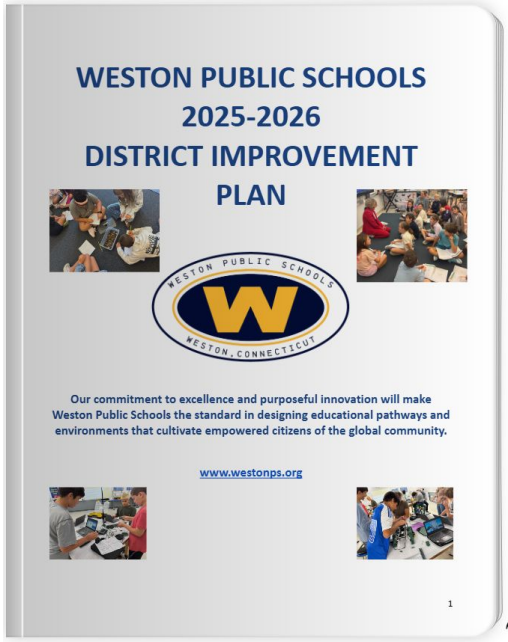
Weston Board of Education Special Meeting
Tuesday, September 1, 2026
7:00 PM
Weston Middle School Library Learning Commons
135 School Road
Weston, CT 06883

I. CALL TO ORDER, VERIFICATION OF QUORUM (Possible action)
II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
    A. I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.
III. SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE (Discussion)
IV. 2025-2026 DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN: Year in Review Part 3 - District Academic Goals and Standardized Assessment Data (Discussion)
V. BOARD CHAIR UPDATE (Discussion)
VI. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING(S) OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
    - September 22, 2026: Board of Education Regular Meeting, 7:00 PM, Weston Middle School Library Learning Common
    - September 24, 2026: Tri-Board Meeting (Board of Selectmen, Board of Education, Board of Finance), 6:00 PM, Via Zoom

    A. Review of Pending Agenda Items for Next Meeting
VII. ADJOURNMENT (Possible action)



District Improvement Plan 2025-26
Year in Review: Part 3
District Academic Goals
Standardized Assessment Data

Board of Education Special Meeting

September 1, 2026

Discussion Focus

- **Culminating Performance based on the District Academic Goals 2025-26**

  Standardized Assessment Data in:
  - Math Achievement and Growth
  - ELA Achievement and Growth
  - Science Achievement

- **Preview of Key Focus Areas for the 26-27 School Year**

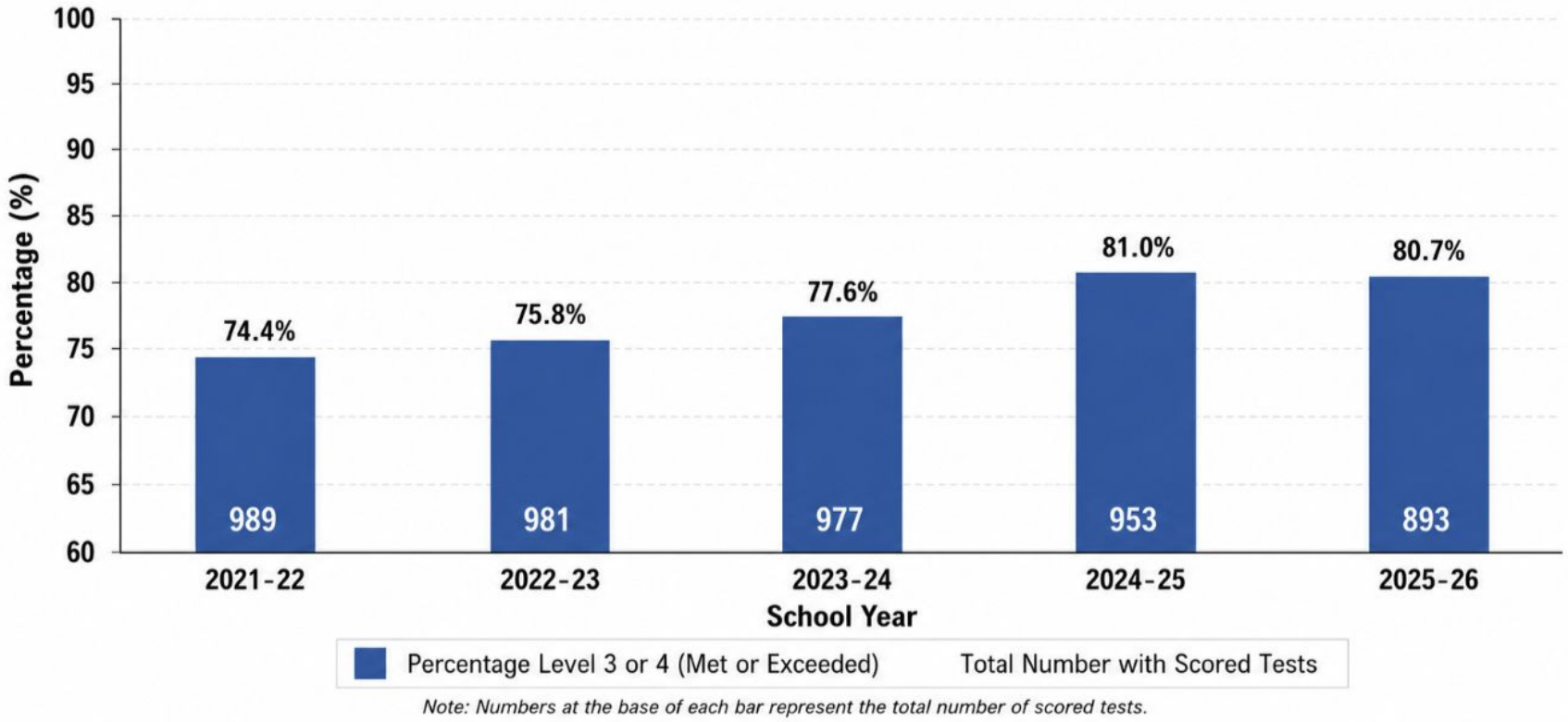
- **Celebrating Weston Public Schools!**

District Academic Goals 2025-26: Math

MATH GOAL: Ensure ALL students demonstrate growth and deepen their conceptual understanding of mathematical concepts so that they see themselves as capable mathematicians.	Spring 2025	**Spring 2026**	Target
Achievement			
84% or more Gr 3 - 8 students will meet or exceed proficiency targets on Math Smarter Balanced Assessment	81%	**81%**	84%
75% or more Gr 11 students will met or exceed College and Career Readiness Benchmarks on Math SAT	72%	**73%**	75%

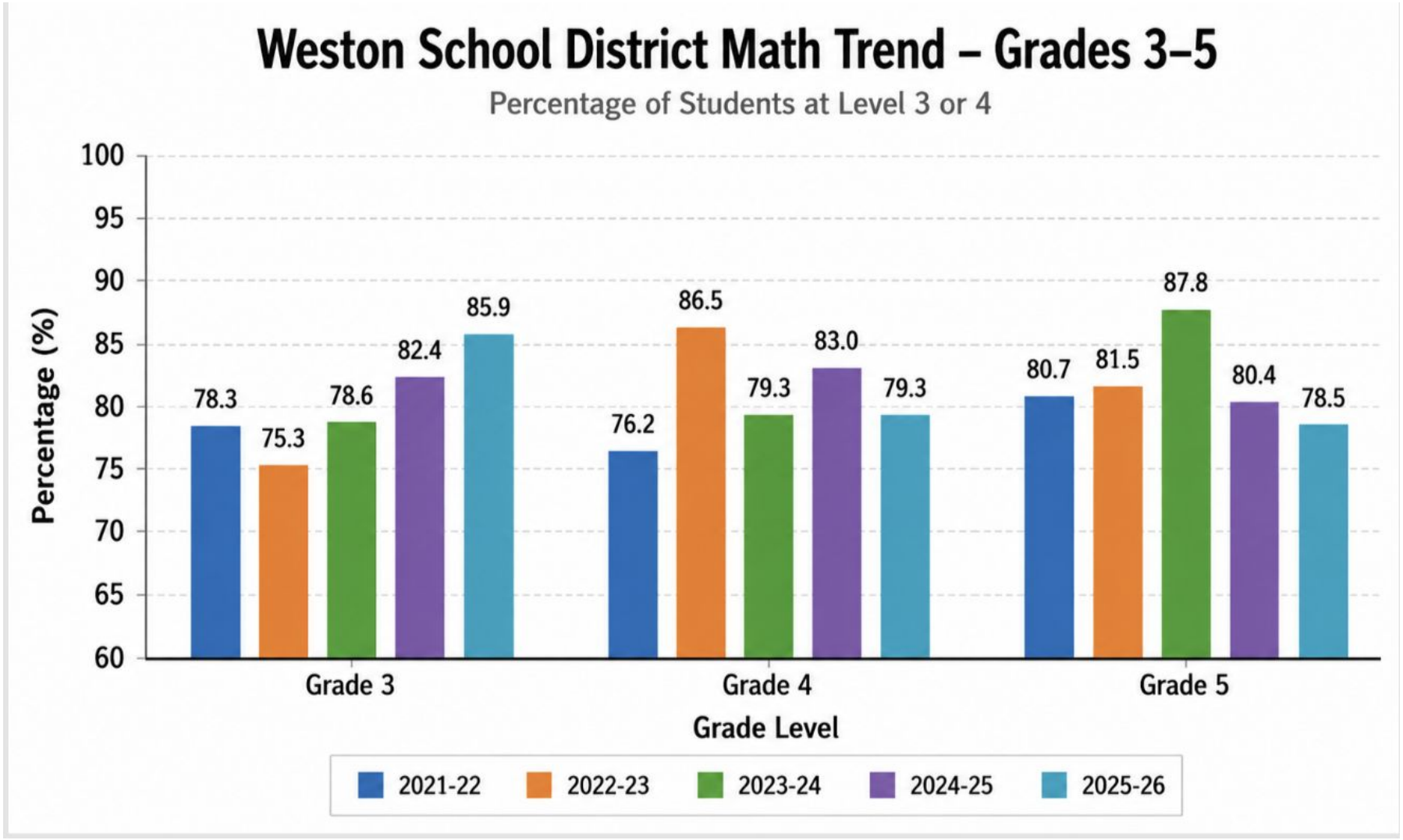
Smarter Balanced Trend Data - Math Gr. 3-8 Combined

District	School Year									
	2021-22		2022-23		2023-24		2024-25		2025-26	
	Total Number with Scored Tests	Percentage Level 3 or 4 (Met or Exceeded) %	Total Number with Scored Tests	Percentage Level 3 or 4 (Met or Exceeded) %	Total Number with Scored Tests	Percentage Level 3 or 4 (Met or Exceeded) %	Total Number with Scored Tests	Percentage Level 3 or 4 (Met or Exceeded) %	Total Number with Scored Tests	Percentage Level 3 or 4 (Met or Exceeded) %
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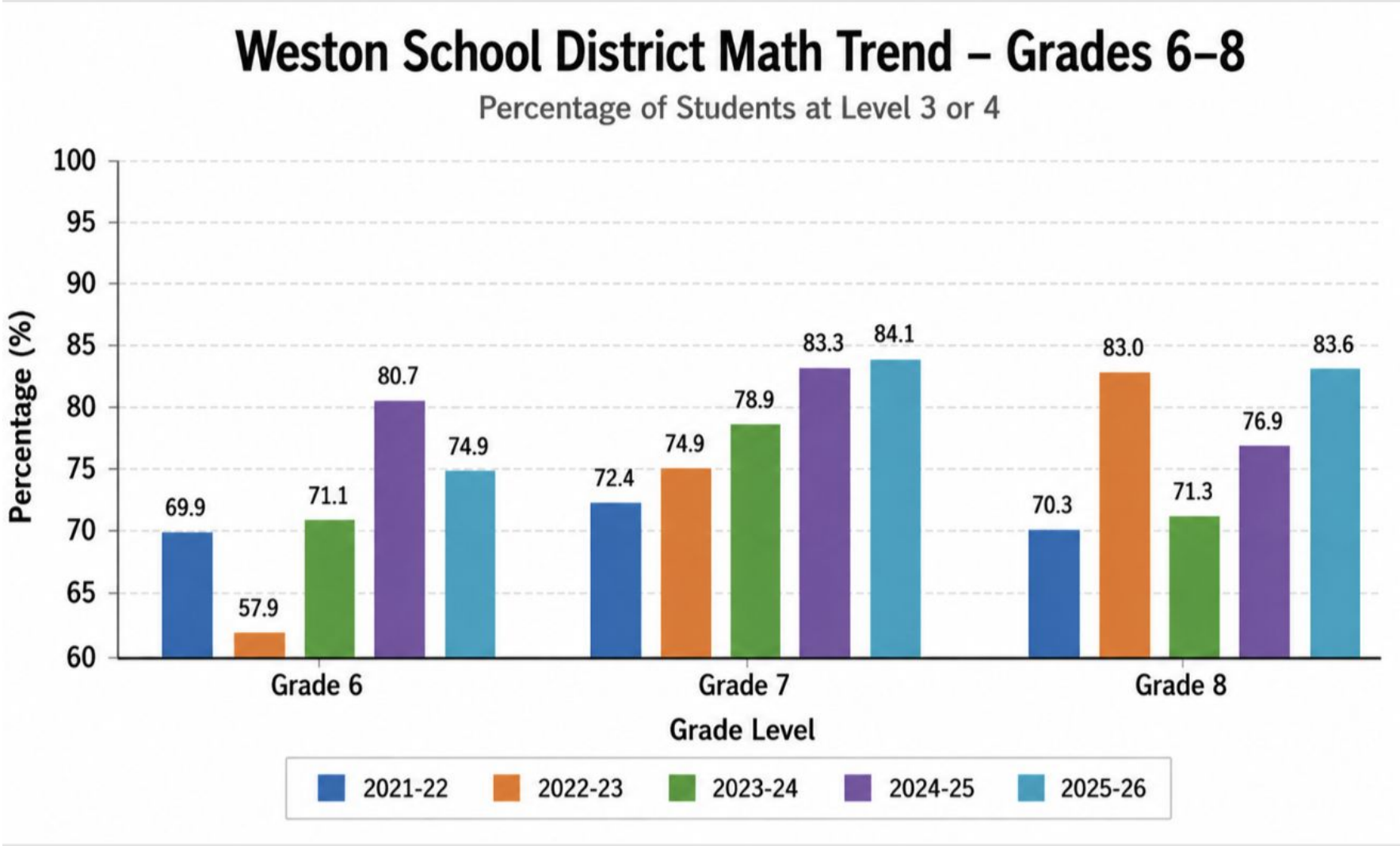


Note: Numbers at the base of each bar represent the total number of scored tests.

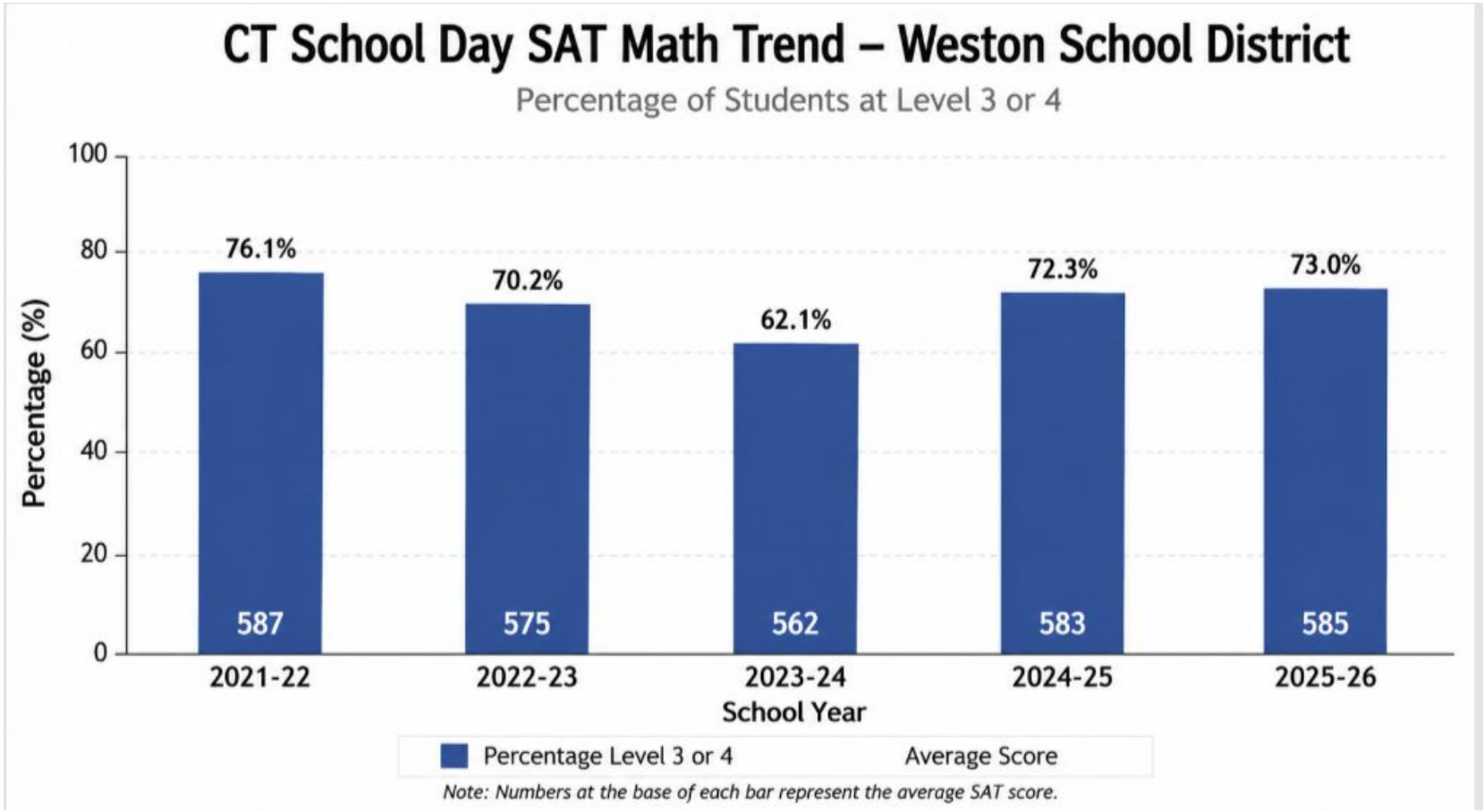
Smarter Balanced Assessment Trend Data - Math



Smarter Balanced Assessment Trend Data - Math



SAT Trend Data: Grade 11 Math



Rough Cohort SBA Math Comparison

Approximate cohort	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Pattern
Gr. 3 in 2021–22	78.3%	86.5%	87.8%	80.7%	84.1%	—	Strong growth through Gr. 5, dip in Gr. 6, recovery
Gr. 3 in 2022–23	75.3%	79.3%	80.4%	74.9%	—	—	Growth through Gr. 5, then Gr. 6 decline
Gr. 3 in 2023–24	78.6%	83.0%	78.5%	—	—	—	Growth in Gr. 4, decline in Gr. 5
Gr. 3 in 2024–25	82.4%	79.3%	—	—	—	—	Slight decline
Gr. 4 in 2021–22	—	76.2%	81.5%	71.1%	83.3%	83.6%	Gr. 6 decline followed by strong recovery
Gr. 5 in 2021–22	—	—	80.7%	57.9%	78.9%	76.9%	Large Gr. 6 decline followed by substantial recovery

2026 Math Achievement in DRG A
SBA Grades 3-8 & SAT Grade 11

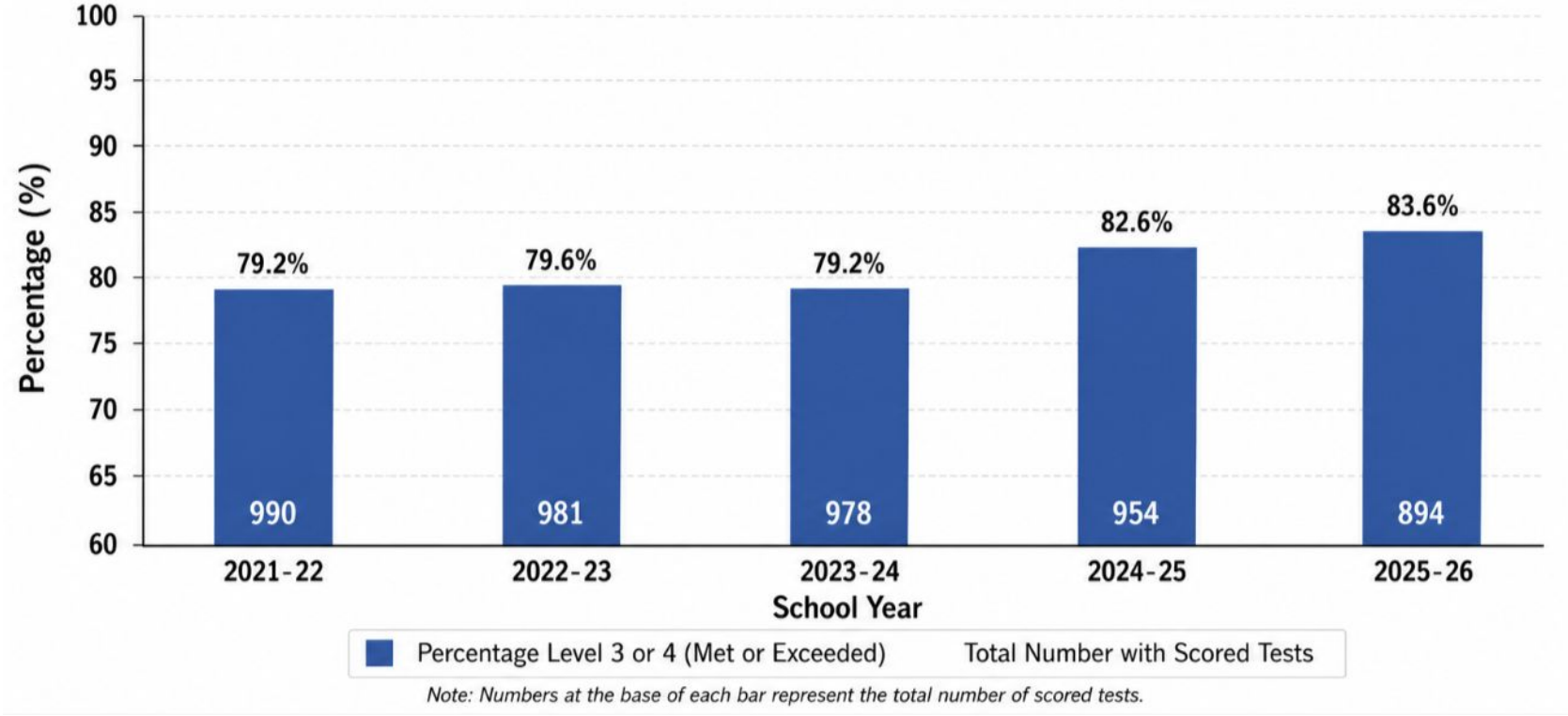
SUMMATIVE TESTING 2026 - DRG COMPARISON									
MATH									
	Darien	Easton	New Canaan	Redding	Ridgefield	Weston	Westport	Wilton	Region 9
Grade 3	87	80	88	90	79	86	79	74	
Grade 4	85	84	94	*	83	79	81	83	
Grade 5	80	69	84	77	83	78	75	75	
Grade 6	80	69	84	69	65	75	79	80	
Grade 7	80	*	89	71	71	84	83	86	
Grade 8	79	86	90	76	83	84	78	89	
Grade 11 (SAT)	77		73		75	73	73	76	67

District Academic Goals 2025-26: ELA

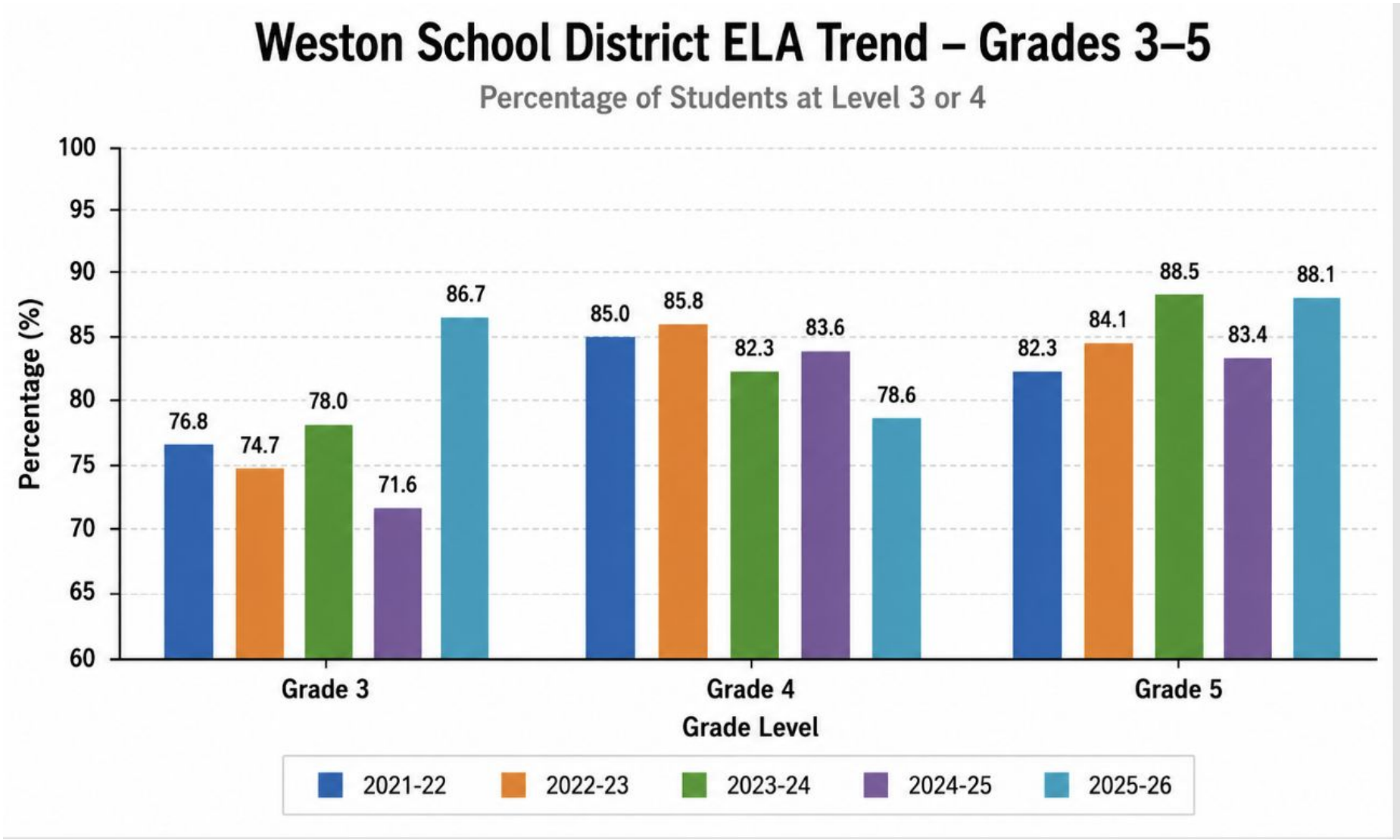
ELA Goal: Ensure all students achieve grade-level reading proficiency by grade 3 and continue developing literacy and critical thinking skills through grades 4-12, using reading and writing as tools to understand and engage with content across subjects, with a particular emphasis on refining the writing process in high school.	Spring 2025	**Spring 2026**	Target
Achievement			
85% or more of Gr 3-8 students will meet or exceed proficiency targets on ELA Smarter Balanced Assessment	80%	**83%**	85%
94% or more of Gr 11 students will meet or exceed College and Career Benchmarks for EBR/W SAT School Day	91%	**96%**	94%

Trend Data: All Grades Combined - ELA

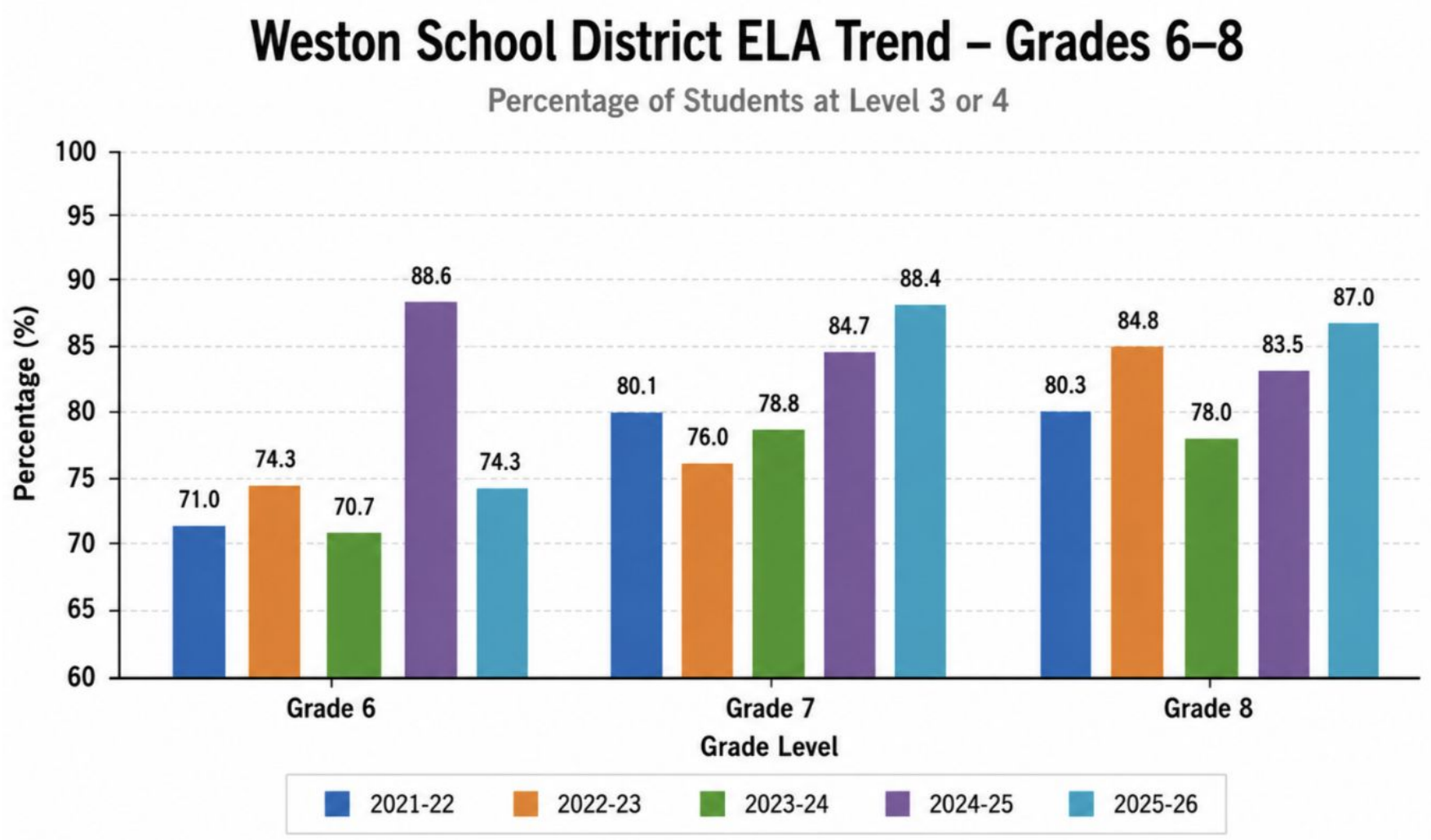
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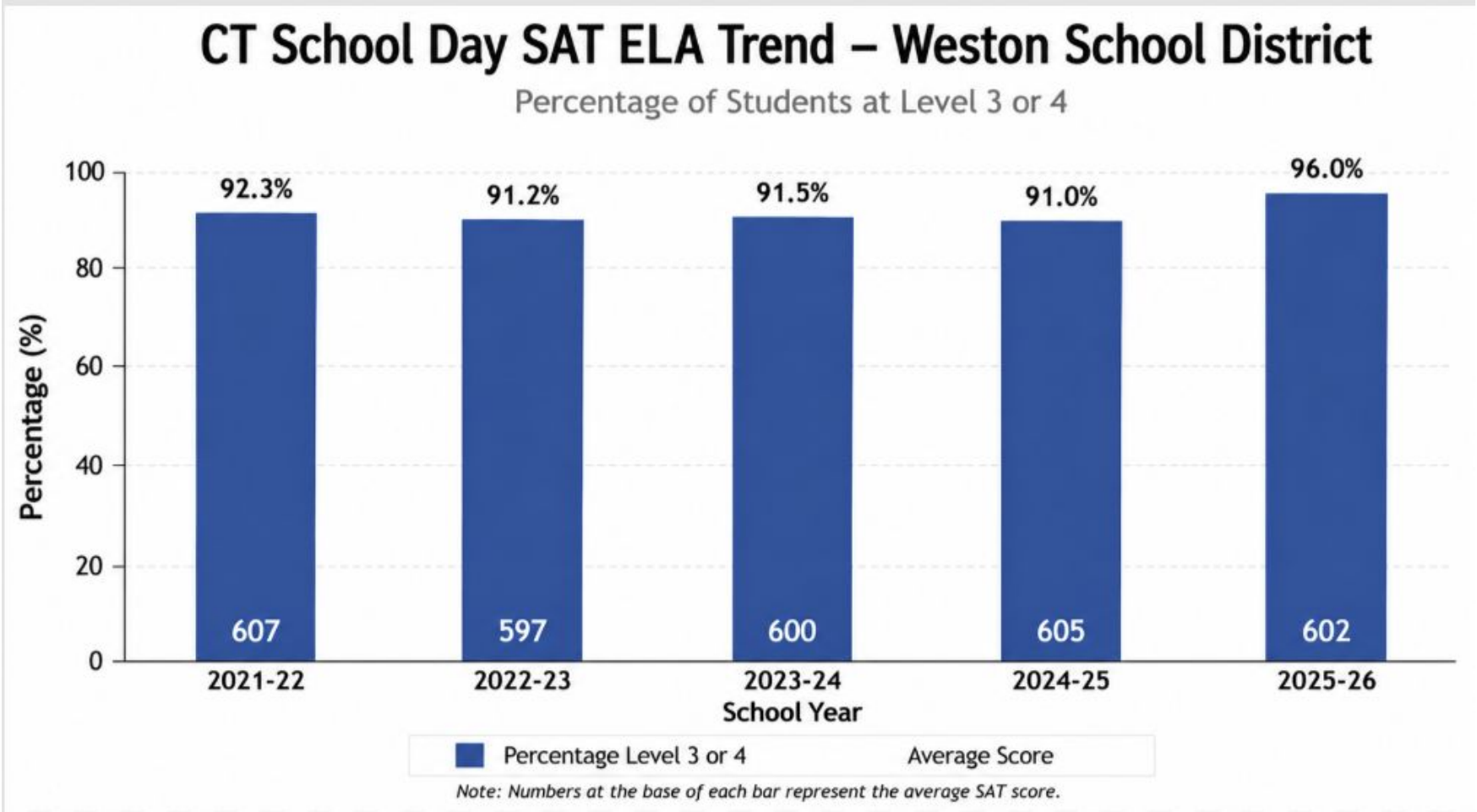
Smarter Balanced Assessment Trend Data - ELA



Smarter Balanced Assessment Trend Data - ELA



SAT Trend Data: Grade 11- ELA



Rough Cohort SBA ELA Comparison

Approximate cohort	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Overall pattern
Grade 3 in 2021–22	76.8%	85.8%	88.5%	88.6%	88.4%	—	Strong sustained growth
Grade 3 in 2022–23	74.7%	82.3%	83.4%	74.3%	—	—	Growth through Gr. 5, then Gr. 6 decline
Grade 3 in 2023–24	78.0%	83.6%	88.1%	—	—	—	Consistent growth
Grade 3 in 2024–25	71.6%	78.6%	—	—	—	—	Early positive growth
Grade 4 in 2021–22	—	85.0%	84.1%	70.7%	84.7%	87.0%	Gr. 6 dip followed by strong recovery
Grade 5 in 2021–22	—	—	82.3%	74.3%	78.8%	83.5%	Gr. 6 dip followed by steady recovery

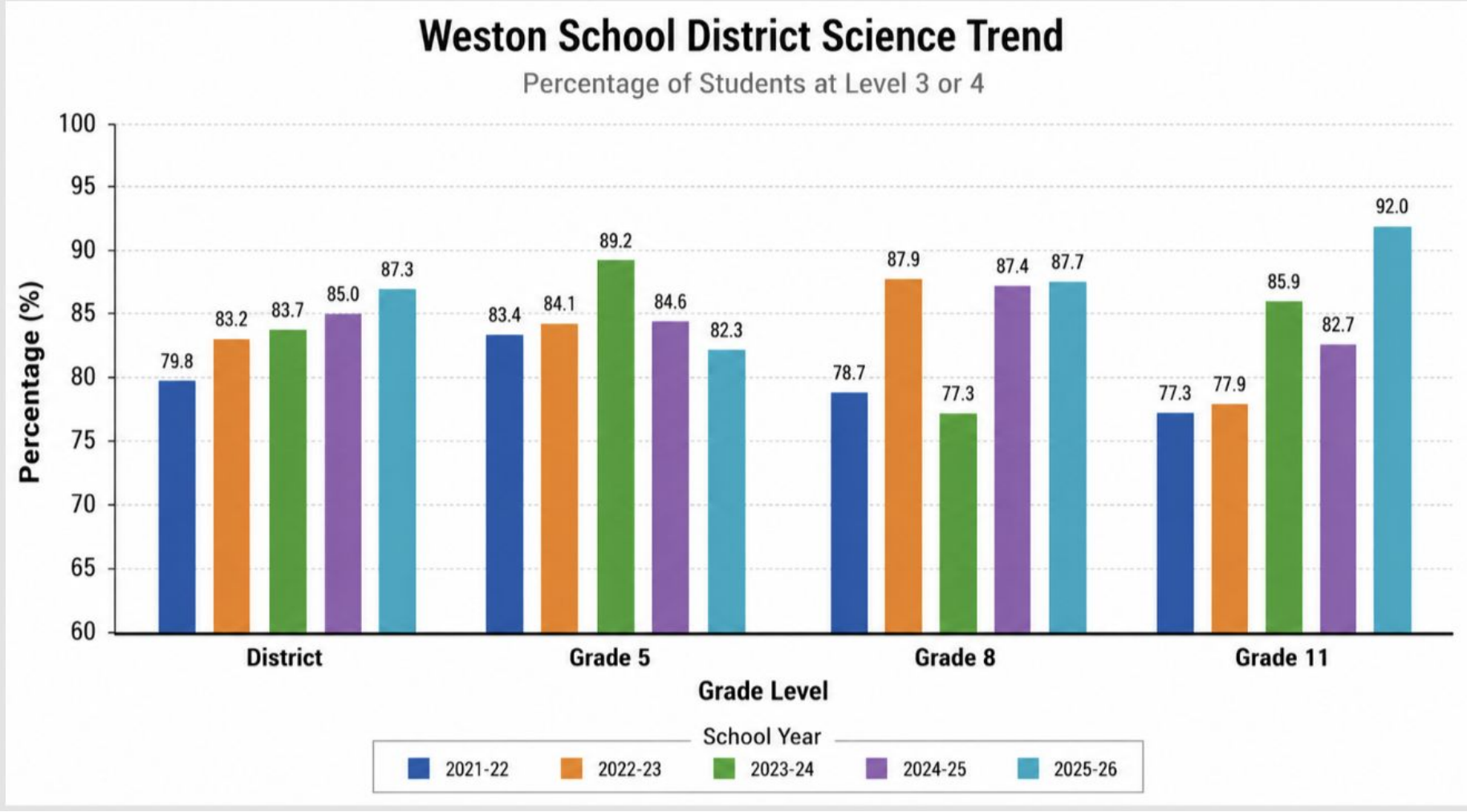
2026 ELA Achievement in DRG A
SBA Grades 3-8 & SAT Grade 11

SUMMATIVE TESTING 2026 - DRG COMPARISON									
ELA									
	Darien	Easton	New Canaan	Redding	Ridgefield	Weston	Westport	Wilton	Region 9
Grade 3	80	68	89	87	76	87	73	69	
Grade 4	81	75	92	77	80	79	82	74	
Grade 5	86	76	92	80	85	88	81	79	
Grade 6	78	74	85	78	76	74	76	80	
Grade 7	83	76	90	71	79	88	86	83	
Grade 8	85	82	89	77	86	87	81	84	
Grade 11 (SAT)	91		90		92	96	90	90	90

District Academic Goals 2025-26: Science

SCIENCE Goal: Ensure all students have access to high-quality, inquiry-based K-12 science instruction that aligns with the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) and fosters the development of habits and practices used by real-world scientists.	Spring 2025	**Spring 2026**	Target
Achievement			
89% of students in grades 5, 8, and 11 will meet or exceed the grade-level proficiency as measured by the NGSS summative assessment.	86%	**88%**	89%
50% of *students with disabilities (SwDs) in grades 5, 8, and 11 will meet or exceed the grade-level proficiency as measured by the NGSS summative assessment. *High Needs (F/R, MLL, SwDs): captures more reflective subgroup	46%	**54%**	50%

NGSS Trend Data - Science



2026 NGSS (Science) Achievement in DRG A

SUMMATIVE TESTING 2026 - DRG COMPARISON									
NGSS									
	Darien	Easton	New Canaan	Redding	Ridgefield	Weston	Westport	Wilton	Region 9
Grade 5	83	80	89	83	86	82	74	73	
Grade 8	84	83	86	82	84	88	79	87	
Grade 11	74		83		75	92	85	86	92

***Achievement scores in Bold are the highest in DRG A reported per grade**

Key Focus Areas for 2026-27

What did the 2025–26 results teach us, and how is that shaping next year's work?

Math

- Reduce grade-level variability, with particular attention to the Grades 4–6 continuum, through consistently rigorous, student-centered Tier 1 instruction.
- Use student work and formative assessment more responsively to accelerate growth for students below, at, and above proficiency.

ELA

- Build on strong achievement while strengthening the Grades 4–8 progression in comprehension, disciplinary literacy, writing, and discourse.
- Increase the percentage of all students making expected growth, with particular attention to Grade 6 and students who are proficient but not yet growing at expected rates.

Science

- Build upon strong Grade 8 and Grade 11 outcomes by strengthening the K–12 progression of inquiry, scientific reasoning, and evidence-based discourse.
- Use formative evidence to strengthen Grade 5 readiness and continue narrowing subgroup performance gaps.

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Weston High School — #3 in Connecticut; #235 nationally

U.S. News & World Report, 2026–27 Best High Schools

Outperforming all surrounding public high schools except:

- CT IB Academy, East Hartford (#1)
- Greenwich High School (#2)

— U.S. News & World Report

**2026-2027 District & School Improvement Plan Presentation during the BOE Meeting:

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