Grades 5 and 8
Statewide Science Assessment
Statewide Comparison Report
2012 to 2015

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1 In spring 2012, the statewide science assessment was administered for the first time, and results were reported as equivalent scores in order to maintain consistent expectations for student performance during the transition year. The 2012 scores have been converted, or retrofitted, to the established score scale so that stakeholders and the general public are able to see what the results would have been if the score scale and Achievement Levels had been approved and implemented at that time.

2 Percentages may not add to 100 or the percentage passing due to rounding.

3 On January 21, 2014, the State Board of Education established passing scores for the statewide science assessment, as required by Section 1008.22(3), Florida Statutes. Although state law does not require students to pass the statewide science assessment in order to move to the next grade level, the State Board has established the minimum score in Achievement Level 3 as the passing score.