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USD 329 Mill Creek Valley Students Exceed on State Assessment Scores – Achieve Standard of Excellence

Official results are in for the State Assessments and USD 329 had a great showing this year. Of all the students in the district, 90.4% passed the Reading test and 92.0% passed the Math test. Both results exceed the requirements for Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) set by the No Child Left Behind Act, which set minimums of 86.0% and 82.3% respectively. Furthermore, these were the highest scores ever for USD 329 since the current testing format was adopted in 2003. Across the state, more than 27% of school districts failed to meet AYP.

While AYP is set by the Federal Government, the state of Kansas also awards a Standard of Excellence. This is awarded at each grade level and to buildings as a whole and requires some students to achieve the highest levels of scores on the test as well as having very few students scoring in the lowest levels. In USD 329, each grade level tested (3rd through 8th and high school) and every building met the Standard of Excellence in both Reading and Math!