

Fountain Valley School District

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California State Testing Results Released: Fountain Valley School District Off to a Great Start

Fountain Valley, CA, September 10, 2015: In spring 2015, students in grades three through eight in Fountain Valley School District (FVSD), along with millions of other students in the State of California, participated in the new statewide testing program known as the California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP). These computer adaptive tests are aligned to the new standards in English language arts/literacy and math. Additionally, this is the first time in California students have taken a state test on a computer. As in years past, students in grades five and eight continued to participate in annual state assessments in science.

Once again, FVSD students performed well above county and state averages for students either meeting or exceeding standards in E/LA, math, and science. Overall 69% of students in E/LA and 63% of students in math met or exceeded standards. Additionally, 91% of FVSD middle school students, and 87% FVSD elementary students were Advanced or Proficient in science. According to the California Department of Education, individual student reports should be available sometime in late September.

Because 2015 is the first year of the new tests and because they are substantially different from their predecessors, State Superintendent of School, Tom Torlakson, said the (CAASPP) results "will serve as a baseline from which to measure future progress and should not be compared to results from the state's previous assessments, the Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) program."

Board President, Ian Collins, commented, "We are so fortunate to have such talented employees who continue to dedicate themselves to the lives of children. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I cannot thank our staff enough for their continued pursuit of excellence."

Dr. Mark Johnson, Superintendent in Fountain Valley School District stated, "These results continue to demonstrate the high level of performance students in Fountain Valley School District have historically exhibited. Our teachers, support staff, and administrators are to be commended for their efforts! The combination of a rigorous program with high expectations for all; commitment to teamwork and collaboration; and, our staff's continued willingness to learn and grow has resulted in a great start and a new baseline that we can improve upon in future years."

For more information regarding school, district, county, and statewide results visit the following websites:

Fountain Valley Website CAASPP page: http://www.fvsd.us/apps/pages/index.jsp?type=d&uREC_ID=281174&pREC_ID=826014

CAASPP/CST Test Results: http://caaspp.cde.ca.gov/sb2015/default

Full Press Release from State Superintendent of Public Education Tom Torlakson http://www.cde.ca.gov/nr/ne/yr15/yr15rel69.asp

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About the Fountain Valley School District

The Fountain Valley School District, founded in 1898, is comprised of 10 schools serving over 6,300 students from Fountain Valley and Huntington Beach. Fountain Valley School District seeks to promote a foundation for academic excellence, mastery of basic skills, responsible citizenship, and a desire by students to achieve their highest potential through a partnership with home and community. To learn more about the Fountain Valley School District, visit our website at www.fvsd.us.