[District Name] [District Address]

[Date]

Dear Families,

Your student recently took the North Dakota Academic Progression of Learning and Understanding of Students or ND A-PLUS (ND A+) Interim Assessments. These short, online assessments are administered at multiple points throughout the school year to measure academic growth and student progress toward end-of-year expectations. For students in grade 9, the ND A+ Interim Assessments are administered in the fall, winter, and spring in both reading and math. For students in grade 10, the ND A+ Interim Assessments are administered in the fall and winter in both reading and math, followed by the ND A+ Summative Assessment in the spring. For students in grades 11 and 12, the ND A+ Interim Assessments are administered in the fall, winter, and spring in math.

Understanding the Results

The ND A+ Interim Assessments provide standardized scale scores and performance levels that show how well your student is performing in reading and math. Results are reported for the overall content area (reading or math) as well as by reporting categories within each content area. Test questions are aligned to North Dakota content standards which fall within each of the reporting categories.

Using the Report to Support Your Student

The information in your student's report can support conversations with their teacher about your student's learning. This provides an opportunity for you to ask questions regarding what the scores mean, how you can help and support learning at home, and what types of strategies the school will use to address any specific needs or areas of growth for your student.

Tracking Growth Over Time

Beginning with the second ND A+ Interim Assessment in the winter, the report will also provide a score that shows growth or progress in your student's learning from the fall to the winter, and later from the winter to the spring. We believe that all growth is worth celebrating, and we encourage you to talk with your student about their progress to help them stay engaged in their learning.

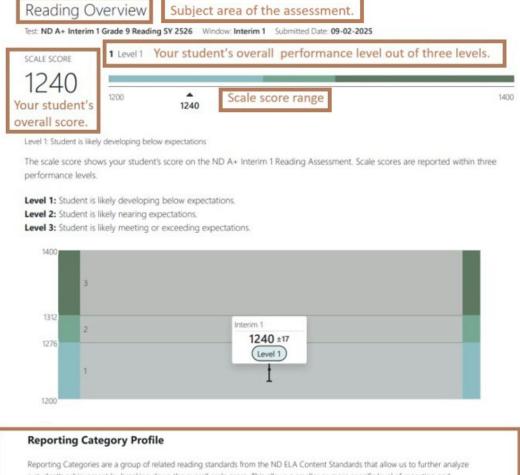
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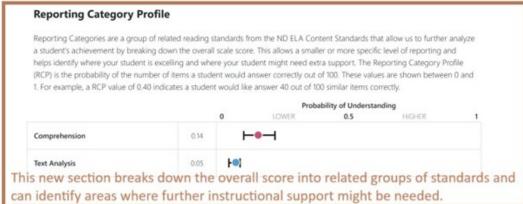
It is important to remember that ND A+ Interim Assessments are just one part of how we understand your student's learning and progress. Teachers also use classroom participation, observations, assignments, grades, and other information to get a complete picture of your student's academic needs and determine how best to support your student.

If you have any questions about your student's results or progress, please reach out to your student's teacher. Thank you for your continued partnership in helping your student succeed.

Sincerely,

[District Representative]





Tips for talking with your student about these results.

- Explain that these tests measure growth so the next report will show how much progress they've made.
- Let them know that this is just one type of assessment and that teachers will use this information with other types of information to help them at school.

Additional information can be found within the <u>ND A+ High School Interim Report Interpretation Guide 2025-2026</u>.