Scale Score Ranges

The California Spanish Assessment (CSA) assesses students' competency in listening, reading, writing, and speaking (high school only) using the California Common Core State Standards en Español. In September 2025, the California State Board of Education (SBE) approved the State Superintendent of Public Instruction's overall and composite threshold scale scores, beginning with the 2024–25 CSA.

Students receive an Overall scale score that falls into one of three Achievement Levels. The table below shows the scale score ranges by each grade level or grade band and Achievement Levels.

Note: The 2024–25 scale scores ranges should not be compared to any previous administration as the test blueprint has changed.

Grade Level or Grade Band	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Grade three	200–243	244–264	265–299
Grade four	200–243	244–264	265–299
Grade five	200–243	244–264	265–299
Grade six	200–243	244–264	265–299
Grade seven	200–247	248–264	265–299
Grade eight	200–247	248–264	265–299
High School (Grades nine through twelve)	200–249	250–269	270–299

The scale score thresholds for the high school grade band are the same for the Overall, Oral Literacy, and Written Literacy scores. Any future changes to the scale score ranges will require the approval of the California SBE.

