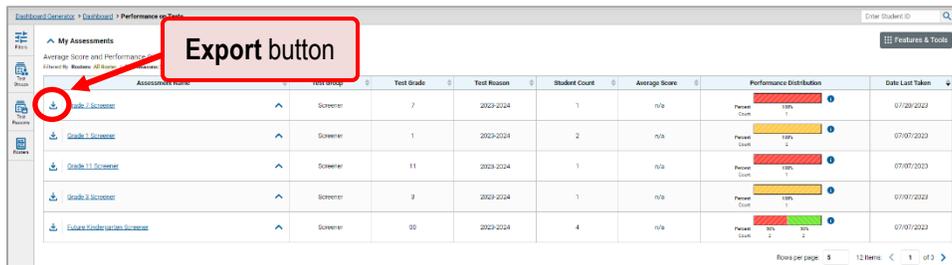
3. Click **Confirm**.

If you saved the report as a PDF or CSV, the **Secure File Center** window appears, displaying the generated report.

How can I export an assessment report directly from the dashboard?

1. Click the export button  to the left of the assessment whose report you wish to export (see [Figure 54](#)).

Figure 54. Teacher View: Performance on Tests Page

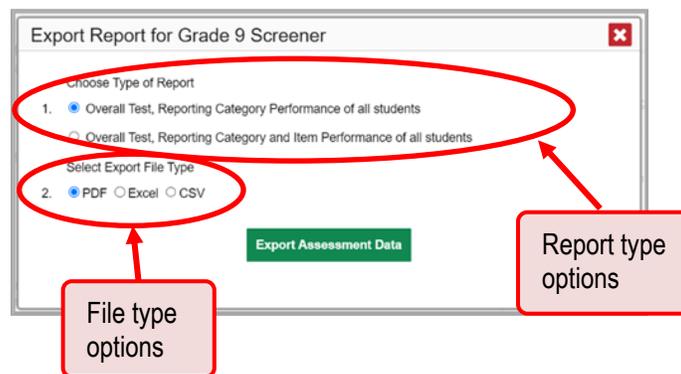


Assessment Name	Test Group	Test Grade	Test Reason	Student Count	Average Score	Performance Distribution	Date Last Taken
Grade 9 Screener	Screener	9	2023-2024	1	n/a	Percent Score: 100%	07/07/2023
Grade 10 Screener	Screener	10	2023-2024	2	n/a	Percent Score: 100%	07/07/2023
Grade 11 Screener	Screener	11	2023-2024	1	n/a	Percent Score: 100%	07/07/2023
Grade 12 Screener	Screener	12	2023-2024	1	n/a	Percent Score: 100%	07/07/2023
End-of-Course Test	Screener	00	2023-2024	4	n/a	Percent Score: 85% / 85%	07/07/2023

The **Export Report** window opens. The options in this window vary according to your user role.

2. **Teachers and school-level users:** The exported report will contain data for all your students who took the test.

Figure 55. School-Level User View: Export Report Window



Export Report for Grade 9 Screener

Choose Type of Report

1. Overall Test, Reporting Category Performance of all students

Overall Test, Reporting Category and Item Performance of all students

Select Export File Type

2. PDF Excel CSV

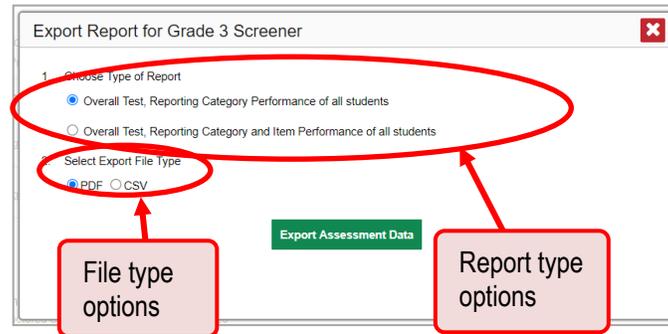
Export Assessment Data

District-level users: Select which report to export for the assessment.

- To export the district test results for the assessment, mark the **Overall Performance of all my Schools** radio button.

- To export school test results, mark the **Overall Test Reporting Category Performance of all Students for [School Name]** radio button, then select a school from the drop-down list.

Figure 56. District-Level User View: Export Report Window



3. Do one of the following:

- To export the report in PDF format, mark the **PDF** radio button.
- To export the report in .xlsx format, mark the **Excel** radio button.
- To export the report in comma-separated values (CSV) format, mark the **CSV** radio button.

4. Click **Export Assessment Data**. A confirmation window appears.

5. Click **Yes** to export or **No** to return to the **Export Report** window. When you've exported a file, the **Secure File Center** window appears with the generated file available for download. The file lists results by student, unless you selected **Overall Performance of all my Schools**, in which case it lists results by school.

Appendix

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Class (Roster) Management

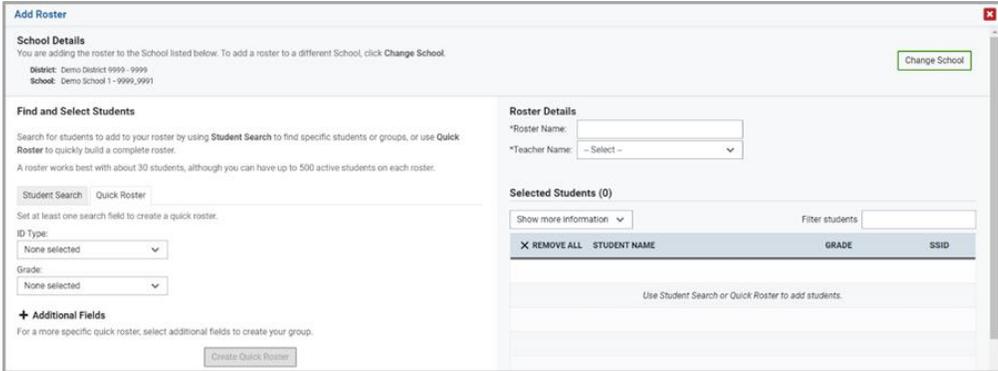
Teachers, school-level users, and district-level users can add, edit, and delete classes (rosters). Rosters are a great way to organize students, allow teachers to view their students' performance, and allow other users to compare the performance of different classes.

How can I add a class (roster)?

You can create new classes (rosters) from students associated with your school or district.

1. From the **Features & Tools menu** , select **Add Roster** . The **Roster Manager** window appears, showing the Add Roster form.

Figure 57. Roster Manager Window: Add Roster Form



2. If necessary, select the district and school for the roster from the drop-down lists.
3. Add a roster name and select a teacher.
4. Decide how you want to add students:

Quick Roster tab (search adds students automatically, manually remove students to edit)

- Use the **Quick Roster** tab to create a roster from a group of students. Once you select the search criteria, all students who meet those criteria are automatically added to the roster after you select **Create Quick Roster**. You can remove students manually by selecting  next to individual students or select **Remove All** from the top of the grid. Selecting **Save** creates your roster.

Student Search tab (search finds students that you add and remove manually)

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- Use the **Student Search** tab for a more traditional search function, including the option to find specific students by ID or name. After you return results, select  to add individuals or select **Add All** from the top of the grid.

 **Tip:** To return fewer students, limit your search by adding more criteria. Expand the *Additional Fields* section to add student information criteria as available.

5. *Optional:* After results appear under *Selected Students*, change the information that displays about students.
 - **Show more information** drop-down: Select or clear additional columns under Available/Selected Students grids.
 -  **Note:** Selecting **Former Students** shows students who are no longer associated with the school in italics with the date they left the school. You can still add these students to your class.
 - Use the *Filter* field to limit students to those who match the text you enter.

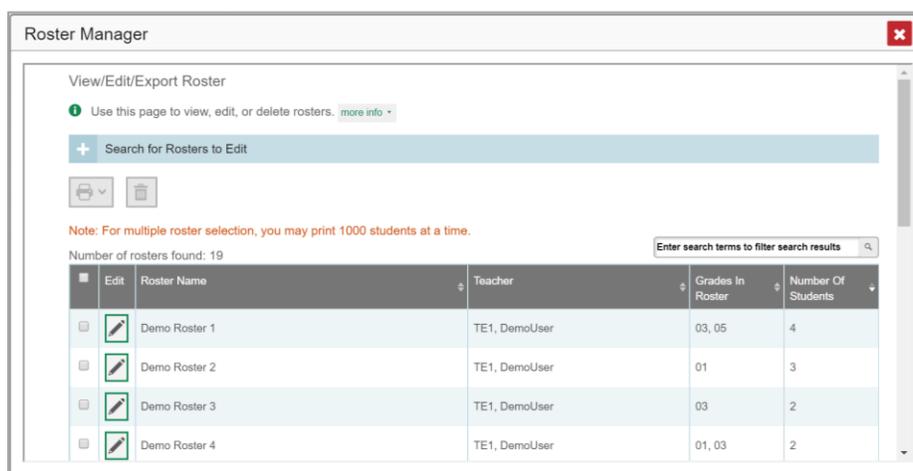
This keyword search only finds text in the grid. Be aware if you enter 11 to find students in 11th grade, any content with the text “11” will display. This could potentially pull in results you did not intend to find.
 - After you save, rosters may be changed from the Edit Rosters screen.

How can I modify a class (roster)?

You can modify a class (roster) by changing its name, changing its associated teacher, adding students, or removing students.

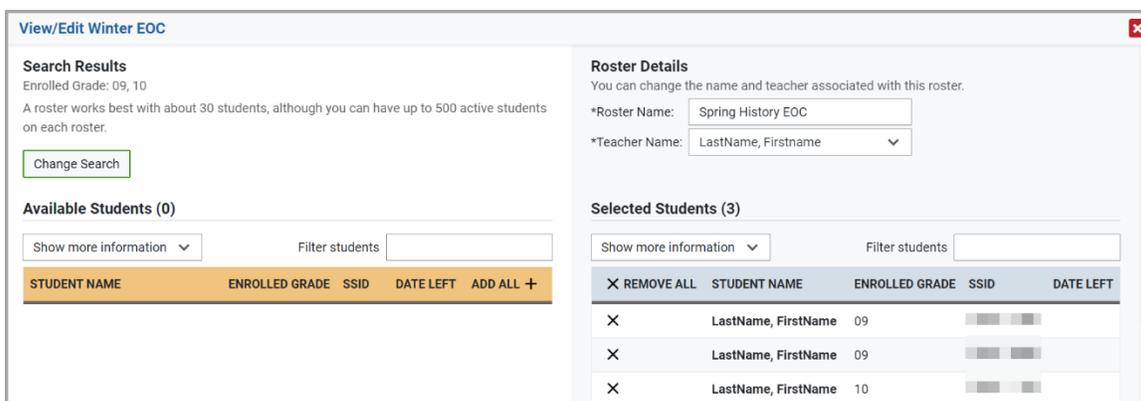
1. From the **Features & Tools menu** , select **View/Edit Roster** . The *Roster Manager* window appears, showing the View/Edit/Export Roster form.
2. Select the school year, district, school, and roster type as needed for the roster you wish to edit. Optionally, select a teacher.
3. Click **Search**. Click **View Results** to view the results in your browser.

Figure 58. Roster Manager Window: View/Edit/Export Roster Form



- In the list of retrieved rosters, click for the roster whose details you want to view. The **View/Edit** window opens.

Figure 59. Roster Manager Window: View/Edit Roster Form



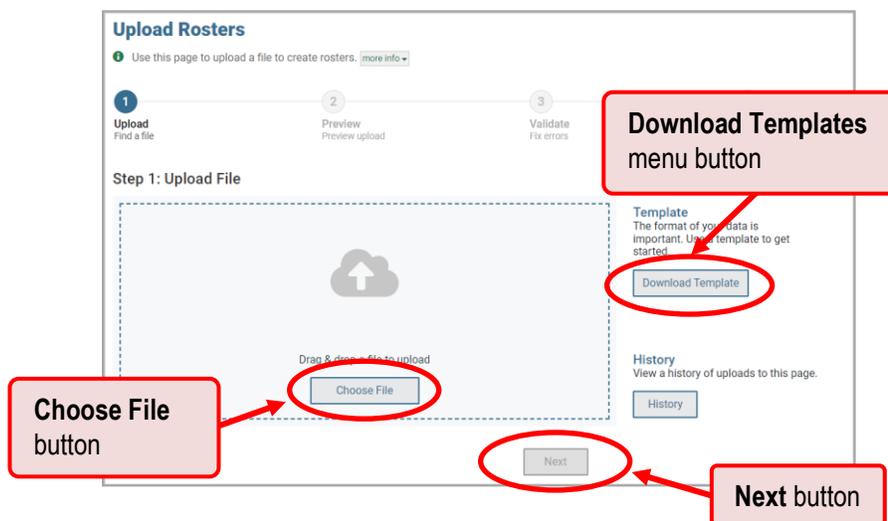
- To add students, select **Find Students**. Select the **Student Search** tab to add individual students manually, or select the **Quick Roster** tab to add a group of students and then remove individual students who do not need to be on the roster. After you return results, select to add individuals or select **Add All** from the top of the grid.
 - Note:** Each user-defined roster can only be associated with one school, so the search options do not include a way to search for a school.
- To remove students, click next to an individual student or select **Remove All** from the top of the grid.
- Select **Save**, and in the affirmation dialog box select **Continue**.

How can I upload classes (rosters)?

If you have many classes (rosters) to create, it may be easier to perform those transactions through file uploads. This task requires familiarity with composing comma-separated value (CSV) files or working with Microsoft Excel.

1. From the **Features & Tools** menu , select **Upload Rosters** . The **Roster Manager** window appears, showing the Upload Rosters: Upload page.

Figure 60. Roster Manager Window: Upload Rosters: Upload Page



2. Click **Download Templates** on the right and select the appropriate file type (either **Excel** or **CSV**).
3. Open the template file in a spreadsheet application, fill it out, and save it.

Figure 61. Filled-Out Roster Upload Template

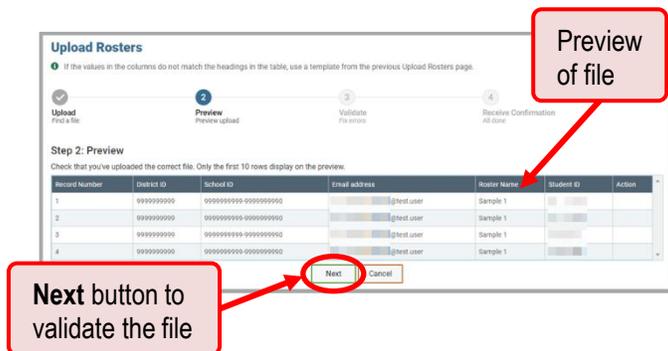
	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	District ID	School ID	User Email ID	Roster Name	SSID	Action
2	DemoDistrictID1	DemoSchoolID1	demoteacher@state.edu	Roster A	2837465746	Add
3	DemoDistrictID2	DemoSchoolID2	demoteacher@state.edu	Roster B	3294837283	Add
4	DemoDistrictID3	DemoSchoolID3	demoteacher@state.edu	Roster C	0049384736	Add
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6						
7						

4. On the Upload Rosters: Upload page, click **Choose File** and select the file you created in the previous step.

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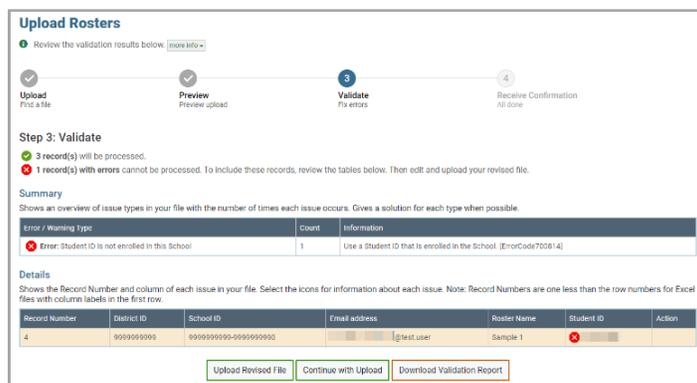
- Click **Next**. The **Upload Rosters: Preview** page appears (see [Figure 62](#)). Use the file preview on this page to verify you uploaded the correct file.

Figure 62. Roster Manager Window: Upload Rosters: Preview Page



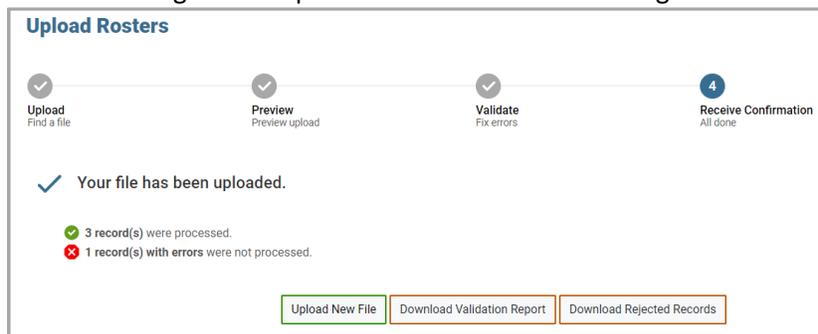
- Click **Next** to validate the file. Any errors or warnings are displayed on the **Upload Rosters: Validate** page. If a record contains an error, that record will not be included in the upload. If a record contains a warning, that record will be uploaded, but the field with the warning will be invalid.

Figure 63. Roster Manager Window: Upload Rosters: Validate Page



- To revise the file before uploading, select **Upload Revised File**.
- To view a list of issues with the file, select **Download Validation Report**.
- To continue with the upload regardless of errors or warnings, select **Continue with Upload**. The confirmation screen appears.

Figure 64. Upload Rosters Confirmation Page



[Table 1](#) provides the guidelines for filling out the Roster template that you can download from the Upload Roster page.

Table 1. Columns in the Rosters Upload File

Column Name	Description	Valid Values
District ID*	District associated with the roster.	District ID that exists in TIDE. Up to 3 characters.
School ID*	School associated with the roster.	School ID that exists in TIDE. Up to 6 characters. Must be associated with the district ID. Can be blank when adding district-level rosters.
User Email ID*	Email address of the teacher associated with the roster.	Complete email address of a teacher existing in TIDE.
Roster Name*	Name of the roster.	Up to 255 characters.
SSID*	Student's unique identifier within the district.	10 digits.
ACTION	Action to be taken on the student, either adding them to or deleting them from the roster. If blank, the student will be added.	Add or Delete.

*Required field.

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Help

The Reporting System includes an online user guide.

How to Access the Online User Guide

In the banner, click **Help**. The guide opens in a pop-up window, showing the help page specific to the page you're on. For example, if you click **Help** while on the dashboard, you'll see the ***Overview of the Dashboard Generator*** page.

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Login Process

This section describes how to log in to the Reporting System.

Do not share your login information with anyone. All ELPA21 systems provide access to student information, which must be protected in accordance with federal privacy laws.

1. Access the IDOE login page at <http://portal.ed.iowa.gov>. Use your Enterprise A&A account ID and password to log in.

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- For help setting up an account see the [Enterprise A&A Account Set-up and Help](#).

Figure 65. Iowa Department of Education Portal



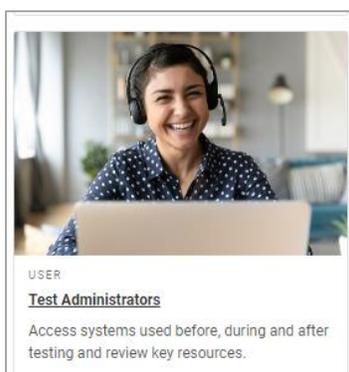
2. Click the **iowa ELPA21** application from your menu. You will be directed to the Iowa ELPA21 Online Assessment System portal.
 - If you do not have access to **iowa ELPA21**, you will need to request access, please see option 3 under EdPortal Online training, on how to request access.

Figure 66. Iowa Department of Education Portal Menu



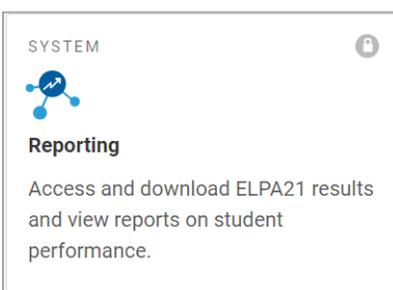
3. Select your user role.

Figure 67. Portal User Cards



4. Select **Reporting** (see [Figure 68](#)).

Figure 68. Reporting Card



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Non-Scorable Test Opportunities

The reports in Reporting do not include data for non-scorable test opportunities. A student's test opportunity cannot be scored when it has a test status of "Expired" or "Invalidated", or when it includes blank or empty domains (domains without items). If a test opportunity is non-scorable, a notification

⚠ appears below the report for that assessment.

You can click **More Info** on the notification to view the **Students with Other Test Statuses** window. This window lists the students who have non-scorable test opportunities for the given assessment, as well as the status code and completion date for each.

Figure 69. Students with Other Test Statuses Window

Name	Student ID	Condition Code	Date Taken
Demo_LastName, Demo_FirstName	9920195050	Insufficient to score	07/26/2019
Doe, John	5000050003	Invalidated	07/19/2019
Doe, Jane	5000050004	Insufficient to score	07/19/2019

Student names

Student IDs

Condition codes

Dates the tests were taken

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Performance Data

What kinds of performance data are displayed in the Reporting System?

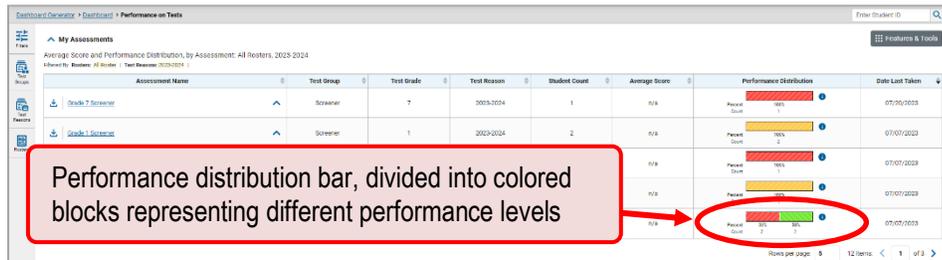
Depending on the test, a report may display different kinds of performance data:

- Score data:
 - Scale scores.

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- Raw scores, which may be in the form of percentages or fractions.
- Performance level data, which are used for tests with performance levels (also known as proficiency levels). Performance levels provide qualitative measurements of students' proficiency in relation to a particular standard or set of standards. Some aggregate reports include performance distribution bars showing the percentage of students who achieved each performance level.

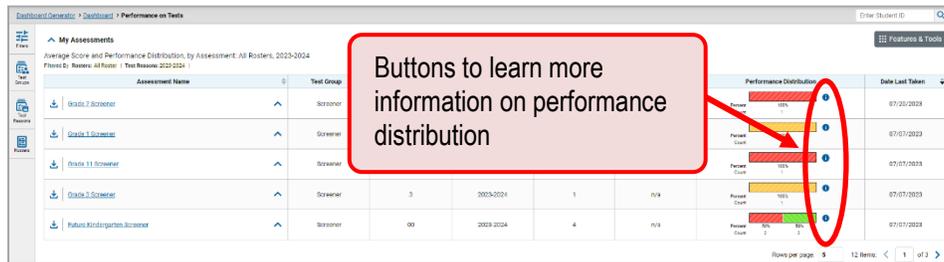
Figure 70. Teacher View: Dashboard



How can I learn more about what scores and performance levels are?

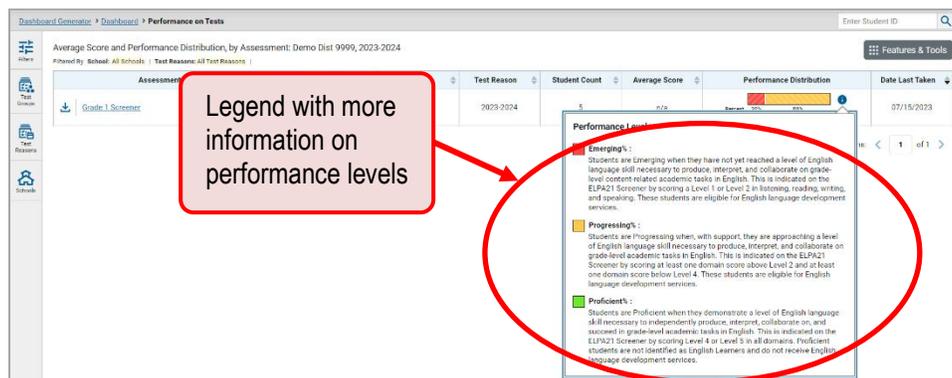
In a report, click the more information button  in the score or Performance Distribution columns.

Figure 71. School Performance on Test Report



A legend appears, explaining what the scores or performance levels indicate.

Figure 72. School Performance on Test Report with Expanded Performance Distribution Legend



You will find similar buttons  in reports throughout the Reporting System.

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Report Tables

How to sort a table

1. To sort by descending order, click the header of the column you wish to sort by. The bottom arrow in the header is shaded darker  when the column is sorted in descending order.
2. To sort by ascending order, click the column header again. The top arrow in the header is shaded darker  when the column is sorted in ascending order.

How to specify the number of rows displayed

In the *Rows per page* field  below a table, enter the number of rows you want the table to display per page. Your specifications persist for each table.

You can click the arrow buttons in this field to increase or decrease the number of rows displayed in increments of one.

How to view additional table rows

To move to the next and previous pages in a table, click the arrow buttons   located at the lower-right corner of the table.

To jump to a specific table page, enter the page number in the field  located at the lower-right corner of the table.

How can I view additional table columns?

To scroll the table to the right or left, click the arrow buttons   located on the right and left sides of the table.

If a table contains expandable and collapsible accordion sections, you can click the section bars or  and  to expand and collapse them.

How can I expand all accordion sections in a table?

If you're navigating the page by tabbing through it, you may want to expand all the expandable accordion sections of a table at once. This feature, which is available in most test results, will make the table accessible to a screen reader.

1. Navigate to the table by tabbing through the page in your browser. When the “Load Accessible Table” message appears, press the **Enter** key. All the accordion sections expand.
2. *Optional:* To collapse the sections again, tab through the page to navigate back to the table. When the “Hide Accessible Table” message appears, press the **Enter** key. All the accordion sections collapse, except the **Total** section.

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Secure File Center

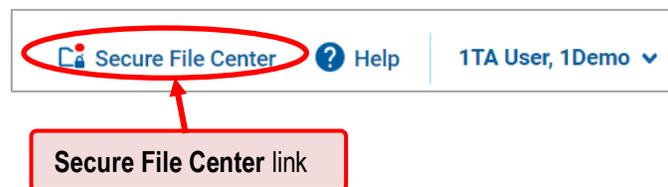
The Reporting System allows you to access a Secure File Center that is integrated with other online assessment systems, such as TIDE, and accessible from your portal.

Each user's Secure File Center is personal to them and not shared among other users. Users can easily manage the files in their Secure File Centers. The files are categorized into different tabs to allow users to view non-archived and archived files. Users can also search for files by keyword. Files are listed in the order in which they were created. The file creation and file expiration dates appear, if applicable, and the number of days remaining until a file expires is also displayed. Users can archive or delete files as needed.

Access and Manage Files in the Secure File Center

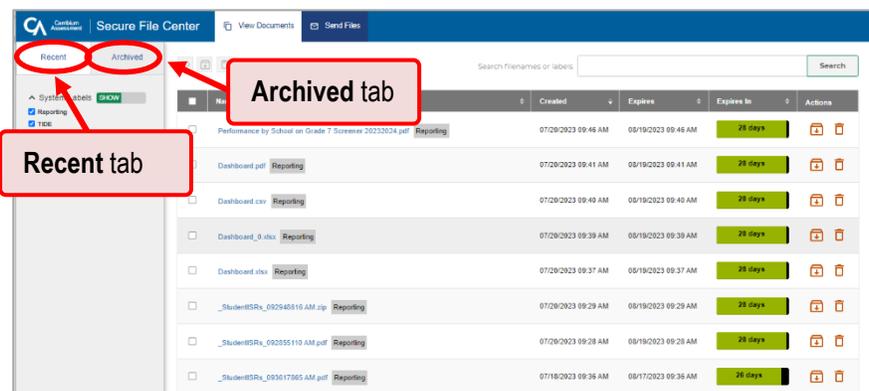
You can access the Secure File Center from any page in Reporting to either download the file or archive the file. You can also delete the files you have exported, but not files added by admin users.

Figure 73. Dashboard: Secure File Center



1. In the banner, click **Secure File Center**. The **Secure File Center** window appears, listing the available files (see [Figure 74](#)). By default, the Secure File Center displays the **View Documents** tab.

Figure 74. Secure File Center Window: View Documents Tab



2. Choose either of the available tabs:
 - **Recent:** Displays all files except those that have been archived.
 - **Archived:** Displays files that have been archived.

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3. *Optional:* To filter the files displayed, enter a search term in the text box in the upper-right corner.
4. *Optional:* To hide or display system labels, click the **System Labels** toggle.
5. *Optional:* To hide files with a particular system label, clear the checkbox for that label.
6. *Optional:* To hide or display custom labels, click the **Custom Labels** toggle.
7. *Optional:* To hide files with a particular custom label, clear the checkbox for that label.
8. *Optional:* Do one of the following:
 - To download a file, click the name of the file.
 - To add a new custom label or apply an existing custom label, select .
 - To apply a new custom label, mark the checkbox, enter a new custom label in the text box, and select **Save New Label**.
 - To apply an existing custom label, mark the checkbox, enter an existing custom label in the text box, and select **Apply Label**.
 - To archive a file, select . To unarchive a file from the **Archived** tab, select .
 - To delete a file, select . Files exported to the Secure File Center or archived can be deleted. However, secure documents uploaded to the Secure File Center by admin users cannot be deleted.

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User Support

For additional information and assistance in using the Reporting System, contact the Iowa ELPA21 Help Desk.

The Iowa ELPA21 Help Desk is open Monday through Friday, 7:00AM to 7:00PM Central Time (except holidays or as otherwise indicated on the portal).

Iowa ELPA21 Help Desk

Toll-Free Phone Support: 1-855-873-5710

Email Support: iowaelpa21helpdesk@cambiumassessment.com

Chat: <https://iowaelpa21.portal.cambiumast.com/contact.html>

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Please provide the Help Desk with a detailed description of your problem, as well as the following:

- If the issue pertains to a student, provide the student's SSID and associated district or school. Do not provide the student's name.
- If the issue pertains to a Test Information Distribution Engine (TIDE) user, provide the user's full name and email address.
- Any error messages and codes that appeared, if applicable.
- Operating system and browser information, including version numbers (e.g., Windows 8.1 and Firefox 60 or macOS 11 and Safari 11).

Change Log

Location	Change	Date
Throughout	Updated the Figures to reflect 15.0 system enhancements.	8/3/22
6-7	Added “How to Use the Dashboard Generator Page”.	8/3/22
Throughout	Updated instructions to reflect the new Dashboard Generator page, where applicable.	8/3/22
Throughout	Updated instructions to reflect the new Features & Tools menu, where applicable.	8/3/22
6-8	Updated “How to Understand the Reporting Dashboard”.	8/3/22
9	Updated instructions for how to see results for all of your students.	8/3/22
40	<p>Removed the following sections, due to the fact that there is no longer a My Settings option:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For Teachers: How to Set Preferences for Tests to Display - For School- and District-Level Users: How to Set Preferences for Classes (Rosters) to Display <p>In order to create persistent preferences, refer to “How to Use the Dashboard Generator Page” (pp. 6-7) and “How can I filter reports by test?” (p. 40).</p>	8/3/22
46	Added Excel to the list of file type options in the Export Report Window.	8/3/22
Throughout	Updated icons and labeled buttons to reflect changes to the user interface for v. 16.0, as well as any screenshots capturing these changes.	7/27/23
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