

Analysis of 2021-2022 Student Proficiency

Despite DPI's claims, there is still cause for concern

DPI's press release claims that the scores show "strong signs of recovery," but it only takes a superficial look at the data to call this into question.

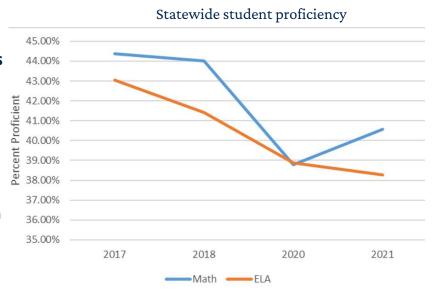
Deflated proficiency last year leads to inflated proficiency this year.

For example, Milwaukee Public School student proficiency in reading and math is less than 15%, and reading proficiency continues to decline once the data accounts for students who didn't take the test last year.

Milwaukee Public Schools 2021-2022
25.00%
20.00%
15.00%
5.00%
2017
2018
2020
2021
ELA Math

Proficiency has continued to decline in English/Language Arts and have stagnated at a lower level in math.

Once accounting for student opt outs, statewide reading proficiency is actually lower than last year and proficiency in math has not recovered to pre-pandemic levels.



The after effects of **union-led school shutdowns** are still being felt in Wisconsin. This year's testing data represent a **warning sign** that Wisconsin must do much more to help students catch up. Students who are stuck in school districts that aren't working for them need to be provided with **educational options**.