ISAT Cohort Study 2011

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Goals

- Explain the ISAT Exceeds standard as it pertains to subject and grade
- O Present 2008-2011 ISAT Meets/Exceeds district scores for each grade level
- O Explain the concept of grade-level cohorts
- O Present Millburn District's performance by grade-level cohorts
- O Analyze the data using ISAT cohort data

How Does One Define Exceed?

- Typically, the "Exceeds" percentile in a norm referenced test like CAT or SAT or ACT is 90th percentile and above.
- 90th to 94th percentile is considered "Low Exceeds."
- 95th percentile and above is considered "Exceeds" to "High Exceeds"

How Does Illinois Define Exceed in Connection to ISAT?

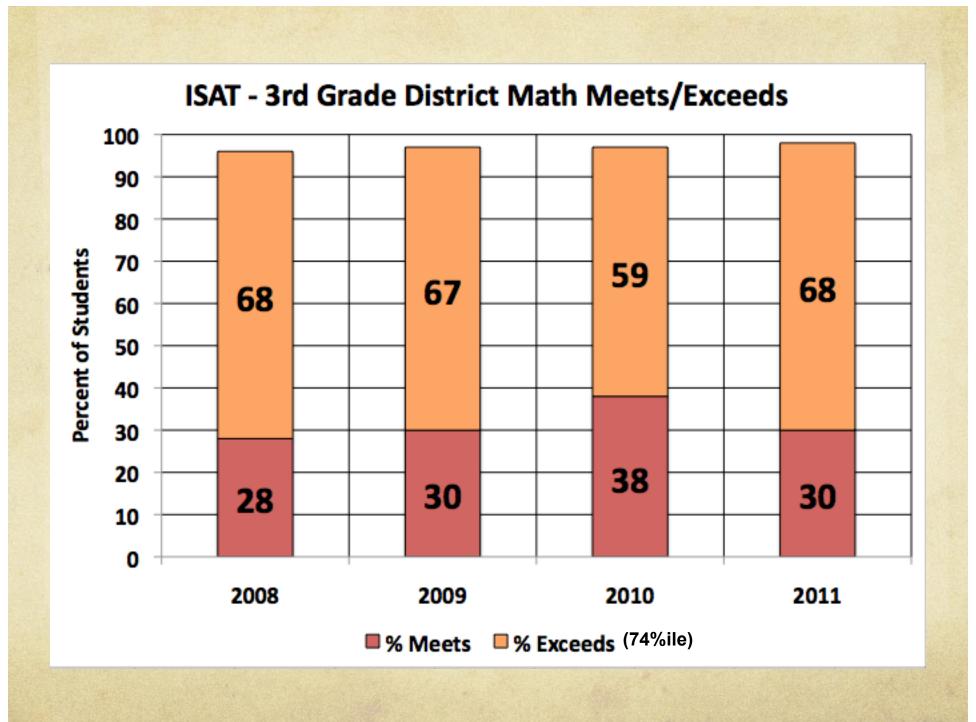
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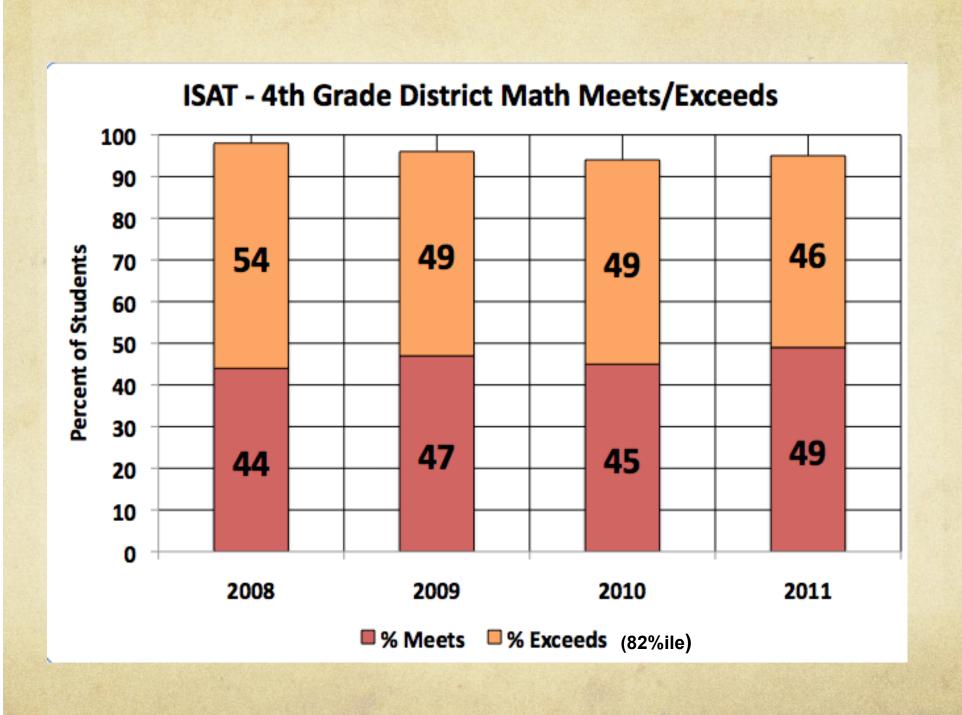
- Subject
- Grade

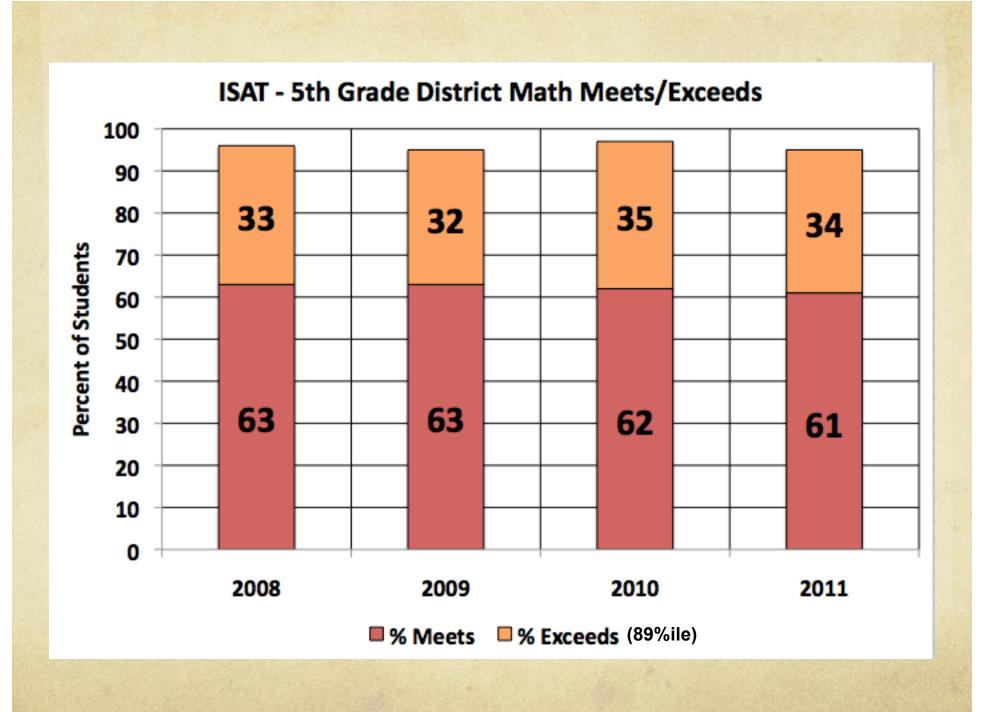
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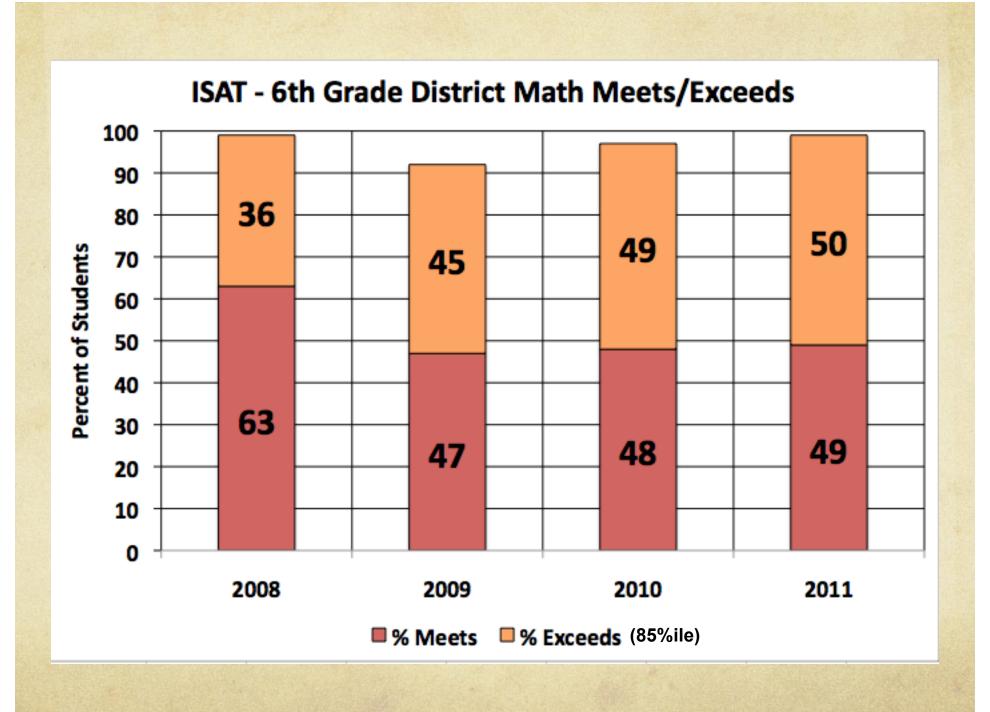
Data by Grade

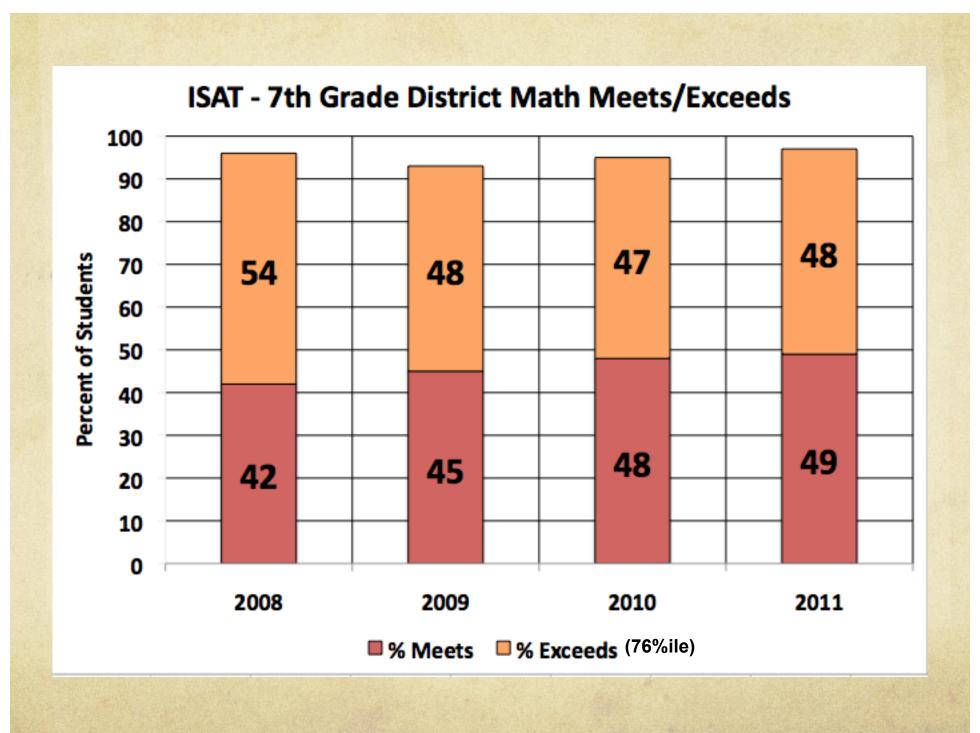
Grade Level	ISAT Mathematics Exceeds Percentile
2 nd Grade	N/A
3 rd Grade	74 th
4 th Grade	82 nd
5 th Grade	89 th
6 th Grade	85 th
7 th Grade	76 th
8 th Grade	70 th
	90%ile and above = TRUE EXCEEDS

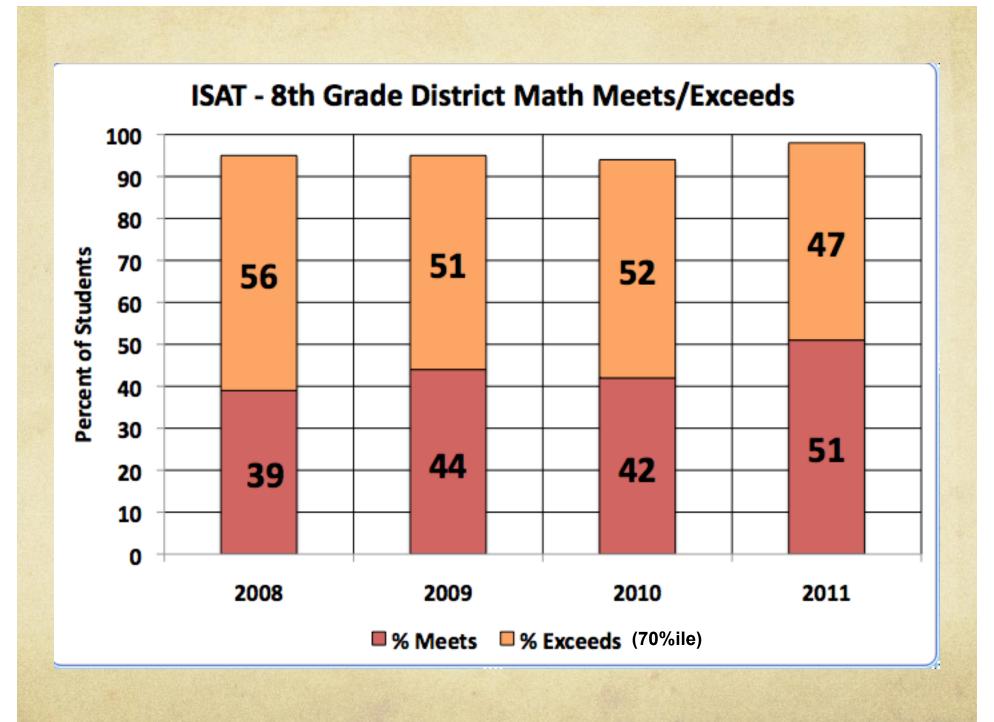




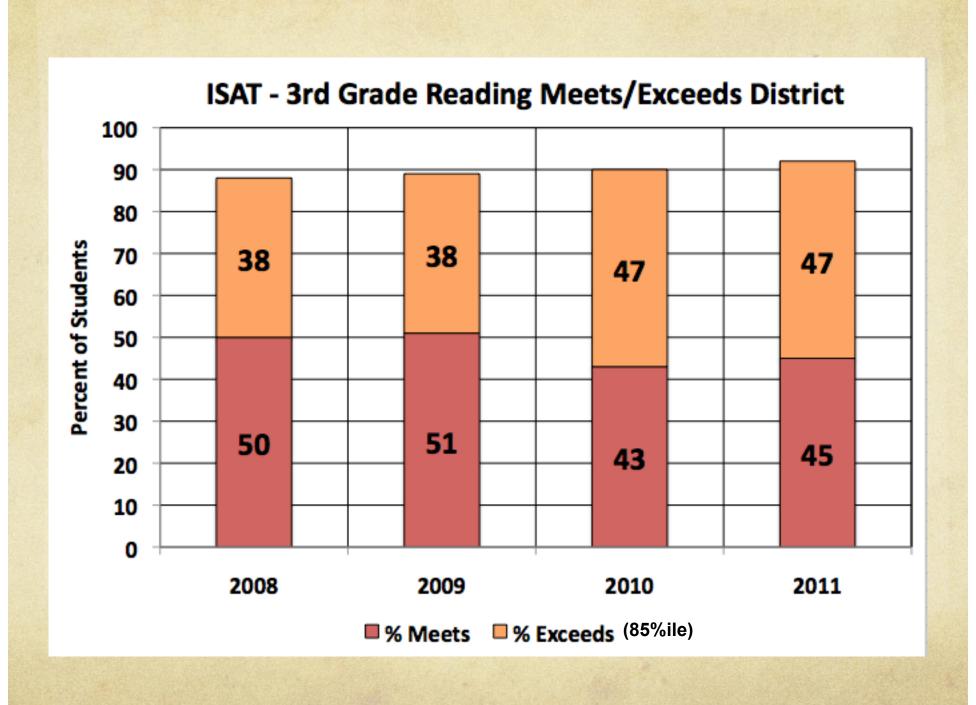


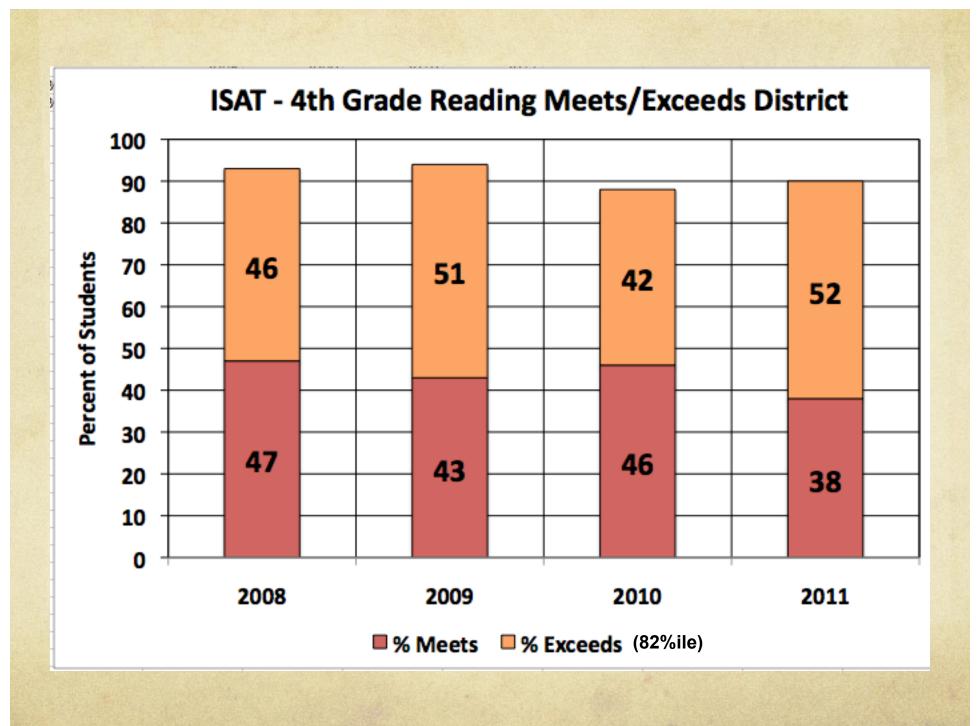


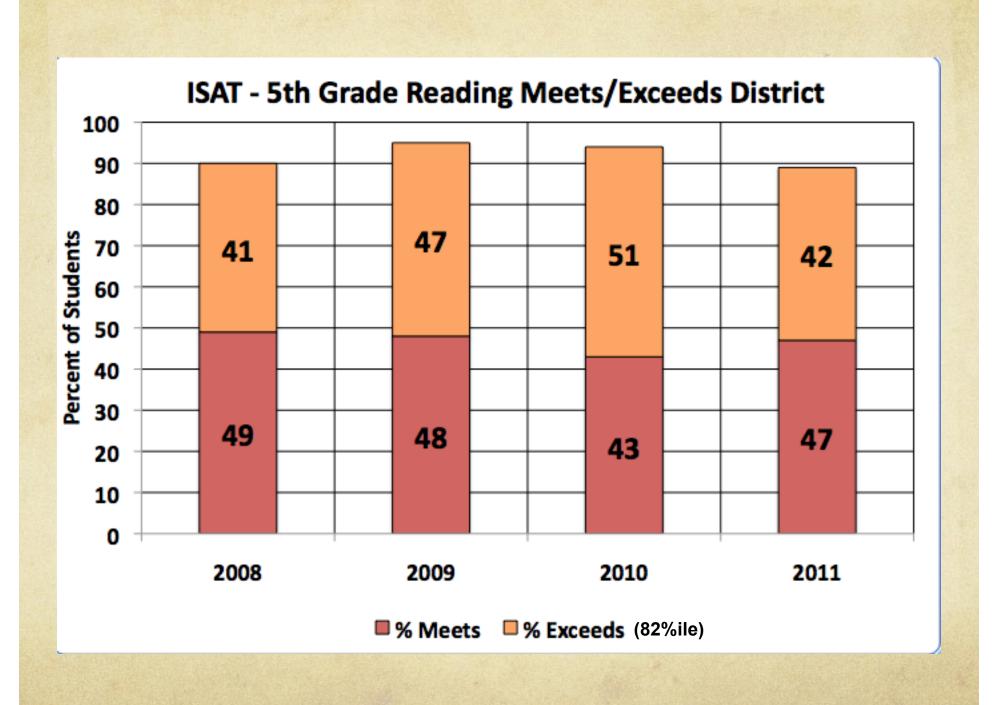


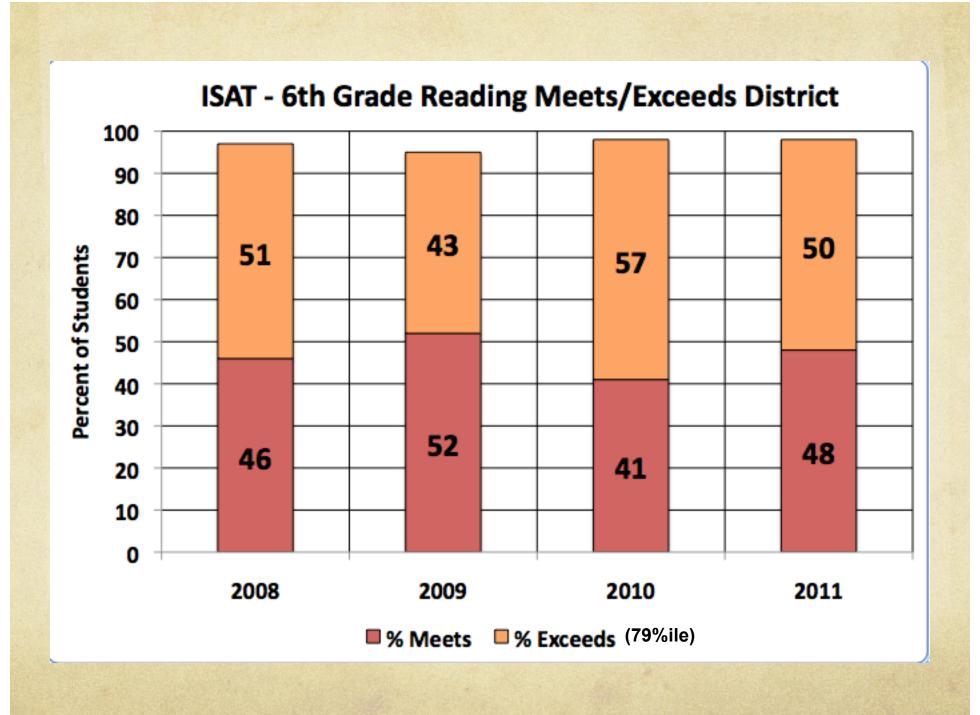


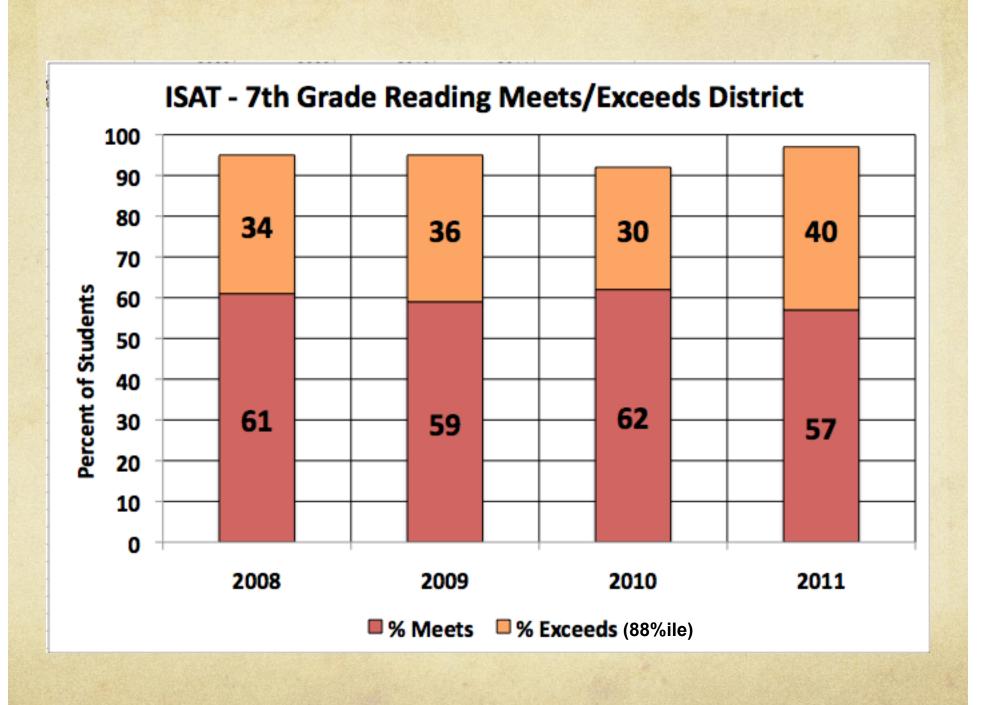
Grade Level	ISAT Reading Exceeds Percentile
2 nd Grade	N/A
3 rd Grade	85 th
4 th Grade	82 nd
5 th Grade	82 nd
6 th Grade	79 th
7 th Grade	88 th
8 th Grade	91 st
	90%ile and above = TRUE EXCEEDS

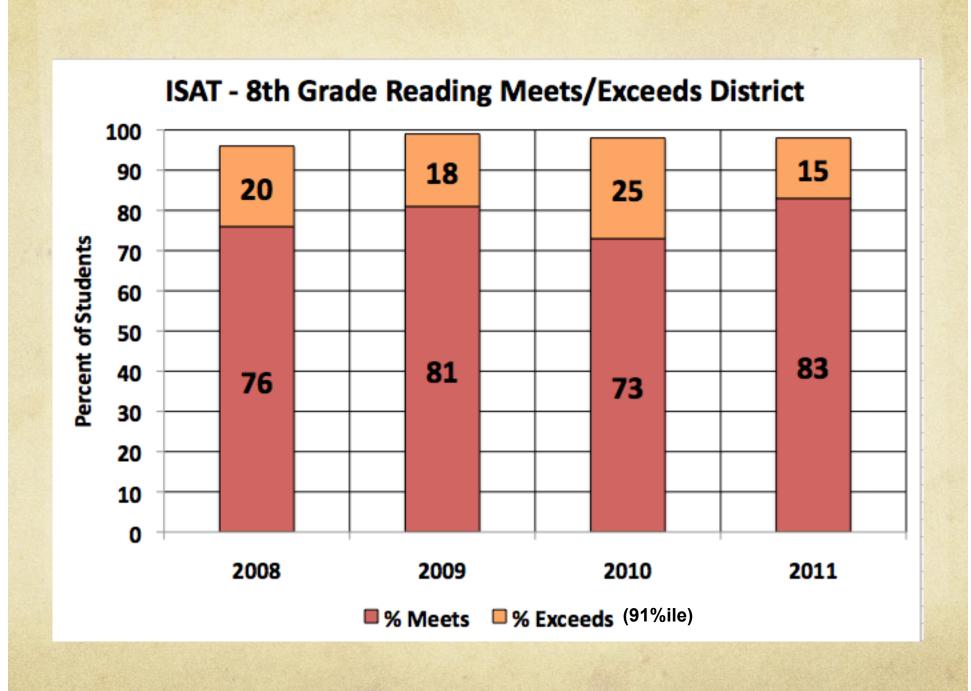












Data by Cohort

Concept of Cohorts

Dictionary Definition: A cohort is a group of individuals that have a statistical factor (age, class, grade, etc.) in common in a demographic study.

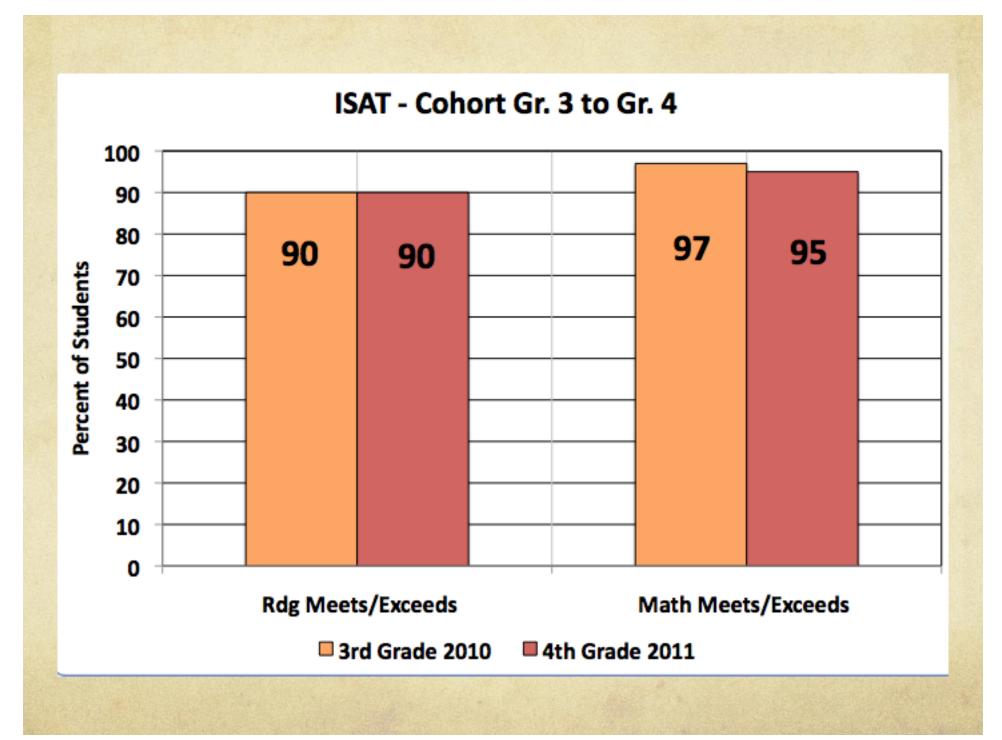
Definition for our Purpose: A cohort is a group of students whose Meets/Exceeds test results are documented over time (from 3rd grade through their grade level in Spring 2011) in the district.

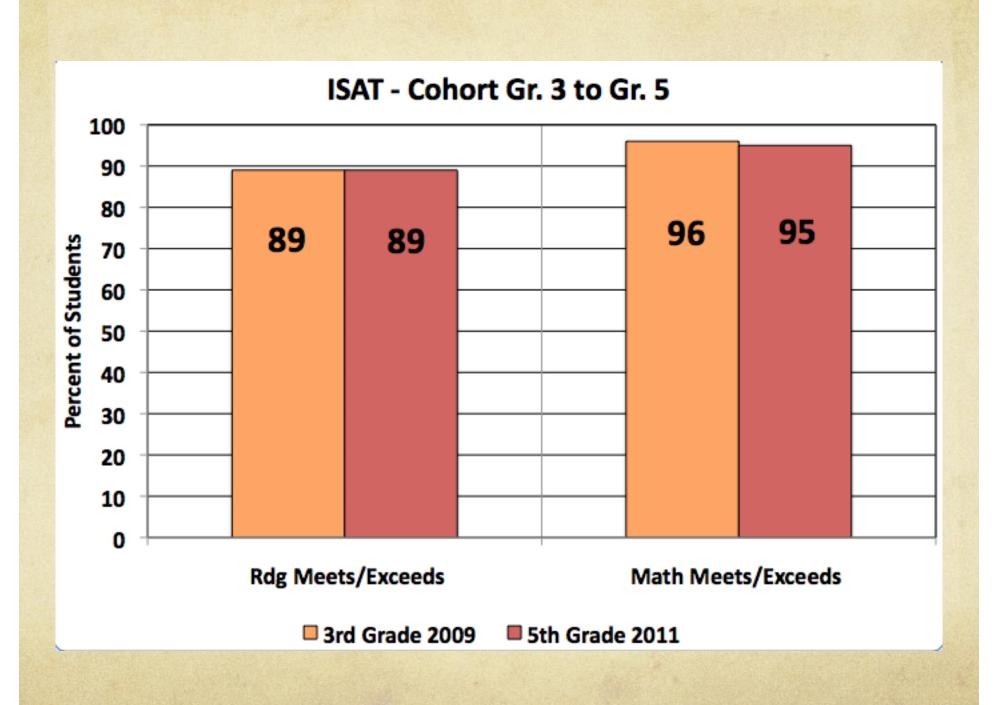
Purpose for Viewing Cohorts

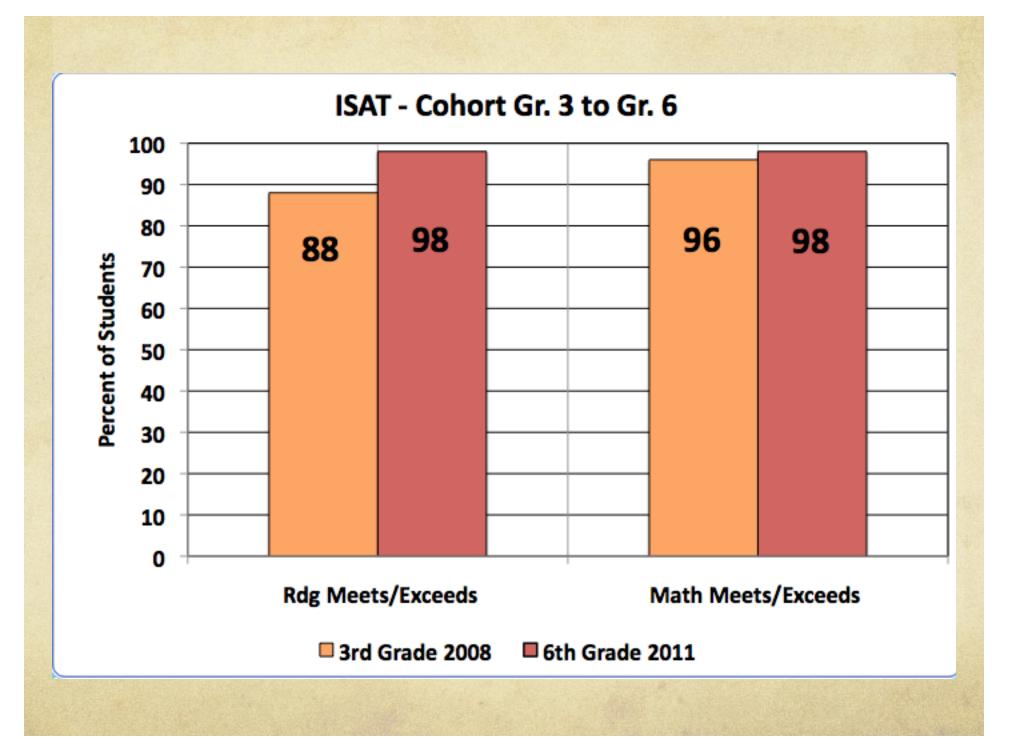
Is the success level of the students in the cohort being sustained?

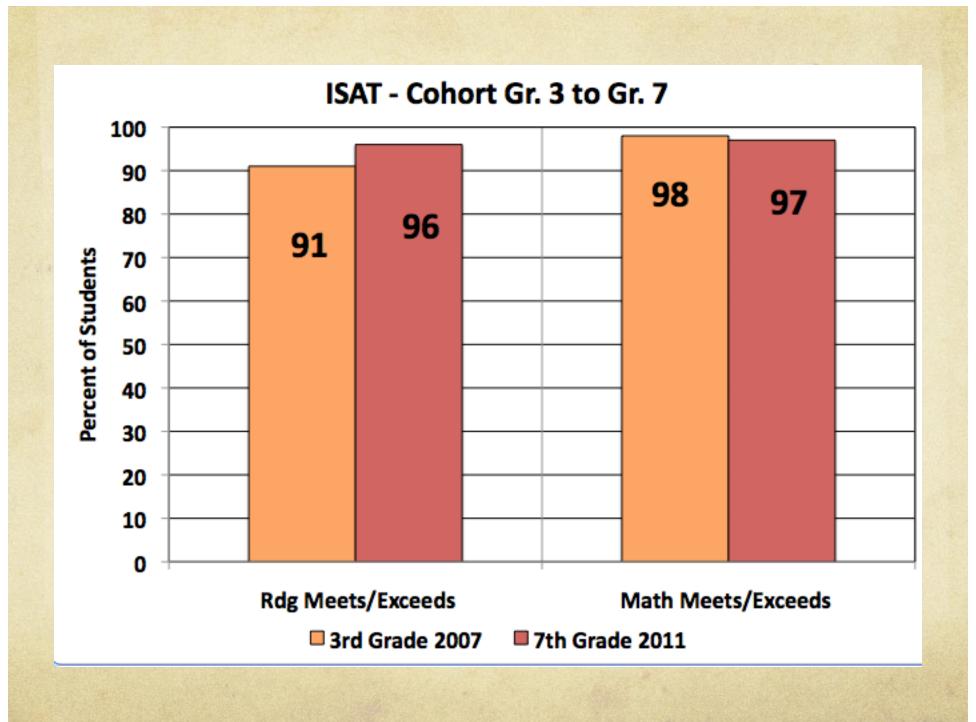
Are the students continuing to grow in their knowledge and skills over the years?

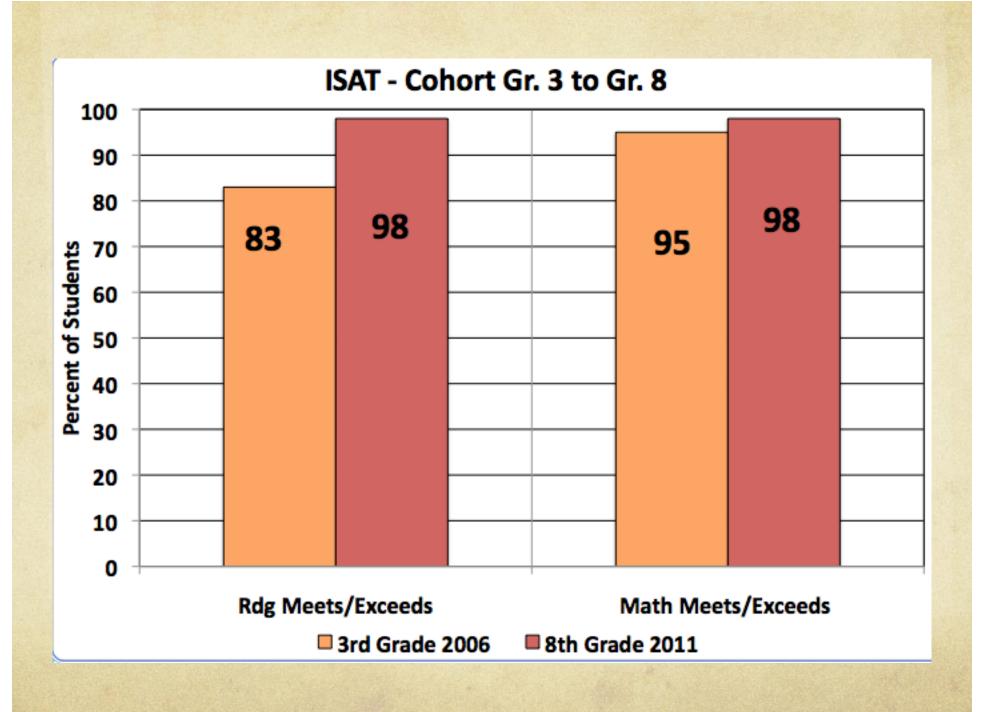
Reading and Math











How Does One Define Meets?

- Typically, the "Meets" percentile in a norm referenced test like CAT or SAT or ACT is 50th percentile and above.
- 50th to 70th percentile is considered "Low Meets."
- 70th to 80th percentile is considered "Meets;" the 80th to 89th percentile is considered "High Meets."

Meets Standards Percentile

GRADE LEVEL	READING	MATHEMATICS
3RD	35%ile	20%ile
4TH	27%ile	15%ile
5TH	32%ile	21%ile
6TH	21%ile	25%ile
7TH	20%ile	32%ile
8TH	20%ile	22%ile

50%ile and above is a "true" meets score

Conclusion

Over time, from third grade to the grade it was in when the ISAT test was given in 2011, each cohort has either generally maintained or improved their level of achievement in both math and reading (based on percent of students meeting or exceeding standards).

Comments?

Source of Data:

http://iirc.niu.edu