What are the Annual Measureable Objectives (AMOs) for growth?

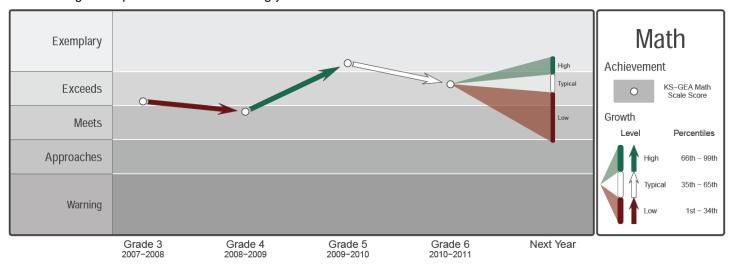


General Information

As part of its approved <u>ESEA Flexibility Request</u>, Kansas is incorporating a growth model into its accountability system. Kansas is using <u>Student Growth Percentiles</u> (SGP).

Student Growth Percentiles (SGP)

The SGP model allows educators to monitor state assessments much like a pediatrician maps a child's physical growth on a height and weight chart. SGPs give us both a criterion measure and a relative measure. We can see the student's movement across the gray bands mapping her changes in proficiency levels. In the colored arrows and the projection for the next year, we can also see her growth percentile when compared to students with similar score histories, and a realistic range of expectations for the coming year.



For example, when compared to students with similar scoring histories, the student above demonstrated low growth between 3rd and 4th grade, high growth between 4th and 5th grade, and typical growth between 5th and 6th grade.

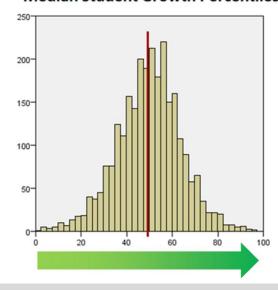
Determining Building-Level Growth

Individual student scores from a building can be grouped together and represented by a single value. A statistically robust way to represent all students within a building is to calculate a median score –the middlemost growth score from all student growth scores. The median growth score from a building is used to determine whether or not a building has made its AMO for increasing student improvement, or growth, on assessments.

AMO for Increasing Growth

To achieve the Increasing Growth AMO, a school must have a median student growth score that meets or exceeds those of half the schools in Kansas. Half of Kansas schools can achieve the Increasing Growth AMO each year. This is represented in the image to the right: Growth scores at or to the right of the red line will make the Increasing Growth AMO, while those to the left of the red line will not.

All Kansas Public Schools, Median Student Growth Percentiles



More Information

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number of buildings