

Good afternoon St. John School,

As you know, we finished up our MAP testing a few weeks ago. The MAP, as a review, is the standardized assessment that we give students in kindergarten through grade 8. It is an adaptive assessment that provides us with excellent data. Over the past few weeks, we have been reviewing this data on a school, class, and individual level. Today, I want to share with you an overview of St. John School. There is a report in the system that shows how each of our grades did compared to grade level national norms. Basically, it averages all the individual MAP scores in a single grade and compares that to averages from the same grade across the country. This is done by test subject (Math, Reading, Language Usage) and allows for a comparison on a national level.

As we would expect, St. John School achieved at an astronomical level. These numbers are shown as percentiles. A percentile basically tells you what percent of individuals/grades an individual/grade scored higher than. For example, the 99th percentile means that the individual/grade scored better than 99% of individuals/grades who took the test, or to put it another way, the individual/grade scored in the top 1%. For a reference, the 50th percentile would be average – half scoring above and half scoring below.

Attached is an overview of St. John School for the Fall 2022 testing period. Every grade and subject scored at or above the 86th percentile, the vast majority (88%) scored at or above the 90th percentile, many (40%) scored at or above the 95th percentile, and a few (12%) scored in the 99th percentile.

I think data like this is important to share. It is only one single piece of data, but it demonstrates a part of the rigorous curriculum and high expectations that teachers have at St. John School. It also shows the hard work and perseverance that each of our students put in every day. And finally, it reflects all the hard work and dedication that you as parents put into your children's education and our home-school partnership. So, thank you and join me in celebrating St. John School!

As is our general policy, we will share individual student MAP scores in the spring when it shows more clearly an academic year of growth and achievement. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Chris