District Level CIRCLE Progress Monitoring Benchmarks

This district-level benchmark guide is to assist in your decision-making processes. The details in this guide will help with the following:

- Understanding how long each measure takes to assess
- Understand the interplay between each measure and ECDS requirements
- Having a firm grasp of which measures are total scores and the components of the total score
- Evaluating which fields to identify as required for your district
- Creating a list of validated measures
- Determining which measures to use for growth metrics
- Making decisions on which fields to use in board goals and why
- Determining which metrics to use for other KPIs

While reviewing the benchmarks, please keep the following in mind:

Note 1: Student's age as of Sept 1st were used to establish benchmarks. All benchmarks in this document are for the "On track" indicator. Any score below the **"On track"** cut-point will receive an indicator of "Monitor" or "Support" for ages 3.0 - 4.0 and 4.0+, respectively.

Note 2: Cut point differences are due to a variety of factors:

- The statistical analysis of the CLI Engage assessment tool over time
- Considerations for English and Spanish instruction
- Considerations for the unique linguistic characteristics of English and Spanish
- A child's age as of September 1st

Note 3: Items without a benchmark are due to insufficient data and are marked "***".

Note 4: Most districts use 3-wave assessment (BOY, MOY, EOY) on CLI Engage. If your district is administering a 4-wave assessment, use this guide to align benchmarks from the tables on the following pages:

- Wave 1: as-is
- Wave 2: as-is
- Wave 3: repeat Wave 2 benchmarks
- Wave 4: use Wave 3 benchmarks

Language Domain

Rapid Vocabulary

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	4	9	10
3.5-<4.0	10	11	12
4.0-<4.5	16	18	19
4.5 or Above	16	19	20

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	1	6	7
3.5-<4.0	6	8	9
4.0-<4.5	6	14	16
4.5 or Above	7	15	16

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct assessment
- **Domain for ECDS:** Language and Communication
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 2.5 minutes
- A validated benchmark

Story Retell and Comprehension

English	
Ages	Waves 1, 2, 3
3.0-<3.5	1
3.5-<4.0	2
4.0-<4.5	3
4.5 or Above	4

Spanish	
Ages	Waves 1, 2, 3
3.0-<3.5	1
3.5-<4.0	2
4.0-<4.5	3
4.5 or Above	4

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct assessment
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 10 minutes
- A validated benchmark

Speech Production and Sentence Skills

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	***	1	3
3.5-<4.0	1	3	5
4.0-<4.5	2	5	5
4.5 or Above	3	5	7

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	***	1	2
3.5-<4.0	1	2	4
4.0-<4.5	1	4	5
4.5 or Above	2	5	6

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Observable
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 2 minutes
- A validated benchmark

Reading and Writing Domain

Rapid Letter Naming

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	***	***	***
3.5-<4.0	7	7	8
4.0-<4.5	7	11	14
4.5 or Above	8	12	14

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	***	***	***
3.5-<4.0	4	5	6
4.0-<4.5	4	8	10
4.5 or Above	5	9	13

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct assessment
- **Domain for ECDS:** Emergent Literacy: Reading
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 2.5 minutes
- A validated benchmark

Phonological Awareness

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	3	7	9
3.5-<4.0	7	10	12
4.0-<4.5	8	12	15
4.5 or Above	10	14	17

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	1	5	7
3.5-<4.0	2	7	11
4.0-<4.5	5	10	13
4.5 or Above	7	12	15

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct Assessment
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 6 minutes
- **A total score of 4 sub-measures (Onset Rime, Alliteration, Syllabication, and Rhyming I)**
- A validated benchmark

Phonological Awareness - Sub-Measures

English		
Ages	Measure	Waves 1, 2, 3
3.5 and up	Onset Rime	3
	Alliteration	6
	Syllabication	6
	Rhyming I	7

Spanish		
Ages	Measure	Waves 1, 2, 3
3.5 and up	Onset Rime	***
	Alliteration	5
	Syllabication	5
	Rhyming I	5

Note: For ages 3.0 – 3.5, an insufficient number of children demonstrated the skill in English and Spanish.

Note: Onset-Rime is not assessed for Spanish-speaking students.

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct Assessment
- **Administration Time core tasks:** See above
- **Sub-measures for the Phonological Awareness Total Score**

Optional Phonological Awareness

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	1	2	3
3.5-<4.0	2	3	4
4.0-<4.5	2	5	7
4.5 or Above	3	6	8

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	1	2	3
3.5-<4.0	1	2	4
4.0-<4.5	1	4	6
4.5 or Above	2	5	7

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct Assessment
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 4 minutes
- **A total score of 3 sub-measures (Listening, Words in a Sentence, and Rhyming II)**
- A validated benchmark

Optional Phonological Awareness – Sub-Measures

English		
Ages	Measure	Waves 1, 2, 3
3.5 and up	Listening	5
	Words in a Sentence	4
	Rhyming II	3

Spanish		
Ages	Measure	Waves 1, 2, 3
3.5 and up	Listening	3
	Words in a Sentence	3
	Rhyming II	3

Note: For ages 3.0 – 3.5, an insufficient number of children demonstrated the skill in English and Spanish.

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct assessment
- **Administration Time core tasks:** See above
- **Sub-measures for the Optional Phonological Awareness Total Score**

Letter–Sound Correspondence

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	***	***	***
3.5-<4.0	***	***	***
4.0-<4.5	***	1	3
4.5 or Above	***	2	5

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	***	***	***
3.5-<4.0	***	***	***
4.0-<4.5	***	1	5
4.5 or Above	***	3	7

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct assessment
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 5 minutes
- A validated benchmark

Motivation to Read

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	***	2	2
3.5-<4.0	1	2	3
4.0-<4.5	1	3	4
4.5 or Above	2	4	4

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	***	1	2
3.5-<4.0	1	2	4
4.0-<4.5	1	2	4
4.5 or Above	1	3	4

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Observable
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 2 minutes
- A validated benchmark

Early Writing Skills

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	***	2	4
3.5-<4.0	1	4	6
4.0-<4.5	1	7	10
4.5 or Above	3	10	13

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	***	1	4
3.5-<4.0	1	3	7
4.0-<4.5	1	7	12
4.5 or Above	1	9	14

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Observable
- **Domain for ECDS:** Emergent Literacy: Writing
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 2 minutes
- A validated benchmark

Book and Print Knowledge

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	1	3	4
3.5-<4.0	2	4	6
4.0-<4.5	3	5	7
4.5 or Above	4	6	8

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	1	2	4
3.5-<4.0	1	3	5
4.0-<4.5	1	5	7
4.5 or Above	2	6	8

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct assessment
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 5 minutes
- A validated benchmark

STEM Domain

Math

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	5	9	11
3.5-<4.0	7	10	13
4.0-<4.5	9	14	18
4.5 or Above	11	17	20

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	3	7	10
3.5-<4.0	4	9	13
4.0-<4.5	6	13	17
4.5 or Above	8	15	20

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct assessment
- **Domain for ECDS:** Mathematics
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 3 minutes
- **A total score of 7 sub-measures (Rote Counting, Shape naming, Number Discrimination, Number Naming, Shape Discrimination, Counting Sets, Operations)**
- A validated benchmark

Math – Sub-Measures

English		
Ages	Measure	Waves 1, 2, 3
3.5 and up	Rote Counting	2
	Shape Naming	4
	Number Discrimination	2
	Number Naming	3
	Shape Discrimination	5
	Counting Sets	4
	Operations	3

Spanish		
Ages	Measure	Waves 1, 2, 3
3.5 and up	Rote Counting	2
	Shape Naming	4
	Number Discrimination	2
	Number Naming	3
	Shape Discrimination	5
	Counting Sets	4
	Operations	3

Note: For ages 3.0 – 3.5, an insufficient number of children demonstrated the skill in English and in Spanish.

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct assessment
- **Domain for ECDS:** Mathematics
- **Administration Time core tasks:** See above
- **Sub-measures for the Math Total Score**

Optional Math

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	2	3	3
3.5-<4.0	2	3	4
4.0-<4.5	3	4	5
4.5 or Above	3	5	6

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	1	3	4
3.5-<4.0	1	4	5
4.0-<4.5	2	4	6
4.5 or Above	3	5	7

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct assessment
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 2.5 minutes
- A validated benchmark
- Includes: Patterns, Real World (measurement)

Science

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	8	11	13
3.5-<4.0	10	13	16
4.0-<4.5	13	16	18
4.5 or Above	15	17	19

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	7	10	13
3.5-<4.0	9	13	15
4.0-<4.5	11	15	17
4.5 or Above	13	16	19

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct assessment
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 10 minutes
- A validated benchmark

Health and Development Domain

Social Studies

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	5	7	8
3.5-<4.0	6	8	9
4.0-<4.5	7	9	10
4.5 or Above	8	10	11

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	3	6	7
3.5-<4.0	4	7	9
4.0-<4.5	6	8	9
4.5 or Above	7	9	10

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Direct assessment
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 8 minutes
- A validated benchmark

Social Emotional Behaviors

English			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	3	19	30
3.5-<4.0	7	26	32
4.0-<4.5	9	29	37
4.5 or Above	14	31	43

Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	1	19	30
3.5-<4.0	2	26	32
4.0-<4.5	5	27	38
4.5 or Above	9	31	44

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Observable
- **Domain for ECDS:** Health and Wellness
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 10 minutes
- A validated benchmark
- Includes: Positive Social Behaviors, Classroom Community & Safety, Emotion & Behavior Regulation, Self-Care, Approaches to Learning

Approaches to Learning Expanded

English					Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3		Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	4	9	12		3.0-<3.5	1	8	13
3.5-<4.0	5	11	14		3.5-<4.0	3	11	16
4.0-<4.5	6	13	16		4.0-<4.5	4	12	16
4.5 or Above	9	14	18		4.5 or Above	6	14	18

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Observable
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 6 minutes
- A validated benchmark
- Includes: Initiative & Curiosity, Flexibility, Art/Creativity & Dramatic Play

Physical Development and Health

English					Spanish			
Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3		Ages	Wave 1	Wave 2	Wave 3
3.0-<3.5	7	12	13		3.0-<3.5	3	10	12
3.5-<4.0	9	12	16		3.5-<4.0	5	11	16
4.0-<4.5	10	14	19		4.0-<4.5	8	12	20
4.5 or Above	12	16	21		4.5 or Above	9	14	21

Measure Information

- **Measure type:** Observable
- **Administration Time core tasks:** 6 minutes
- A validated benchmark
- Includes: Fine & Visual Motor, Gross Motor, Health Status