

**Private School Assessment Information
2024-2025 National Blue Ribbon Schools Program**

Exemplary High Performing Schools

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This information is provided for private schools interested in being nominated for the *National Blue Ribbon Schools Award* by the Council for American Private Education (CAPE) based on the criterion that the school is in the top 15 percent of the schools in the nation in reading and mathematics. The following publishers of nationally normed achievement tests have provided “cutoff scores” that define the top 15 percent of schools in each of these two subject areas:

<u>Test Name</u>	<u>Test Publisher</u>
Iowa Assessments (Form E,F,G)	Riverside Publishing
SAT – 10 th Ed (Forms A and D) ¹	Pearson Education
AIMSWebPlus ¹	Pearson Education
Terra Nova 3/NEXT	DRC/CTB
SAT 2017 ²	College Board
ACT	ACT
PreACT, PreACT Secure, PreACT 8/9	ACT
CTP 5	Educational Records Bureau
MAP	NWEA
STAR	Renaissance Learning
CLT3-8, CLT10, CLT	Classic Learning Initiatives
i-Ready Diagnostic	Curriculum Associates
Exact Path Diagnostic	Edmentum

¹ Cutoff scores based on 2018 norms for the SAT 10 and cutoff scores for the AIMSWebPlus have not been provided yet by the publisher. If a school has received results for the SAT 10 based on 2018 norms or results for the AIMSWebPlus, it must look at the **student** national percentile equivalent of the mean scale score in each grade (using the norms from the appropriate time of year). If the student percentile equivalent is 85 or greater in each grade, this will be a sufficient indicator that the school is in the top 15 percent for all grades tested.

² The SAT 2017 replaces the previous version of the SAT. The cutoff scores provided are based on Concordance Tables provided by the College Board for converting scale scores on the previous version to scores on the 2017 version.

If your school has student achievement assessment results on one of these nationally normed tests that appear to provide evidence that the school is in the top 15 percent of all schools nationally, review the tables provided below and find the two tables, one for reading and one for mathematics, for that test. Each table contains cutoff scores for each grade (3 and above) in which school norms are available. The cutoff score is the minimum score a school needs to be nominated as being in the top 15 percent of the schools in the nation for that test. Further details about these cutoff scores are provided on the next page.

Mean Scale Scores Corresponding to the 85th Percentile of National School Norms

The top 15 percent of schools are those schools that score at or above the 85th percentile of schools administering a particular test. For the test identified under “Test Name,” the tables below provide

- the mean (average) scale score that corresponds to the 85th percentile in national **school** norms (Column 1), and
- the percentile equivalent of that mean scale score in national **student** norms (Column 2)

for each grade (3 and above) in which school norms are available.

The cutoff scores provided in Column 1 are provided for only one specific subtest score in reading and one specific subtest score in mathematics (look under “Score Name”). These subtest scores were identified by the publisher as providing the most comprehensive coverage of reading that includes reading comprehension and the most comprehensive coverage of mathematics.

The school should examine its testing results and find the mean (average) scale score in reading and mathematics in each grade tested. If these results **equal or exceed** the mean scale score that corresponds to the 85th percentile in national school norms in Column 1 **for both reading and mathematics in every grade** tested in the **most recently completed school year**, this will be considered sufficient evidence that the school is in the top 15 percent of all schools nationally.

If the school’s testing results do not include mean scale scores, but they do include the national percentile equivalent of the mean scale score **based on student norms**, compare these results to the national student percentile equivalent for the 85th school percentile in Column 2. If these results **equal or exceed** the national student percentile equivalent in Column 2 **for both reading and mathematics in every grade** tested in the **most recently completed school year**, this will also be considered sufficient evidence that the school is in the top 15 percent of all schools nationally.

For tests that have only one set of cutoff scores, assume that these represent a spring administration. For tests that provide cutoff scores for multiple times of the year (e.g., fall, winter, or spring), the cutoff scores are provided in different columns for each time of year. If a school administered during the fall or winter a test that has only spring cutoff scores, the school may either use the comparison based on the spring norms or contact the publisher for comparable information based on norms for the appropriate time of year.

READING

Test Name: Iowa Assessments		Form(s): E,F,G		Score Name: Reading	
Publisher: Riverside Publishing				Norming Year: 2011 & 2017	
	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)	
Grade	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	
3	188	198	73	71	
4	205	215	72	70	
5	220	229	70	69	
6	235	244	70	70	
7	249	258	71	72	
8	263	271	72	72	
9	275	283	73	75	
10	286	291	74	75	
11	293	298	75	75	
12	300	304	74	75	

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: Iowa Assessments		Form(s): E,F,G		Score Name: Mathematics	
Publisher: Riverside Publishing				Norming Year: 2011 & 2017	
	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)	
Grade	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	
3	186	196	72	69	
4	203	215	71	72	
5	222	231	72	70	
6	237	247	70	71	
7	252	260	70	69	
8	265	272	70	69	
9	277	282	71	68	
10	286	292	70	70	
11	295	299	70	69	
12	301	304	69	69	

READING

Test Name: SAT – 10 th Edition	Form(s): A,D	Score Name: Total Reading
Publisher: Pearson Education		Norming Year: 2002,2007
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)	Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (2002) * (Column 2)
3	642	71
4	662	77
5	678	81
6	685	74
7	691	70
8	696	67
9	705	67
10	715	64
11	731	71
12	746	81

* See note 1 about 2018 norms for this test on the first page of this document.

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: SAT – 10 th Edition	Form(s): A,D	Score Name: Total Mathematics
Publisher: Pearson Education		Norming Year: 2002,2007
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)	Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (2002)* (Column 2)
3	625	67
4	650	77
5	669	78
6	683	76
7	696	78
8	704	76
9	711	73
10	717	72
11	719	72
12	723	74

* See note 1 about 2018 norms for this test on the first page of this document.

READING

Test Name: Terra Nova 3/NEXT		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Reading	
Publisher: DRC/CTB				Norming Year: 2017	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)		Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	
3	633	642	71	65	
4	650	659	71	70	
5	661	672	66	68	
6	673	681	69	71	
7	685	686	72	69	
8	692	700	72	74	
9	698	703	68	72	
10	705	709	66	69	
11	711	714	64	65	
12	720	721	65	64	

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: Terra Nova 3/NEXT		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Mathematics	
Publisher: DRC/CTB				Norming Year: 2017	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)		Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	
3	607	631	70	69	
4	638	653	71	67	
5	656	671	67	69	
6	675	685	67	65	
7	687	697	67	70	
8	705	713	71	73	
9	712	714	67	65	
10	715	716	60	57	
11	728	732	58	59	
12	737	737	59	57	

READING

Test Name: SAT 2017		Form(s): N/A	Score Name: Reading Test
Publisher: College Board		Norming Year:	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)	Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)	
3			
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12	32	NOT PROVIDED	

* See note 3 about the SAT 2017 on the first page of this document.

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: SAT 2017		Form(s): N/A	Score Name: Math Section
Publisher: College Board		Norming Year:	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)	Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)	
3			
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12	610	NOT PROVIDED	

* See note 3 about the SAT 2017 on the first page of this document.

READING

Test Name: ACT		Form(s): N/A	Score Name: Reading
Publisher: ACT		Norming Year: 2024	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)	Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)	
3			
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12	22.5	67	

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: ACT		Form(s): N/A	Score Name: Mathematics
Publisher: ACT		Norming Year: 2024	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)	Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)	
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12	20.8	67	

READING

Test Name: PreACT 8/9, PreACT, or PreACT Secure		Form(s): N/A	Score Name: Reading
Publisher: ACT		Norming Year: 2024	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85 th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)	Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85 th School Percentile (Column 2)	
3			
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6			
7			
8	20.3	72	
9	20.8	70	
10	22.1	71	
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12			

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: PreACT 8/9, PreACT, or PreACT Secure		Form(s): N/A	Score Name: Mathematics
Publisher: ACT		Norming Year: 2024	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85 th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)	Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85 th School Percentile (Column 2)	
3			
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8	17.9	79	
9	18.5	83	
10	19.4	82	
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12			

READING

Test Name: CTP 5		Form(s): N/A	Score Name: Reading Comprehension
Publisher: ERB			Norming Year: 2024
Grade*	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)		Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)
	Fall	Spring	
3	NOT PROVIDED	485	72
4	485	535	73
5	535	557	69
6	557	609	69
7	609	655	70
8	655	663	79
9	663	670	71
10	670	670	65
11	670		
12			

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: CTP 5		Form(s): N/A	Score Name: Mathematics
Publisher: ERB			Norming Year: 2024
Grade*	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)		Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)
	Fall	Spring	
3	---	392	75
4	392	464	74
5	464	503	72
6	503	589	71
7	589	615	70
8	615	632	70
9	632	684	83
10	684	684	80
11	684	---	
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* The publisher provided cutoff scores for test levels instead of grades. Since schools are advised to administer each test level to the matching grade in the spring and to the next higher grade level in the fall, the cutoff scores for each grade in the fall are identical to the cutoff scores in the spring for the previous grade. For example, a school testing in the spring of grade 3 would use the same cutoff score as a school testing in the fall of grade 4.

READING

Test Name: MAP Growth		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Reading Total		
Publisher: NWEA				Norming Year: 2020		
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring
3	194	201	205	67	67	69
4	204	210	212	67	68	67
5	212	216	218	68	67	67
6	218	221	223	68	67	68
7	222	225	226	68	69	68
8	226	229	230	68	69	69
9	229	230	231	70	69	69
10	230	232	232	68	70	68
11	232	233	233	68	68	67
12	233	234	235	68	68	68

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: MAP Growth		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Mathematics Total		
Publisher: NWEA				Norming Year: 2020		
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring
3	195	203	208	69	69	69
4	206	213	218	67	68	68
5	217	223	227	70	70	69
6	223	228	232	70	69	70
7	229	233	236	69	69	69
8	235	238	241	70	70	70
9	237	239	241	70	70	70
10	240	242	243	71	70	69
11	243	244	245	71	69	69
12	245	245	246	71	69	68

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Test Name: MAP Growth		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Mathematics Total		
Publisher: NWEA				Norming Year: 2020		
	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
Grade	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring
3	193	203	211	69	69	69
4	204	214	223	67	68	68
5	215	224	230	70	70	69
6	220	228	235	70	69	70
7	228	234	238	69	69	69
8	235	240	245	70	70	70
9	238	241	244	70	70	70
10	241	245	247	71	70	69
11	245	248	251	71	69	69
12	247	249	252	71	69	68

READING

Test Name: Performance Series		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Reading		
Publisher: Scantron				Norming Year: 2015-16		
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring
3	2476	2602	2665	69	69	68
4	2692	2786	2833	70	64	69
5	2827	2896	2917	70	64	67
6	2891	2966	2990	63	67	65
7	3009	3049	3082	68	68	69
8	3054	3098	3115	65	66	65
9	3104	3132	3157	69	71	70
10	3100	3099	3144	65	60	65
11	3146	3166	3164	66	65	64
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MATHEMATICS

Test Name: Performance Series		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Math		
Publisher: Scantron				Norming Year: 2015-16		
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring
3	2315	2399	2470	68	69	67
4	2467	2528	2599	72	72	74
5	2560	2605	2674	71	68	69
6	2648	2721	2788	71	73	72
7	2740	2791	2836	68	68	66
8	2846	2877	2923	73	70	70
9	2961	2979	3020	79	80	81
10	2810	2867	2913	66	66	70
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ALGEBRA

Test Name: Performance Series		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: High School Algebra		
Publisher: Scantron				Norming Year: 2013-14; 2014-15		
	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
Grade	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring
9-12	5403	5448	5479	67	70	74

GEOMETRY

Test Name: Performance Series		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: High School Geometry		
Publisher: Scantron				Norming Year: 2013-14; 2014-15		
	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
Grade	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring
9-12	5431	5465	5496	65	65	71

READING

Test Name: STAR		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Reading – Unified Scale		
Publisher: Renaissance Learning				Norming Year: 2024		
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring
3	969	988	1006	65	65	65
4	1014	1027	1040	65	65	65
5	1045	1055	1065	66	66	66
6	1072	1080	1088	66	66	66
7	1092	1099	1105	67	67	67
8	1110	1116	1122	67	67	67
9	1109	1113	1116	61	61	61
10	1119	1122	1125	60	60	59
11	1127	1129	1131	60	60	60
12	1130	1130	1130	60	60	60

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: STAR		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Math – Unified Scale		
Publisher: Renaissance Learning				Norming Year: 2024		
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring
3	946	972	998	66	66	65
4	996	1020	1044	65	65	65
5	1040	1058	1076	67	65	63
6	1069	1082	1096	65	65	65
7	1091	1102	1112	65	66	66
8	1109	1118	1127	66	66	66
9	1101	1108	1115	60	60	60
10	1113	1119	1125	60	60	60
11	1121	1126	1131	61	61	61
12	1124	1128	1131	63	64	64

READING

Test Name: CLT, CLT10, CLT3-8		Form(s): N/A	Score Name: Verbal Reasoning and Grammar (combined)
Publisher: Classic Learning Initiatives		Norming Year: 2024	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)	Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)	
3	241	NOT PROVIDED	
4	239		
5	245		
6	246		
7	247		
8	247		
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10	58 (CLT10)		
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12	58 (CLT)		

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: CLT, CLT10, CLT3-8		Form(s): N/A	Score Name: Quantitative Reasoning
Publisher: Classic Learning Initiatives		Norming Year: 2024	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)	Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)	
3	237	NOT PROVIDED	
4	237		
5	241		
6	240		
7	240		
8	241		
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10	27 (CLT10)		
11			
12	26 (CLT)		

READING

Test Name: i-Ready® Diagnostic		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Reading Overall	
Publisher: Curriculum Associates				Norming Year: 2024	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)		Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	
K	356	415	70	68	
1	415	473	68	65	
2	473	519	62	64	
3	515	549	62	65	
4	549	574	63	63	
5	574	593	63	62	
6	592	605	61	60	
7	606	618	60	60	
8	618	628	59	59	

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: i-Ready® Diagnostic		Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Mathematics Overall	
Publisher: Curriculum Associates				Norming Year: 2024	
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)		Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Spring	Fall	Spring	
K	348	384	67	69	
1	381	414	66	66	
2	408	437	66	64	
3	433	462	63	66	
4	456	482	65	68	
5	474	495	68	65	
6	488	506	64	67	
7	498	514	62	66	
8	508	522	65	66	

READING

Test Name: Exact Path Diagnostic			Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Reading	
Publisher: Edmentum				Norming Year: 2022-23		
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring
3	992	1034	1057	65	68	65
4	1047	1083	1103	63	66	67
5	1096	1119	1136	66	66	66
6	1124	1148	1160	66	66	66
7	1142	1166	1181	66	67	68
8	1173	1200	1208	69	67	66
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11						
12						

MATHEMATICS

Test Name: Exact Path Diagnostic			Form(s): N/A		Score Name: Mathematics	
Publisher: Edmentum				Norming Year: 2022-23		
Grade	School Mean Scale Score at 85th Percentile of National School Norms (Column 1)			Student Percentile Equivalent for the 85th School Percentile (Column 2)		
	Fall	Winter	Spring	Fall	Winter	Spring
3	896	941	983	64	67	65
4	960	1001	1040	63	68	67
5	1020	1053	1089	66	68	68
6	1052	1089	1121	67	68	73
7	1093	1127	1154	68	71	70
8	1130	1168	1193	71	72	68
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