

The Scoring Process

Districts Return Materials

Pearson Scans all Documents

Materials are Handscored

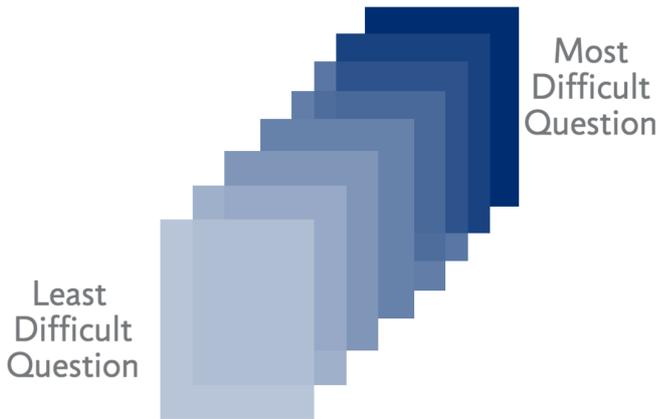
TVAAS Data Available

Conduct Standards Setting

Grade 3-8 Raw Data Available

High School Data Released

What is standards setting?



Actual student performance determines where the questions fall from least difficult to most difficult; that's why you can only do standards setting after students take the test.

Based on broad definitions of what students should know and be able to do at each level, Tennessee educators look at each question, determining the cut off between each level of proficiency. This process is called standards setting.

What is a cut score?



The point where two levels meet is called the cut score. Three cut scores determine four levels of performance.

What is a performance level?

The cut score is the minimum score a student must earn to be considered at a certain performance level.

Performance level is not the same as proficiency; rather, performance levels are used to determine proficiency.

