

**NJSLA-S Results:**  
*Spring 2019 Administration*

**HAINESPORT  
TOWNSHIP  
SCHOOL  
DISTRICT**

**Measuring  
College and  
Career Readiness**

# New Jersey Student Learning Assessment –Science (NJSLA-Science)

## The NJSLA-Science:

- Is a federally required state assessment administered to students in grades 5, 8, and 11
- Provides a snapshot of student performance on the New Jersey Student Learning Standards for Science (NJSLS-Science)
- Was developed in collaboration with NJ educators, the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE), and New Jersey's contracted science vendors
- Is significantly different from the New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge (NJ ASK) because NJSLS-Science are more rigorous standards and NJSLA-Science focuses on the application of science knowledge and skills rather than memorization of content

# NJSLA-Science Spring 2019 Results

## NJSLA-S Grade 5

**Level 4**

3.0%

**Level 3**

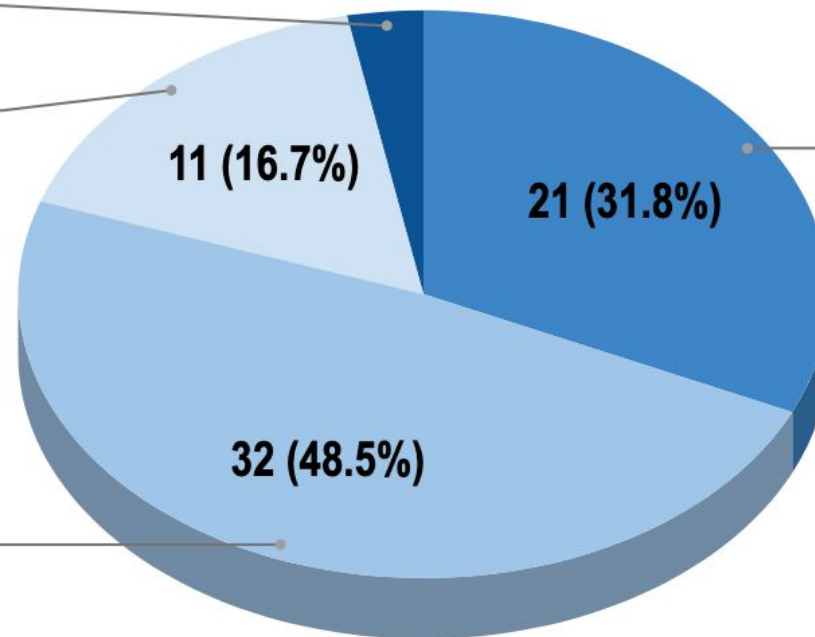
16.7%

**Level 2**

48.5%

**Level 1**

31.8%



Total Number of Students Tested: 66

# NJSLA-Science Spring 2019 Results

## NJSLA-S Grade 8

**Level 4**

10.7%

**Level 3**

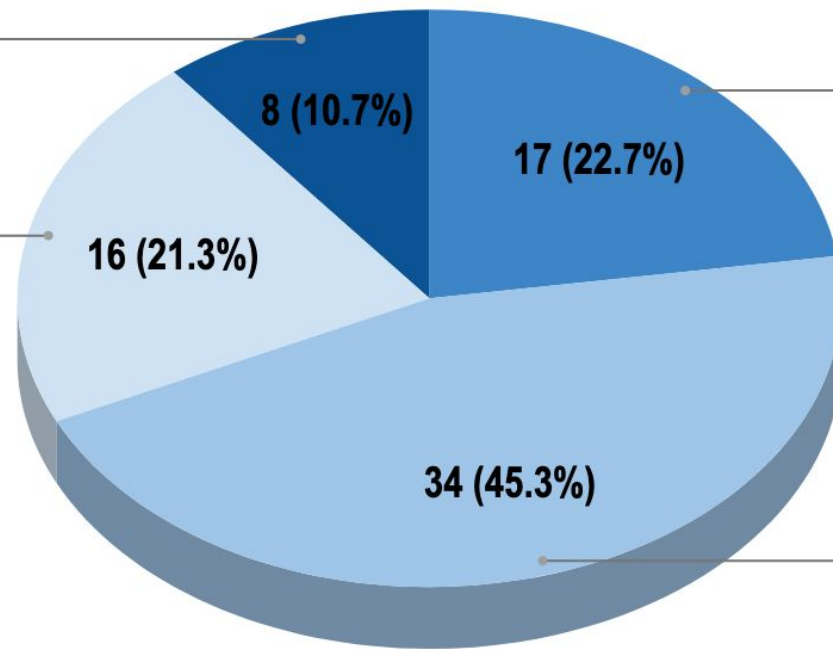
21.3%

**Level 1**

22.7%

**Level 2**

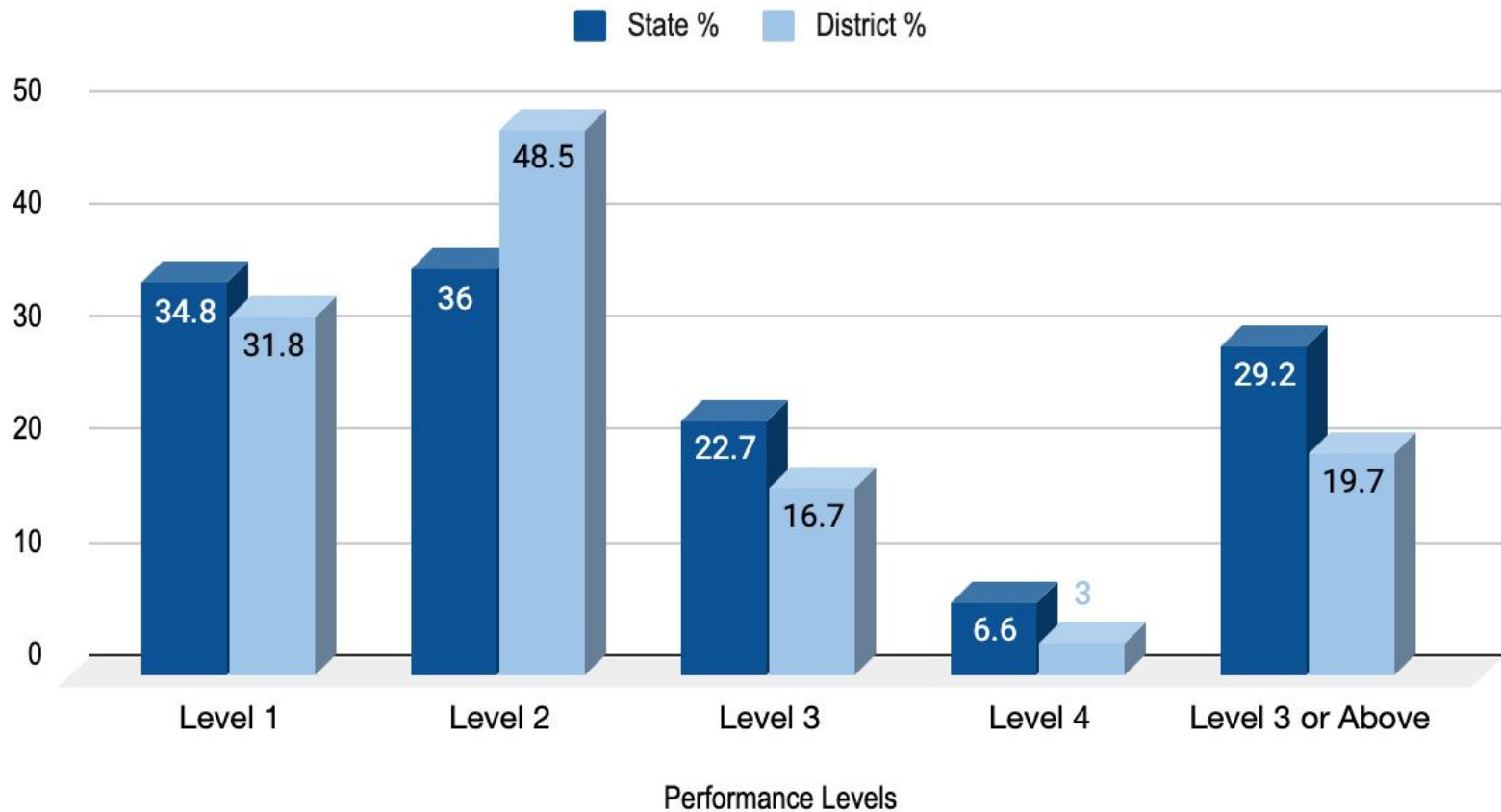
45.3%



Total Number of Students Tested: 76

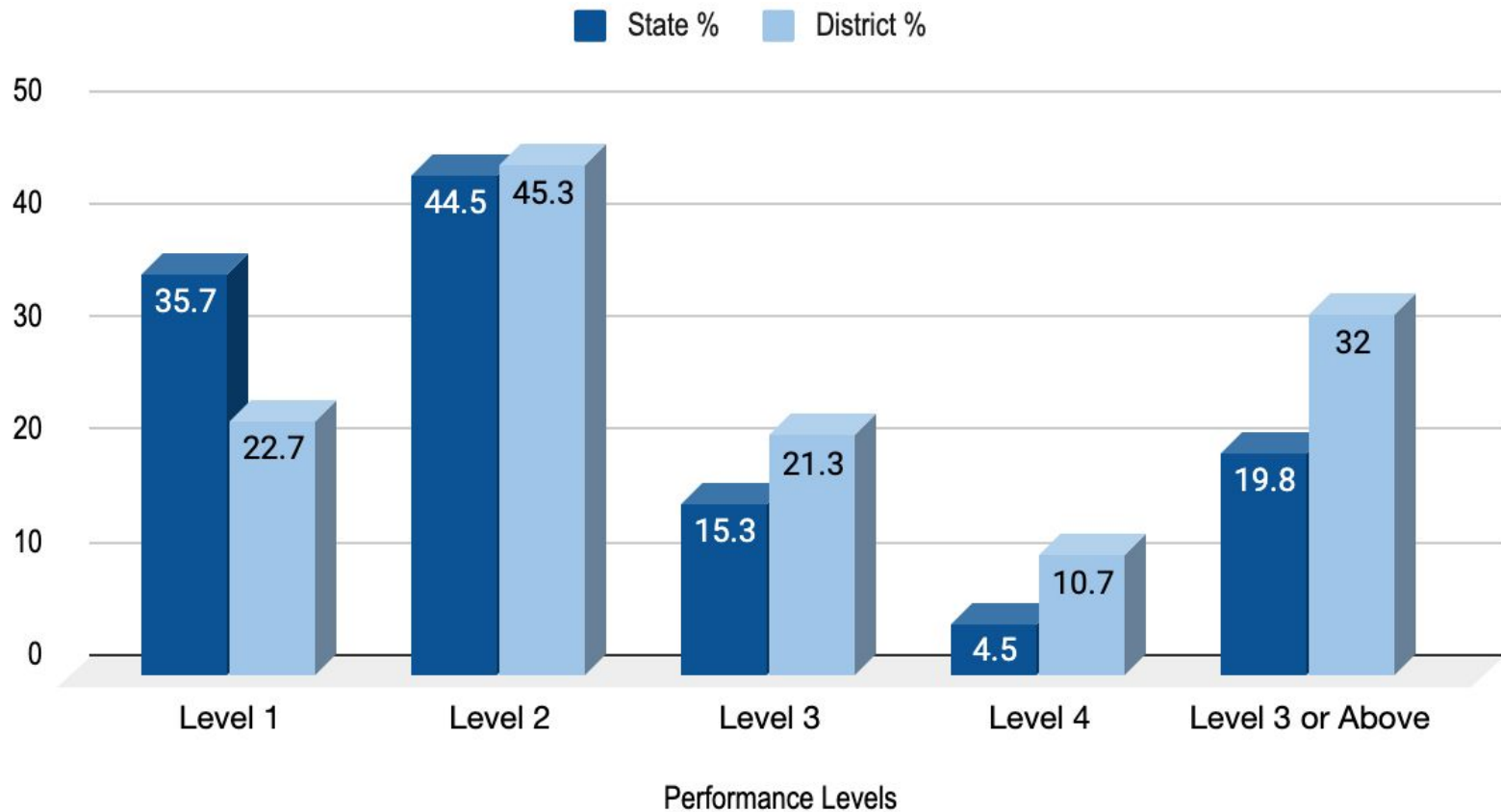
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## NJSLA-S Grade 5 Performance Levels



# Comparison of **HAINESPORT'S** Spring 2019 NJSLA-Science to New Jersey Percentages

## NJSLA-S Grade 8 Performance Levels



# Why do NJSLA-Science scores look different from those of the previous state science tests?

- The NJSLA-Science assessment reflects new expectations outlined in the new science standards, the NJSLS-Science, which focuses on the application of science knowledge and skills.
- The prior assessment, New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge (NJ ASK), emphasized the memorization of content.
- A new test was needed to measure the state's new, more rigorous science standards (NJSLS-Science) that are informing classroom instruction.

# Intervention Strategies

- The NJSLA-Science data is used to evaluate the district's science curriculum and school and classroom instruction.
- This data, in combination with classroom level data collected through formative, summative, and benchmark assessments, provides feedback on students' strengths and weaknesses with particular skills related to the science standards.
- The NJDOE recognizes that due to the new standards and new assessment, districts may need additional support. The NJDOE plans to continue to develop additional resources and course materials to help support the implementation of the NJSLS-Science. The district will continue to connect educators to these resources and course materials.



**Thank You!**

**This presentation will be available on  
the district's website.**

**Should you have any questions, please  
do not hesitate to contact us.**