## 2014-15 Assessment Results

SMARTER BALANCED ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS AND MATHEMATICS

## Smarter Balanced

- Assesses the Common Core content standards in English language arts (ELA) and Mathematics
- Includes both computer adaptive test items and performance tasks.
- Constructed response items better allow students to demonstrate their critical thinking and problem solving skills.
- Students are assigned performance levels of 1 to 4.
- Level 3 is designed to represent college and career readiness.


## State Participation Rates

- The state as a whole met the $94.5 \%$ participation rate target for (ELA) and for mathematics.
- The Black/African American and Students with Disabilities student groups did not meet the target.
- High school rates were about 10\% lower than usual.
- The state is working with districts to improve participation rates in 2015-16.


## State Participation Rates

| Participation by Grade |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Grade(s) | ELA | Math |
| 3 | 97.0 | 96.9 |
| 4 | 97.7 | 97.5 |
| 5 | 97.5 | 97.2 |
| 6 | 97.2 | 97.1 |
| 7 | 96.9 | 96.6 |
| 8 | 96.2 | 95.9 |
| 11 | 88.9 | 87.4 |
| All | 95.9 | 95.5 |

## Participation by Subgroup

| Grade(s) | ELA | Math |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Economically Disadvantaged | 96.8 | 96.4 |
| English Learner | 98.3 | 98.1 |
| Students with Disabilities | 93.6 | 93.2 |
| American Indian/AK Native | 95.9 | 95.4 |
| Asian | 97.1 | 96.6 |
| Black/African American | 93.4 | 92.6 |
| Hispanic/Latino | 97.4 | 97.1 |
| Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | 97.1 | 96.7 |
| White | 95.5 | 95.1 |
| Multi-racial | 95.3 | 94.8 |

## State Achievement on Smarter Balanced

- Overall the state did better than anticipated, based on the results from the 2013-14 field test.
- At most grade about 10\% higher than the consortium field test.
- High school mathematics was the only point where we were lower than expectations.
- Percentage of students at Level $3 / 4$ was higher for ELA than for mathematics, especially at high school.
- Data continue to show persistent achievement gaps between student groups.


## English Language Arts Results



## Math Results



## Achievement by Subgroup



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## Comparing State Data

- Many states in the consortium have reported state results on Smarter Balanced, including Washington, Idaho, and California.
- The data are not entirely comparable.
- State rules for including students in the calculation can vary.
- Some states gave paper-pencil, some were fully online, some delivered a mix.
- Data are for comparative purposes only and should not be inferred as a formal ranking of states, due to reporting rule differences.


## Grade 4 English language arts



## Grade 8 English language arts



## Grade 4 Mathematics



## Grade 8 Mathematics



## Questions?

