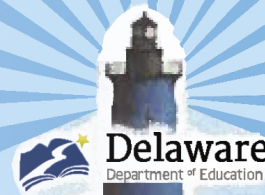


Firstname M. Lastname

Grade: 4
Date of Birth: 1/1/2010
School District: District Name (12)
School: School Name (1234)
Test Date: Spring 2021



Social Studies Assessment

This report is valuable information on Firstname's strengths and areas for growth in Social Studies. This academic checkup is based on the state's yearly social studies test, which is given in the spring. This test is one measure for determining your child's progress in school; others include grades, classroom assignments, district-wide tests, and more.

Delaware's goal is for all students to make progress in each grade so they graduate from high school ready to succeed in college, career, and life. The term "assessment" in education refers to any check of student performance—from in-class quizzes to end-of-year tests. Regular assessments let students, teachers, and families know if a student is doing well in a subject or needs extra support. Teachers then use this information to tailor each student's instruction.

Delaware has rigorous academic standards—or learning goals—for what students should know and be able to do at each grade level. Teachers use these standards to help guide their teaching to measure how well students in grades 4, 7, and 11 are mastering the social studies standards. This test goes beyond multiple-choice and short-answer responses, and focuses on problem solving and critical thinking to accurately measure student progress.

Please read this report carefully and talk to your child's teachers about how you can support your child's continued learning. For more information, visit: <https://www.doe.k12.de.us/Page/3824>.

Sincerely,

Susan Bunting
Secretary of Education

Social Studies Assessment

What is the social studies assessment?

This assessment measures how well a student in grade 4 understands social studies content and concepts in civics, economics, geography, and history. Students are asked to go beyond the retention of a body of facts to an understanding of the why and how of social studies concepts and big ideas.

What are the assessment key features?

- Includes questions that ask students to demonstrate understanding of social studies concepts through explanation, interpretation, and analysis.
- Assessments focus on applying content, rather than the memorization of content.
- Students gather information, process information, and apply information.
- Untimed so students can take breaks and do their best.
- Includes universal text-to-speech as read-aloud support and accessibility resources and accommodations—such as Braille—for those who need them.
- Developed with input from K–12 teachers, higher education faculty, and other experts.

What is in this report?

- Firstname's social studies scale score
- Description of Firstname's performance on the social studies content areas
- Additional resources and FAQs
- For Achievement Level Descriptors (ALDs) visit:
<http://delaware.pearsonaccessnext.com/alds>



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How did Firstname do on the **Social Studies** assessment?

Level 4
2580

What does this score mean?

Firstname's social studies scale score is 2580, which **exceeds** the state's social studies standard for **fourth** graders.

Comparison with State, District, and School level assessment average scores:

Average Score	
State	2438
District	2452
School	2446

Student's Content Area Results	
Content Area	Percent of Items Correct
Civics	67%
Economics	100%
Geography	90%
History	50%

Student's Score:
2580

2490	Meets Standards	Level 4—Exceeds: Students performing at this level have exceeded the achievement standard and demonstrate advanced progress toward mastery of the knowledge and skills of state standards in social studies.
2432		Level 3—Meets: Students performing at this level have met the achievement standard and demonstrate progress toward mastery of the knowledge and skills of state standards in social studies.
2367	Does Not Meet Standards	Level 2—Nearly Meets: Students performing at this level have nearly met the achievement standard and may require further development to demonstrate the knowledge and skills of state standards in social studies.
		Level 1—Does Not Meet: Students performing at this level have not met the achievement standard and need substantial improvement to demonstrate the knowledge and skills of state standards in social studies.

Resources & FAQs

What do these assessment scores tell me?

The scores tell you if your child is performing below, at, or above grade-level social studies performance expectations.

How are these results used?

Delaware teachers use many assessments to monitor student learning of the social studies standards. Short classroom assessments are used to adjust immediate instruction and longer unit assessments help determine if additional instruction is needed on more-complex topics. The state summative assessment provides a more-generalized view of the alignment of curriculum, instruction, and assessment to provide a system of social studies education with an opportunity for shared reflection and informed decision-making at classroom, school, and district levels.

When are Delaware students tested?

Delaware's statewide tests occur in the spring. Students in grades 3–8 are tested each year in ELA/Literacy and math. Students in grades 5, 8, and high-school biology are tested in science. Students in grades 4, 7, and 11 are tested in social studies. All students take the SAT for free once during high school.

How are accommodations provided for students with disabilities and English language learners?

Most accommodations that are provided in classrooms to students with disabilities and English language learners are also available for the state assessments. For more information, please contact your child's school.

How can I help my child at home?

Prior to receiving your student's score report, you should have received a Parent Guide to Student Success outlining what your student should have learned last school year and what he or she is expected to know and be able to do in the upcoming school year. This grade-specific guide also includes at-home ways to help your child in specific areas. The guides also are available online with additional resources at www.doe.k12.de.us/domain/392.

Visit www.DelExcels.org to find resources and information about how you can support your child's learning at home.