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Student Name: **Demo Student**  
 PA Student ID: **1234567890**  
 Service Provider: **Demo Provider**  
 School: **Demo School**  
 Test date: **Spring 2017**  
 Grade: **4**

Student Results Performance Summary				
	Emerging	Novice	Proficient	Advanced
Reading: Tier 1			✓	
Mathematics: Tier 2		✓		
Science: Tier 2			✓	

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**What is the PASA?**  
 The Pennsylvania Alternate System of Assessment (PASA) is a statewide alternate assessment designed for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities who are unable to participate meaningfully in the Pennsylvania State Assessment System (PSSA) or Keystone Exams, even with accommodations. The PASA is administered by your child's teacher or other certified professional in a one to one setting. The test is a series of multiple-choice questions presented with pictures. Your child can select their answer choice by pointing, answering aloud, or other response method using their typical communication system. There are two tiers of the PASA available at each grade, and each tier varies in the level of support provided within the question and answer choices. Tier 2 is the more difficult level. Tier 1 is less difficult. For more information on the PASA see *A Parent Guide to the Pennsylvania Alternate System of Assessment* available at [www.pattan.net](http://www.pattan.net).

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child participated in the Pennsylvania Alternate System of Assessment (PASA) in the spring of 2019. Federal law requires all students to participate in a state assessment. This test was designed specifically as an alternate assessment for students whose IEP team determined that the requirements for participation were met. Students must meet six eligibility criteria in order to participate in the PASA.

The PASA is aligned to grade level PA Core Standards in English Language Arts (Reading and Writing) and Mathematics and the PA Academic Standards in Science but is less complex because it has been reduced in depth, breadth, and complexity making it appropriate for students with significant cognitive disabilities. The PASA English Language Arts and Math are administered in grades 3-8 and 11, and PASA Science is administered in grades 4, 8 and 11.

Please remember that scores on the PASA are just a single snapshot of your student's performance on a very specific set of test items at one point in time. We hope you will use the information in this report to discuss your student's performance with his/her teacher. A strong partnership between home and school is critical to your student's success.

Sincerely,  
 Carole L. Clancy  
 Director, Bureau of Special Education

- 1** **Your Student's Information:** Here you will find your student's name, ID number, service provider, date of testing, and grade.
- 2** **Your Student's Results:** Here you will find your student's performance level in reading, mathematics, and science, including the tier of the test taken.
- 3** **What is the PASA?** Here you will find a brief description of the PASA.
- 4** **Would you like more information?** Here are two websites which provide more information about the PASA.

2019 PASA STUDENT SCORE REPORT

**Performance Levels and Profile**

Your child receives a score based upon the number of items answered correctly on the first attempt. Students may also have a second opportunity to answer the item by receiving a second prompt. The number of items the student is able to answer correctly with the second prompt provides teachers and parents with important information about performance. Each subject area score is translated into an overall performance level of *Advanced*, *Proficient*, *Novice* or *Emerging*.

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**Advanced:** Using their primary mode of communication, appropriate supports and accommodations, the *Advanced* student demonstrates a consistent academic awareness and excellent understanding of the knowledge, skills and processes as outlined by the Pennsylvania Alternate Eligible Content and tier designation.

**Proficient:** Using their primary mode of communication, appropriate supports and accommodations, the *Proficient* student demonstrates an essential academic awareness and satisfactory understanding of the knowledge, skills and processes as outlined by the Pennsylvania Alternate Eligible Content and tier designation.

**Novice:** Using their primary mode of communication, appropriate supports and accommodations, the *Novice* student demonstrates an improving academic awareness and partial understanding of the knowledge, skills and processes as outlined by the Pennsylvania Alternate Eligible Content and tier designation.

**Emerging:** Using their primary mode of communication, appropriate supports and accommodations, the *Emerging* student demonstrates a preliminary academic awareness and limited understanding of the knowledge, skills and processes as outlined by the Pennsylvania Alternate Eligible Content and tier designation.

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**What does each Performance Level mean?** Here you will find a description of each performance level.

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**Your Student's Performance Profile:** Here you will find the total number of items your student got correct on each test, including the writing portion of the ELA test.

**PASA PERFORMANCE PROFILE**

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	Tier	Correct	Correct with Extra Prompt	Incorrect	No Response
ELA-Reading		7	13	6	4
ELA-Writing*					
Math					
Science					

\* A small subset of writing items are embedded in the English Language Arts assessment. This section shows how your student performed on items specific to writing.



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**Performance Levels and Scaled Score**

A scaled score shows your child's score on the PASA that is standard for all students taking the alternate assessment. Scaled scores for PASA range from 200 to 600 across both tiers of the assessment for each subject area. The tables below show how your child performed in each subject area and the average score for students who participated in the same test.

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PASA-Reading Performance Level – Tier 2				
400	495	500	565	600
EMERGING	NOVICE	PROFICIENT	ADVANCED	
↑ 529				
Your student's score is indicated by the (↑). The average score of all students who took this test in 2018-2019 was 528. Test scores are an estimate of your child's performance. If your student were to take the test again under similar circumstances, his or her scale score would most likely stay in the following range: 520-536.				

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PASA-MATH Performance Level – Tier 1				
200	265	300	355	400
EMERGING	NOVICE	PROFICIENT	ADVANCED	
↑ 298				
Your student's score is indicated by the (↑). The average score of all students who took this test in 2018-2019 was 298. Test scores are an estimate of your child's performance. If your student were to take the test again under similar circumstances, his or her scale score would most likely stay in the following range: 274-312.				

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PASA-SCIENCE Performance Level – Tier 2				
400	450	500	590	600
EMERGING	NOVICE	PROFICIENT	ADVANCED	
↑ 532				
Your student's score is indicated by the (↑). The average score of all students who took this test in 2018-2019 was 487. Test scores are an estimate of your child's performance. If your student were to take the test again under similar circumstances, his or her scale score would most likely stay in the following range: 517-547.				



[www.education.pa.gov](http://www.education.pa.gov)  
[www.pasaassessment.org](http://www.pasaassessment.org)

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**Your Student's Tier:** Here you will find the tier test your student took for each content area.

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**Your Student's Scale Score:** Here you will find your student's scale score for each content area.

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**Average Score and Standard Error of Measurement:** Here you will find the average scale score for all students taking this same test as well as the standard error of measurement. The standard error of measurement tells you the range of scores in which your student's score would fall if they were to take a different version of the test.