

2025-2026 STUDENT PERFORMANCE LEVEL CUT SCORES										
The following charts contain the cut scores that define Novice, Apprentice, Proficient and Distinguished on the Kentucky Summative Assessments (KSA) and Alternate Kentucky Summative Assessments (AKSA).										
Scale Score to Performance Level						Total Score to Performance Level				
Grade 3 - KSA						Grade 3 - AKSA				
Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished		Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished
Reading	400-499	500-512	513-527	528-600		Reading	150-191	192-206	207-221	222-250
Mathematics	400-504	505-520	521-541	542-600		Mathematics	150-191	192-205	206-220	221-250
Grade 4 - KSA						Grade 4 - AKSA				
Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished		Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished
Reading	400-502	503-515	516-530	531-600		Reading	150-190	191-205	206-223	224-250
Mathematics	400-506	507-520	521-542	543-600		Mathematics	150-192	193-204	205-218	219-250
Science	700-782	783-807	808-823	824-900		*Science*	350-392	393-406	407-422	423-450
Grade 5 - KSA						Grade 5 - AKSA				
Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished		Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished
Reading	400-506	507-521	522-537	538-600		Reading	150-190	191-204	205-221	222-250
Mathematics	400-498	499-514	515-536	537-600		Mathematics	150-191	192-206	207-221	222-250
Social Studies	400-503	504-515	516-529	530-600		Social Studies	150-194	195-204	205-218	219-250
Editing and Mechanics	400-507	508-521	522-533	534-600		Editing and Mech	150-197	198-204	205-208	209-250
On-demand Writing	400-485	486-511	512-525	526-600		On-demand Writi	150-195	196-203	204-208	209-250
Grade 6 - KSA						Grade 6 - AKSA				
Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished		Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished
Reading	400-503	504-517	518-531	532-600		Reading	150-181	182-203	204-228	229-250
Mathematics	400-494	495-506	507-525	526-600		Mathematics	150-191	192-204	205-216	217-250
Grade 7 - KSA						Grade 7 - AKSA				
Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished		Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished
Reading	400-500	501-511	512-525	526-600		Reading	150-189	190-204	205-224	225-250
Mathematics	400-495	496-504	505-521	522-600		Mathematics	150-193	194-202	203-212	213-250
Science	700-784	785-802	803-822	823-900		*Science*	350-394	395-407	408-422	423-450
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Scale Score to Performance Level					Total Score to Performance Level				
Grade 8 - KSA					Grade 8 - AKSA				
Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished	Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished
Reading	400-503	504-514	515-527	528-600	Reading	150-187	188-205	206-226	227-250
Mathematics	400-494	495-504	505-523	524-600	Mathematics	150-196	197-201	202-209	210-250
Social Studies	400-502	503-513	514-527	528-600	Social Studies	150-189	190-204	205-219	220-250
Editing and Mechanics	400-503	504-516	517-532	533-600	Editing and Mech	150-192	193-206	207-221	222-250
On-demand Writing	400-476	477-498	499-531	532-600	On-demand Writi	150-194	195-204	205-215	216-250
Grade 10 - KSA					Grade 10 - AKSA				
Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished	Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished
Reading	400-500	501-512	513-528	529-600	Reading	150-190	191-207	208-226	227-250
Mathematics	400-493	494-503	504-520	521-600	Mathematics	150-192	193-202	203-214	215-250
Grade 11 - KSA					Grade 11 - AKSA				
Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished	Subject	Novice	Apprentice	Proficient	Distinguished
Science	700-790	791-804	805-822	823-900	*Science*	350-390	391-401	402-417	418-450
Social Studies	400-500	501-513	514-527	528-600	Social Studies	150-188	189-205	206-220	221-250
Editing and Mechanics	400-503	504-520	521-537	538-600	Editing and Mech	150-192	193-205	206-218	219-250
On-demand Writing	400-469	470-504	505-536	537-600	On-demand Writi	150-192	193-204	205-215	216-250
Combined Writing Performance Level for KSA (Grades 5, 8 and 11)		On-Demand Writing				Transition Attainment Record (TAR)			
		N	A	P	D				
Editing and Mechanics	N	N	A	A	P	Reading	16		
	A	N	A	P	P	Mathematics	13		
	P	A	A	P	D	Science	16		
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