



WHY ASSESS ACHIEVEMENT?



A good achievement test:

- ☑ is one component of assessment
- ☑ must be kept in perspective,
- ☑ is a tool to help educators perform the following:
 1. analyze individual student achievement
 2. report to parents/guardians
 3. identify common instructional needs
 4. plan/evaluate instructional programs
 5. analyze curriculum
 6. assess resource needs

HOW DO WE ASSESS STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT?

- WRITTEN TESTS:
 - Multiple choice
 - Fill in the blanks

 - Matching columns
 - Reading/interpreting graphs/charts
- ESSAY QUESTIONS
- LONG TERM REPORTS
- PROJECTS – LONG OR SHORT TERM
- COOPERATIVE GROUPING
- ORAL PRESENTATIONS
- TEACHER OBSERVATIONS
- STANDARDIZED TESTS



PERCENTAGE OF BISHOP FENWICK STUDENTS AT AND ABOVE THE PROFICIENT LEVEL FOR 2008

On the chart below the abbreviations* used are as follows:

Row 1 **BF** = Bishop Fenwick averages **Nat** = National averages x = skill not tested on that grade level

Row 2 **M/H** = moderate to high mastery of the skill – percentage of students achieving mastery of the skill listed in the first column

		GRADE 3		GRADE 4		GRADE 5		GRADE 6		GRADE 7		GRADE 8	
*Abbreviations: →		BF	Nat	BF	Nat	BF	Nat	BF	Nat	BF	Nat	BF	Nat
↓ Skills Tested		M/H	M/H	M/H	M/H	M/H	M/H	M/H	M/H	M/H	M/H	M/H	M/H
READING													
02	Basic Understanding	97%	82%	100%	86%	100%	87%	100%	84%	100%	82%	100%	80%
03	Analyze Text	97%	82%	100%	86%	100%	87%	100%	84%	100%	82%	100%	80%
04	Evaluate/Extend Meaning	97%	82%	100%	86%	100%	87%	100%	84%	100%	82%	100%	80%
05	Identify Reading Strategies	92%	82%	100%	86%	100%	87%	100%	84%	100%	82%	96%	80%
LANGUAGE													
07	Sentence Structure	86%	76%	96%	81%	100%	79%	100%	81%	97%	78%	92%	79%
08	Writing Strategies	89%	76%	96%	81%	100%	79%	93%	81%	100%	78%	100%	79%
09	Editing Skills	92%	76%	96%	81%	97%	79%	97%	81%	100%	78%	92%	79%
MATHEMATICS													
10	Number/Number Relations	92%	77%	100%	85%	100%	85%	100%	82%	100%	79%	96%	78%
11	Computation & Estimation	95%	77%	100%	85%	100%	85%	100%	82%	100%	79%	96%	78%
12	Operation Concepts	X	X	100%	85%	100%	85%	X	X	X	X	X	X
13	Measurement	95%	77%	100%	85%	100%	85%	100%	82%	93%	79%	88%	78%
14	Geometry & Spatial Sense	95%	77%	100%	85%	100%	85%	100%	82%	93%	79%	92%	78%
15	Data, Stats, & Problem	92%	77%	100%	85%	100%	85%	100%	82%	93%	79%	96%	78%
16	Patterns, Functions, Algebra	92%	77%	100%	85%	100%	85%	100%	82%	100%	79%	96%	78%
17	Prob. Solving & Reasoning	92%	77%	96%	85%	100%	85%	100%	82%	93%	79%	96%	78%
18	Communication	95%	77%	100%	85%	100%	85%	100%	82%	93%	79%	96%	78%
SCIENCE													
19	Science Inquiry	100%	86%	100%	88%	100%	90%	100%	89%	100%	81%	100%	79%
20	Physical Science	100%	86%	100%	88%	100%	90%	100%	89%	100%	81%	100%	79%
21	Life Science	100%	86%	100%	88%	100%	90%	100%	89%	100%	81%	100%	79%
22	Earth & Space Science	100%	86%	100%	88%	95%	90%	100%	89%	100%	81%	96%	79%
23	Science & Technology	100%	86%	X	X	100%	90%	X	X	97%	81%	100%	79%
24	Personal & Social Pers	X	X	100%	88%	97%	90%	100%	89%	100%	81%	X	X
SOCIAL STUDIES													
26	Geographic Perspectives	97%	87%	100%	89%	97%	89%	97%	89%	100%	89%	100%	86%
27	History & Culture	97%	87%	100%	89%	97%	89%	100%	89%	100%	89%	100%	86%
28	Civics & Government	97%	87%	100%	89%	95%	89%	100%	89%	100%	89%	100%	86%
29	Economic Perspectives	97%	87%	100%	89%	95%	89%	100%	89%	100%	89%	100%	86%