

2020-21 Assessment Files Interpretation Guidance

To better navigate the 2020-21 assessment files, please review the guidance below.

Definitions

- **Enrolled** counts include the number of tested and non-tested records. Enrolled counts include all students enrolled to take the test, regardless of test completion.
- **Tested** counts are the number of students that participated in the test.
- **Valid test** counts are the number of students that completed enough of the test to receive a valid score.
- **MSAA:** The Multi-State Alternate Assessment (MSAA) are ELA and mathematics assessments designed for students with significant cognitive disabilities in grades 3–8 and grade 11.

Frequently Asked Questions

Why would each test/grade have different enrolled numbers?

There are many cases where student enrollment counts in a grade might differ across subjects. For example, alternative tests are not included in these data, and some students may use general education tests in some subjects and alternative tests in others.

What is the difference between "*" and "*"?**

- The * is used if the number of valid tests is below 10.
- The ** suppression hides percentages (% Below, % Approaching, etc.) below 1% or above 99%.

Additional Questions?

Please reach out to TNED.Accountability@tn.gov for additional information.