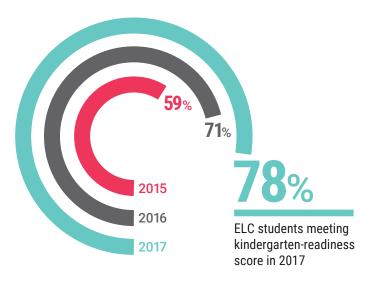
MISSISSIPPI SUCCEEDS

Mississippi raised academic standards for pre-K through the 12th grade in recent years and has implemented aggressive reform efforts to raise student achievement. As a result, the key indicators of academic success have been on a steady, upward trajectory.

Three-Year Trend OF RISING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

EARLY LEARNING COLLABORATIVES

Students in Mississippi's Early Learning Collaboratives (ELC) achieve higher levels each year, with the majority completing pre-K scoring **AT OR ABOVE THE TARGET SCORE FOR EXITING PRE-K**.



Mississippi administers the ACT to all 11th graders to provide equal access to the college readiness test. The results provide a measure of how well schools are preparing students for success in college and gives schools time to provide interventions to help students increase their ACT scores in the 12th grade.

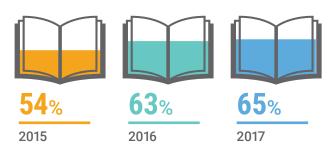


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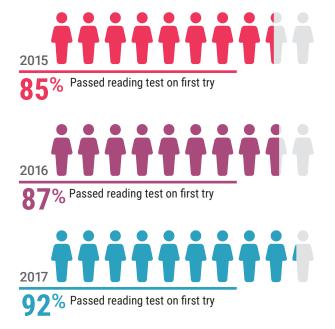
The Literacy-Based Promotion Act is helping to **INCREASE LITERACY SKILLS** among students in kindergarten through the 3rd grade.

KINDERGARTENERS

MEETING END-OF-YEAR TARGET SCORE



THIRD GRADERS



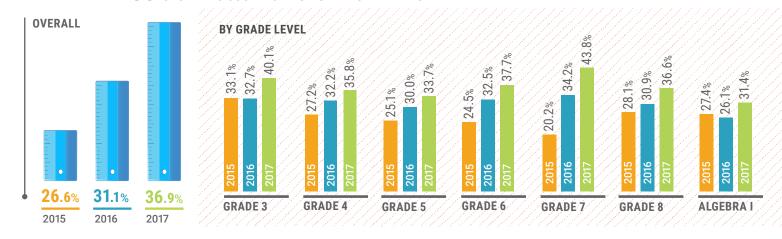
MISSISSIPPI ASSESSMENTS

Mississippi introduced new state assessments aligned to the state's more rigorous college and career ready standards in 2014-15. **OVERALL STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT IS INCREASING ANNUALLY** in both English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics and in 12 out of 14 tested subjects and grades.

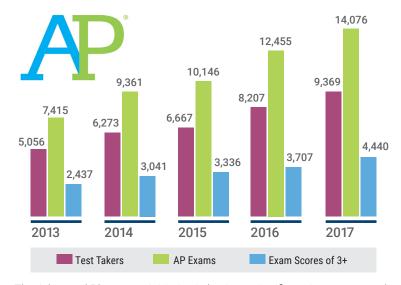
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS STUDENTS SCORING PROFICIENT OR ADVANCED



MATHEMATICS STUDENTS SCORING PROFICIENT OR ADVANCED



Five-Year Trend OF RISING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



The Advanced Placement Initiative is having a significant impact on student achievement, with number of students taking AP exams and the number of exams with a qualifying score nearly **DOUBLING SINCE 2013**.

