

Dear Parents:



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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

I am pleased to provide you with information about your child's performance on the 2011 Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) exam. The annual PSSA is a standards-based assessment used to measure a student's attainment of the academic standards while also determining the degree to which school programs enable students to attain academic proficiency.

For additional information about the PSSA, visit the Pennsylvania Department of Education's website at *Education.state.pa.us*, or contact your child's school.

Sincerely,

Ronald J. Tomalis
Secretary of Education

Student Name:	SD
PA Student ID:	*****
School:	GILLESPIE ELIZ D MS
District:	PHILADELPHIA CITY SD
Test Date:	Spring 2010
Grade:	8

MATHEMATICS		
How did SD perform OVERALL?		
Performance Level: Advanced	PSSA Score: 1705	
Your student's score is indicated by the ↑. If your student were to test again, his or her score would likely remain in the following range: 1632–1778.		
How did SEPTEMBER perform by REPORTING CATEGORY?		
Reporting Categories	Student's Points	Total Points Possible
Numbers and Operations	12	15
Measurement	8	10
Geometry	13	14
Algebraic Concepts	18	19
Data Analysis and Probability	14	14

WRITING		
How did SD perform OVERALL?		
Performance Level: Basic	PSSA Score: 1140	
Your student's score is indicated by the ↑. If your student were to test again, his or her score would likely remain in the following range: 1103–1177.		
How did SEPTEMBER perform by REPORTING CATEGORY?		
Reporting Categories	Student's Points	Total Points Possible
Composition	40	80
Informational	20	40
Persuasive	20	40
Revising and Editing	12	20
Informational	2	4
Persuasive	2	4
Multiple Choice	8	12

READING		
How did SD perform OVERALL?		
Performance Level: Advanced	PSSA Score: 1612	
Your student's score is indicated by the ↑. If your student were to test again, his or her score would likely remain in the following range: 1526–1698.		
How did SEPTEMBER perform by REPORTING CATEGORY?		
Reporting Categories	Student's Points	Total Points Possible
Comprehension and Reading Skills	15	22
Interpretation and Analysis of Fictional and Nonfictional Text	25	30

SCIENCE		
How did SD perform OVERALL?		
Performance Level: Proficient	PSSA Score: 1408	
Your student's score is indicated by the ↑. If your student were to test again, his or her score would likely remain in the following range: 1352–1464.		
How did SEPTEMBER perform by REPORTING CATEGORY?		
Reporting Categories	Student's Points	Total Points Possible
The Nature of Science	26	34
Biological Sciences	9	11
Physical Sciences	7	12
Earth and Space Sciences	9	11

Note that the performance level line graphs are not drawn to scale because some performance levels have more scaled score points than others. Additionally, the graphs do not display the actual percentage of students in each performance level.