

Arizona Assessment Science (AzSCI)

AzSCI Reporting Guide

Grades, 5, 8, and 11





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Introduction

Arizona Science (AzSCI) Test

The Arizona Science (AzSCI) test is the statewide assessment that measures student proficiency of the Arizona Science Standards, which were adopted by the Arizona State Board of Education in 2018. This test is administered each spring as an online test to all students enrolled in grade 5, grade 8, and the 11th grade cohort.

AzSCI Scores

Students will receive a scale score for AzSCI, and student performance is reported as one of four performance levels:

Level 1–Minimally Proficient, Level 2–Partially Proficient, Level 3–Proficient, and **Level 4–Highly Proficient**. Students who score at **Level 1–Minimally Proficient** or **Level 2–Partially Proficient** are likely to need support to be ready for the next grade. Students who score at **Level 3–Proficient** or **Level 4–Highly Proficient** are likely to be ready for the next grade.

There are three reporting categories that describe the knowledge and skills assessed. Student performance on reporting categories is reported as one of three levels of mastery: **Below Mastery**, **At/Near Mastery**, or **Above Mastery**. Students who score "Below Mastery" demonstrated performance in the reporting category that was clearly below Proficient. Students who score "At/Near Mastery" demonstrated performance in the reporting category that was exactly at or immediately above/below Proficient. Students who score "Above Mastery" demonstrated performance in the reporting category that was clearly "Proficient" or higher.

AzSCI Online Reports

AzSCI reports for educators are online reports in the PearsonAccess^{next} platform, which can be accessed at https://az.pearsonaccessnext.com.

The following reports and student data file will be accessible in PearsonAccess^{next} based on the user's role:

- District-level user roles—District Reports (in PDF format), Student Data File (in .txt format), and AzSCI Summary File (in .txt format):
 - AzSCI Confidential Roster Report with Summary (School-level, student roster by grade level; for grades 5, 8, and the 11th grade cohort only) (in PDF format)
 - AzSCI District Confidential Roster Report with Summary (District-level, student roster by grade level; for grades 5, 8, and the 11th grade cohort only) (in PDF format)
 - AzSCI Student Data File (in .txt format)
 - Summary performance data: AzSCI Summary File (in .txt format)
- School-level user roles—School Student Reports and Rosters (in PDF format) and AzSCI Summary File (in .txt format):
 - AzSCI Student Report (individual student reports, by grade level) (in PDF format)
 - AzSCI Informe del Estudiante (individual student reports, by grade level, in Spanish) (in PDF format)
 - AzSCI Confidential Roster Report with Summary (School-level, student roster by grade level; for grades 5, 8, and the 11th grade cohort only) (in PDF format)
 - Summary performance data: AzSCI Summary File (in .txt format)

AzSCI Confidential Roster Report with Summary

The AzSCI Confidential Roster Report with Summary of students' performance level in each scoring category displays for a specified grade level a student roster that includes each student's:

- name
- date of birth (DOB)
- state-issued identification number (SSID)
- scale score
- performance level
- mastery level for each reporting category

The "Mean Scale Score" and "Students with Valid Results" will display at the top of the AzSCI Confidential Roster Report with Summary.

The "Summary by Performance Level" table will also display on this report and will include the following details at the grade level:

- scale score ranges: Level 1–Minimally Proficient, Level 2–Partially Proficient, Level 3–Proficient, and Level 4–Highly Proficient
- number (#) of students in each scale score range
- percentage of students in each performance level (based on number (#) of students in each scale score range)

AzSCI Student Report (Individual Student Report)

The AzSCI Student Report is an individual student report that contains the following information for each student:

- name
- administration year and grade level
- state-issued identification number (SSID)
- date of birth (DOB)
- school name
- district name
- Overall Results-Student scale score obtained
 - Average scale scores for the school, district, and state are also displayed for comparison. The
 layout of horizontal bars assigned to these scale scores are similar to the horizontal bar assigned
 to the individual student's scale score to allow for visual comparison.
- Performance Level Description—Student performance level obtained is shown along with a description of the performance level.
- Science and Engineering Practices and Crosscutting Concepts Reporting Categories
- Student performance/mastery level obtained for each reporting category

AzSCI Paper Reports-Confidential Student Score Report and AzSCI Family Report Guide

AzSCI paper reports are shipped to districts after the end of a testing administration. The following reports are packaged by School and shipped to the District. Two copies of each AzSCI Confidential Student Score Report will be provided. One copy must be provided to the student's family (along with the AzSCI Family Report Guide). One copy is for the student's cumulative folder.

The AzSCI Confidential Student Score Report is a one-page, two-sided report. Each report includes results for one student. The report includes the student's identification information, scale score, performance level, and mastery level for each reporting category. Average scale scores for school, district, and state are also displayed for comparison. The layout of horizontal bars assigned to these scale scores are similar to the horizontal bar assigned to the individual student's scale score to allow for visual comparison.

The AzSCI Family Report Guide is a one-page, two-sided document, with English on one side and Spanish on the other. The guide helps parents interpret their student's AzSCI Confidential Student Score Report.

Online Reporting Platform-PearsonAccess^{next}

Educators will access the AzSCI online reports via PearsonAccess^{next}. Only authorized district and school personnel may access score reports in PearsonAccess^{next} since they contain confidential student information. Access to the score reports in PearsonAccess^{next} requires an appropriate user role.

- District-level user roles provide access to all school-level reports for schools within the district, all district-level reports, and all *AzSCI Student Reports* (individual student reports) for students who tested in the district. District-wide electronic "Student Data Files" and "Summary Files" with summary performance data are also available for downloading from PearsonAccess^{next}.
- School-level user roles provide access to all school-level reports and all AzSCI Student Reports
 (individual student reports) for students who tested in the school. A school electronic "Summary
 File" (in .txt format) with summary performance data is also available for downloading from
 PearsonAccessnext.

Assigning user roles in PearsonAccess^{next} must be done with care to ensure that student privacy is protected.

AzSCI Online Reports in PearsonAccess^{next}

AzSCI reports have been designed with the reader's comprehension in mind. The goal of these reports is not only to deliver accurate assessment data, but to ensure it is correctly interpreted and understood by the audience. To this end, similar colors are used for groups of similar elements, such as performance levels, throughout the design. This design strategy guides the reader to compare like elements and avoid comparison of dissimilar elements.

All score report data are based on the total number of students whose tests have been scored. Score report data in PearsonAccess^{next} is considered preliminary. PearsonAccess^{next} is not the system used for accountability purposes. All score report data in PearsonAccess^{next}, except for individual students' score reports, can be disaggregated into testing groups, if these were set up by the school during the specified time frame.

The AzSCI Student Report (individual student report) will include the average scale scores for the school, district, and state to allow for visual comparison.

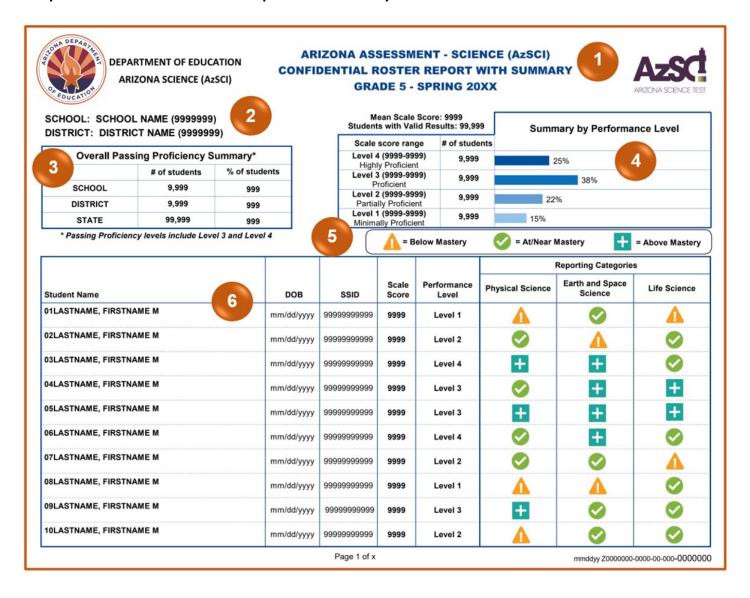
The school and district-level electronic score reports (in **PDF** format) and district-wide electronic student data files (in **.txt** format) are available for downloading from PearsonAccess^{next}. All District Test Coordinators are urged to download and securely store these electronic records.

AzSCI Sample Reports

AzSCI Confidential Roster Report with Summary

The AzSCI Confidential Roster Report with Summary displays for a specified grade and is a student roster that includes each student's: name, date of birth (DOB), state-issued identification number (SSID), scale score, performance level, and mastery level for each reporting category. Average scale scores for school, district, and state are displayed for comparison.

Sample AzSCI Confidential Roster Report with Summary



- **Report Name**—The name of the score report and specified grade are displayed on the top of the report.
- **School and District Information**—The school name and code (entity ID number), as well as the district name and code (entity ID number), are displayed.
- Overall Passing Proficiency Summary Table-This table includes number (#) of students and percentage (%) of students at the school, district, and state level. Passing proficiency levels include "Level 3" and "Level 4."
- Summary by Performance Level Table—This table includes mean scale score and students with valid test results associated with students in this grade level. This table will also display the scale score ranges, the number of students at each performance level, and the percentage for each performance level.
 - Performance Levels—Student performance is reported as one of four performance levels. Students who score at "Level 1—Minimally Proficient" or "Level 2—Partially Proficient" are likely to need support to be ready for the next grade. Students who score at "Level 3—Proficient" or "Level 4—Highly Proficient" are likely to be ready for the next grade.

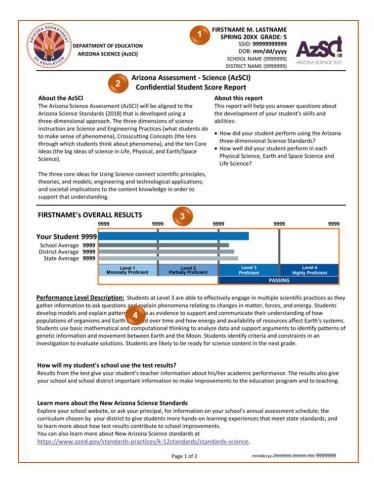
5 Legend–Mastery Levels:

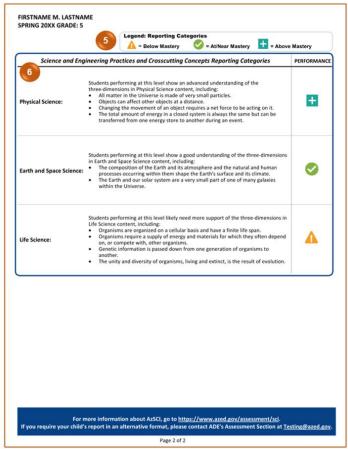
- Mastery Levels—Student performance on reporting categories is reported as one of three levels of mastery. Students who score " = Below Mastery" demonstrated performance in the reporting category that was clearly below Proficient. Students who score " = At/Near Mastery" demonstrated performance in the reporting category that was exactly at or immediately above/below Proficient. Students who score " = Above Mastery" demonstrated performance in the reporting category that was clearly "Proficient" or higher.
- 6 Report Table—The grade level specific detail report table will contain the following information:
 - **Student Name**—The name of the student you are viewing.
 - DOB—The date of birth of the student you are viewing.
 - SSID—The student's state-issued identification number.
 - Scale Score
 The score of each student who completed the test.
 - **Performance Level**—The performance level classification associated with the student's score for the test.
 - **Reporting Categories**—The student's mastery level in each of the reporting categories for the specific test being reviewed.

AzSCI Confidential Student Score Report (Individual Student Report)

The AzSCI Confidential Student Score Report (individual student report) displays a student's identification information, scale score, performance level, and mastery level for each reporting category. Average scale scores for the school, district, and state are displayed for comparison.

Sample AzSCI Confidential Student Score Report (pages 1 and 2)





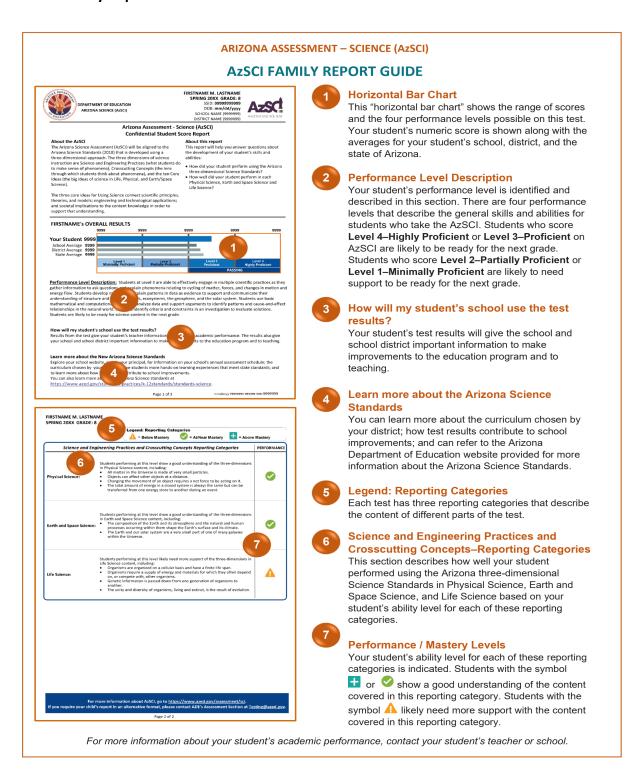
- Report Data (top of page 1)—The student's full name, test administration year, specified grade, state-issued identification number (SSID), date of birth (DOB), school name and code (entity ID number), and district name and code (entity ID number) are displayed.
- Report Name—The name of the score report is displayed on the top of the report. The sections "About the AzSCI" and "About this Report" will help answer questions about the development of the student's skills and abilities.

- 3 Student Overall Results Table—This table will contain the following:
 - Student's First Name-The name of the student you are viewing.
 - Scale Score—The scale score this student received on the selected test.
 - **Performance Level**—The performance level classification associated with the student's score for the test. Student performance is reported as one of four performance levels. Students who score at "Level 1—Minimally Proficient" or "Level 2—Partially Proficient" are likely to need support to be ready for the next grade. Students who score at "Level 3—Proficient" or "Level 4—Highly Proficient" are likely to be ready for the next grade.
 - Comparison Scores—The average scale scores for the school, district, and state are also displayed for comparison. The layout of horizontal bars assigned to these scale scores are similar to the horizontal bar assigned to the individual student's scale score to allow for visual comparison.
- Performance Level Description—Student performance level obtained is shown along with a description of the performance level.
- Legend: Reporting Categories (Mastery Levels)—Student performance on reporting categories is reported as one of three levels of mastery. Students who score "♠ = Below Mastery" demonstrated performance in the reporting category that was clearly below Proficient. Students who score "♥ = At/Near Mastery" demonstrated performance in the reporting category that was exactly at or immediately above/below Proficient. Students who score "➡ = Above Mastery" demonstrated performance in the reporting category that was clearly "Proficient" or higher.
- Science and Engineering Practices and Crosscutting Concepts Reporting Categories Table—This table includes each of the reporting categories being assessed: Physical Science, Earth and Space Science, and Life Science; descriptions of what was assessed in each reporting category; and the student's performance/mastery level in each reporting category.

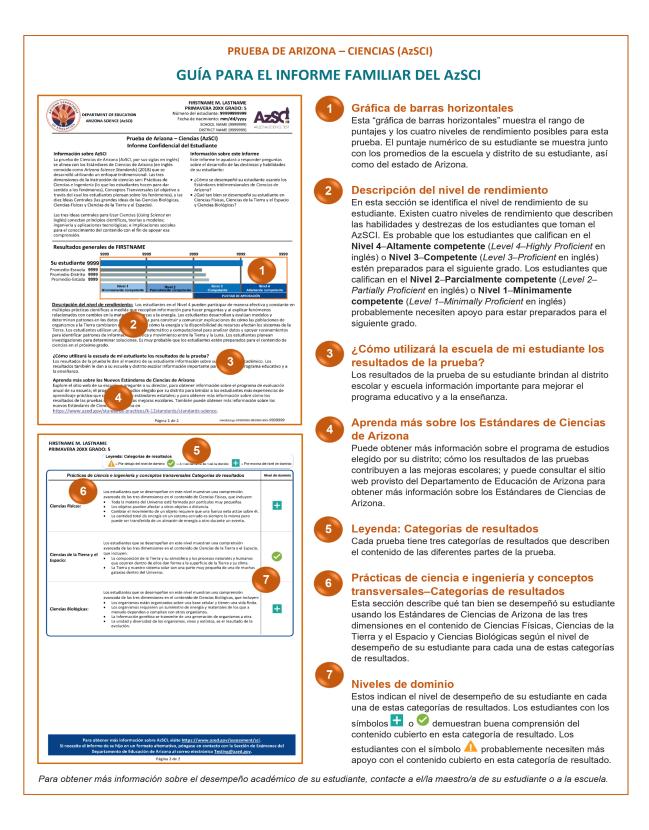
AzSCI Family Report Guide

The AzSCI Family Report Guide is provided to help parents interpret and use information contained in their student's AzSCI Confidential Student Score Report. This guide is provided in both English and Spanish.

Sample AzSCI Family Report Guide



Sample AzSCI Family Report Guide (in Spanish)



How To Log In to PearsonAccess^{next}, View Online Reports, and Access AzSCI Student Data File Layout

Access to the online reports and data depends on user roles in the PearsonAccess^{next} platform and the school and district associations. For more information on creating and managing user roles in PearsonAccess^{next}, please refer to the *PearsonAccess^{next} User Guide*, available at **https://az.pearsonaccessnext.com**.

How to Log In to PearsonAccess^{next}

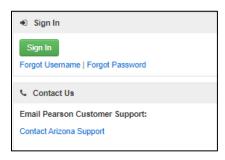
To log in to PearsonAccess^{next}, you must have an authorized username and password. If you have not yet received your login information, contact your School Test Coordinator or District Test Coordinator as you will need to be added to PearsonAccess^{next} before you can access the online reports.

To log in to PearsonAccessnext:

1. Open your web browser and navigate to the PearsonAccess^{next} platform (https://az.pearsonaccessnext.com).



2. Click on the green **Sign In** button that is located on the right side of the Home Page. The **Login** page appears.



3. Enter your Username (email address) and password on the Login page.



4. Click on the blue **Login** button. You will be logged into PearsonAccess^{next} provided you have entered the correct login credentials.



Note: Your Username will be your email address. Passwords must be reset each year. If you forgot your password, use the "Forgot Password" link to have the password reset.

If you have questions about PearsonAccess^{next}, or for trouble logging in, contact 1-888-705-9421 (option 1 for AzSCI), Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. CST, except holidays.

For email support, please select the **Contact Arizona Support** link under the **Contact Us** section of the **Home Screen**.

How To Access, Download, and Print Online Score Reports, Summary Files, and Student Data Files

The following reports will be made available to both the School-level and District-level users in PearsonAccess^{next}:

- AzSCI Student Report (in **PDF** format)
- AzSCI Informe del Estudiante ("AzSCI Student Report" in Spanish) (in PDF format)
- AzSCI Confidential Roster Report with Summary (School-level report by grade level) (in PDF format)
- AzSCI Summary File (School and District level summary file with summary performance data) (in .txt format)

Note: The AzSCI District Confidential Roster Report with Summary (District-level report by grade level in **PDF** format) and AzSCI Student Data File (in .txt format) will be available at the District-level only.

When you first log in to PearsonAccess^{next}, the **Home Screen** is displayed.

How to view the online reports:

- 1. Select the Test Administration in the black task bar across the top of the screen. This will open the Test Administration dropdown menu.
- 2. From the **Test Administration** dropdown menu, select the corresponding dropdown option for the test administration year and program: **Spring YYYY Program Name**.
- 3. On the black task bar across the top of the screen, select the **Organization Name**. This will open the Organization dropdown menu.
- 4. To search for reports, on the **Organization** dropdown menu:
 - School-level users should select the **School** radio button to search for their school reports.
 - District-level users should select the **District** radio button to search for all schools' reports and student data files assigned to their district.
- 5. To view information for a specific school, select the school name from the list of schools in the dropdown menu. You can also enter the school name in the Search box.

Note: District-level users can leave the Organization Name as their District name and use the reporting filters on the **Published Reports screen**, detailed later in this section, to search for specific school reports and student data files.

6. Go to **REPORTS**, select **Published Reports**.

- 7. On the **Published Reports** screen, there are two ways to find reports.
 - Enter search information into the **Find Reports** filter.
 - Enter search information into the Filters section.
 - Organization Type (select School or District, as applicable)
 - Organization Name (type in the partial or full school name)

Note: Your assigned organization will be automatically populated in this filter. If your assigned organization is at the district-level, remove this filter selection to see school-level reports.

- Published Report Date Range (mm/dd/yyyy)
- 8. You can download and view one or multiple reports. To download a single report or student data file (District-level only), select the hyperlink **File Name**.
- 9. To download multiple reports or student data files (District-level only), check box(es) left of the file name and then select **Download**.

Note: The selected reports will download to your computer. Print or save using your computer's print function. Depending on the number of reports selected, the download may occur as a zip file, and you will need to extract the files.

Understanding the Student Data File and Reporting Categories by Grade Level

After retrieving the "Student Data File" from PearsonAccess^{next}, the **Excel** or **CSV** file will contain standard columns. For support in understanding the information provided in the "Student Data File" columns, the *AzSCI Student Data File Layout* will be available. This layout will list all of the columns included in the "Student Data File" along with a description of the information contained in each column.

Note: The District-level and School-level users will have access to view and download the *AzSCI Student Data File Layout* in PearsonAccess^{next}: https://az.pearsonaccessnext.com.

Reporting Categories by Grade Level

A table with the AzSCI Reporting Categories by grade level is displayed.

Subject	Grade	Reporting Category	Sort Order
Science	5, 8, and the 11 th grade cohort	Physical Science	1
		Earth and Space Science	2
		Life Science	3