

# FACT SHEET: **ACADEMIC INDICATOR**

This measure of student performance is part of the new **California School Dashboard**, a new website, that parents/guardians, educators and the public can use to see how districts and schools are meeting the needs of California students based on a concise set of measures. The Dashboard shows performance data under California's new accountability system which differs significantly from the former Academic Performance Index API.

This Academic Indicator graphs student performance at the district level on assessments of **English Language Arts**. The graph calculates student performance in **grades 3-8** in 2015-16 on

the CAASPP assessment of ELA and the **change in scores** between 2014-15 and 2015-16.

Students' scale scores are compared to the fixed point of the "standard met" for his/her grade level. The distance results are averaged to produce a district-level average scale score. The results will show, on average, the needed improvement to bring the average student to Level 3 or the extent to which the average student exceeds Level 3.

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