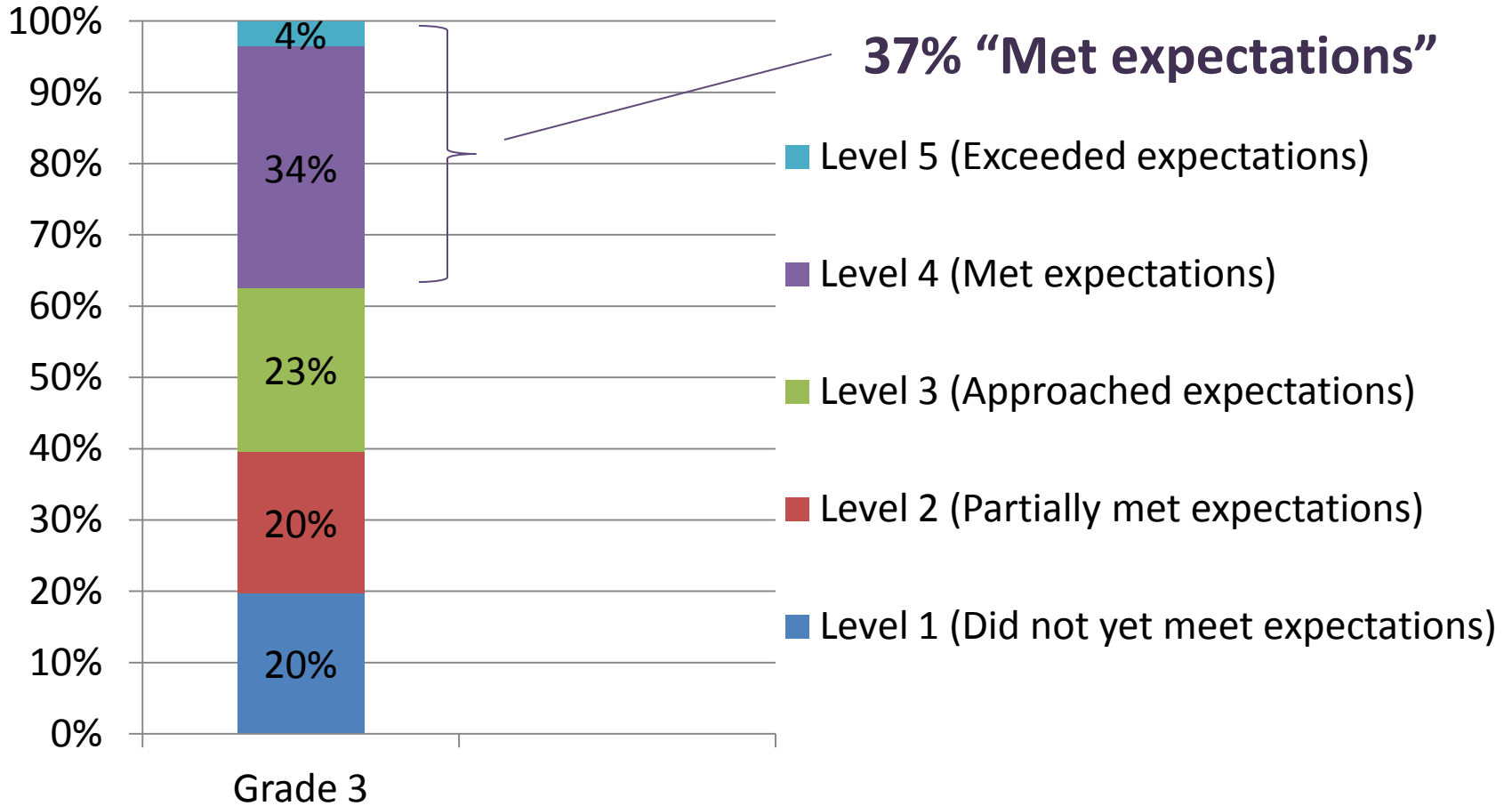


Rhode Island Campaign for Grade-Level Reading

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A Call to Action

Third-Grade *PARCC* ELA/Literacy Rates, Rhode Island, 2015



Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, *Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC)*, 2015.

PARCC Results

Alarming, But Not Surprising

Comparing *PARCC* and *NAEP* Fourth-Grade Reading Results, Rhode Island, 2015

	All Students	Low-Income Students	Higher-Income Students
<i>PARCC</i> “Met expectations”	38%	21%	54%
<i>NAEP</i> “Proficient”	40%	24%	54%

Source: *Rhode Island’s PARCC results for students in grades 3 through 8 and high school: 2015: A look into teaching and learning.* (November 2015). Providence, RI: Rhode Island Department of Education.

Achievement Gaps

Third-Grade Students Meeting Expectations in *PARCC*
ELA/Literacy, by Student Subgroups, Rhode Island, 2015

Subgroup	Percent Meeting Expectations
Males	33%
Females	43%
English Language Learners	8%
Students With Disabilities	10%
Students Without Disabilities	42%
Low-Income Students	21%
Higher-Income Students	53%
Native American	16%
Hispanic	18%
Black	22%
White	41%
Asian	47%
All Students	37%

Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, *Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC)*, 2015.

How Communities Compare

Third-Grade Students Meeting Expectations in *PARCC* ELA/Literacy, by District, Rhode Island, 2015

	District	Percent Meeting Expectations
5 highest for <i>PARCC</i> 3 rd -grade reading	South Kingstown	80%
	Tiverton	66%
	Little Compton	64%
	Barrington	63%
	Narragansett	61%
5 lowest for <i>PARCC</i> 3 rd -grade reading	Woonsocket	24%
	West Warwick	22%
	Pawtucket	22%
	Providence	14%
	Central Falls	13%
	Rhode Island	37%

Source: Rhode Island Department of Education, *Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC)*, 2015.

How Rhode Island Compares: *PARCC*

State	PARCC (3 rd Grade Reading)
Massachusetts	54%
New Jersey	44%
Colorado	38%
Louisiana	37%
Rhode Island	37%
Illinois	34%
Arkansas	29%
New Mexico	25%
Ohio	NA

Source: *Providence Journal*, November 19, 2015.

- Rhode Island in “middle of the pack” among states using *PARCC* in 2015.

How Rhode Island Compares: *NAEP*

Rank	State	NAEP (4 th Grade Reading)
1	Massachusetts	50%
2	New Hampshire	46%
3	Vermont	45%
4	Connecticut	43%
4	Virginia	43%
4	New Jersey	43%
7	Pennsylvania	41%
7	Wyoming	41%
9	Nebraska	40%
9	Indiana	40%
9	Kentucky	40%
9	<i>Rhode Island</i>	40%
9	Utah	40%
9	Washington	40%

Source: The Annie E. Casey Foundation, KIDS COUNT Data Center, datacenter.org

- Rhode Island ranked 9th in the U.S. and 5th in New England in the 2015 *NAEP* reading test.

Now Is the Time for Action!

