Shakopee Schools FAST Screener Parent Overview

What is the purpose of the FAST Screeners?

The FAST aMath and aReading are assessments given with three main purposes:

- Lets students and parents know current achievement level in a subject area
- Indicates student growth in a subject area
- Signifies to teachers and grade level teams which students might need additional supports or supplemental curriculum

What's a screener?

Assessment given to students that measures broad abilities in math and reading. This is a quick check we give to all of our students in 1st through 5th grades in the fall, winter, and spring.

How does it help my child?

By giving teachers regular feedback about broad reading and math achievement, your child's teacher can monitor student progress from one year to the next and from one season to the next in order to best provide each student with what they need.

What do these scores mean?

aMath scores range from 150-250 and aReading scores range from 350-750. The scores are compared to all students who took the same test in the same season during the same grade level to provide a percentile. Shakopee Schools considers students who consistently score at the:

- 50th percentile and above to be on track
- Between the 40th and 49th percentile to be within the average range
- Between the 15th and 39th percentile will be monitored for potentially needing additional support
- Below the 15th percentile need support in order to be successful

FAST aReading					
Grade level	Percentile	Fall	Winter	Spring	
Kindergarten	50th	394	426	444	
	40th	386	417	437	
	15th	369	391	414	
One	50th	442	462	473	
	40th	435	455	468	
	15th	413	431	445	
Two	50th	475	488	495	
	40th	469	481	490	
	15th	445	462	469	
Three	50th	496	503	508	
	40th	490	498	503	
	15th	468	477	483	
Four	50th	507	513	517	
	40th	502	509	513	
	15th	484	493	496	
Five	50th	518	521	525	
	40th	513	517	520	
	15th	496	501	504	

FAST aMath						
Grade level	Percentile	Fall	Winter	Spring		
Kindergarten	50th	179	187	191		
	40th	177	184	190		
	15th	173	179	182		
One	50th	190	196	199		
	40th	188	194	198		
	15th	183	188	191		
Two	50th	199	204	206		
	40th	197	201	205		
	15th	191	195	197		
Three	50th	206	209	211		
	40th	204	207	209		
	15th	196	198	201		
Four	50th	210	213	216		
	40th	209	211	213		
	15th	201	204	205		
Five	50th	216	219	222		
	40th	213	216	218		
	15th	205	207	208		

What does "Additional Support" mean?

Additional support will look different for each student. Examples include regular one-on-one work with their classroom teachers, small group work with an intervention specialist outside of the classroom, or additional time during the school day devoted to strengthening fundamentals in math or reading.