



October 4, 2023

Student Achievement Committee

Dear Chairs Arakaki and Members of the Committee,

Presentation on Board of Education Update on Strategic Plan, Desired Outcome 1.1.3. “All students are proficient in mathematics by the end of eighth grade, and those who are not proficient receive necessary and timely support to become proficient.”

We like the DOE’s focus on middle school mathematics and the initiatives that strategies that have been put forth in the memo.

We would like to respectfully ask that at some point, the department consider extending its initiatives and strategies to elementary school as well. On the next page is a chart that shows math proficiency for the State from 2014-2015 to 2021-2022. We notice that there seems to be a steady decline in mathematics from the 3rd grade. Math builds and scaffolds as students progress. This suggests that foundational skills, which are built in elementary school, may need to be strengthened.

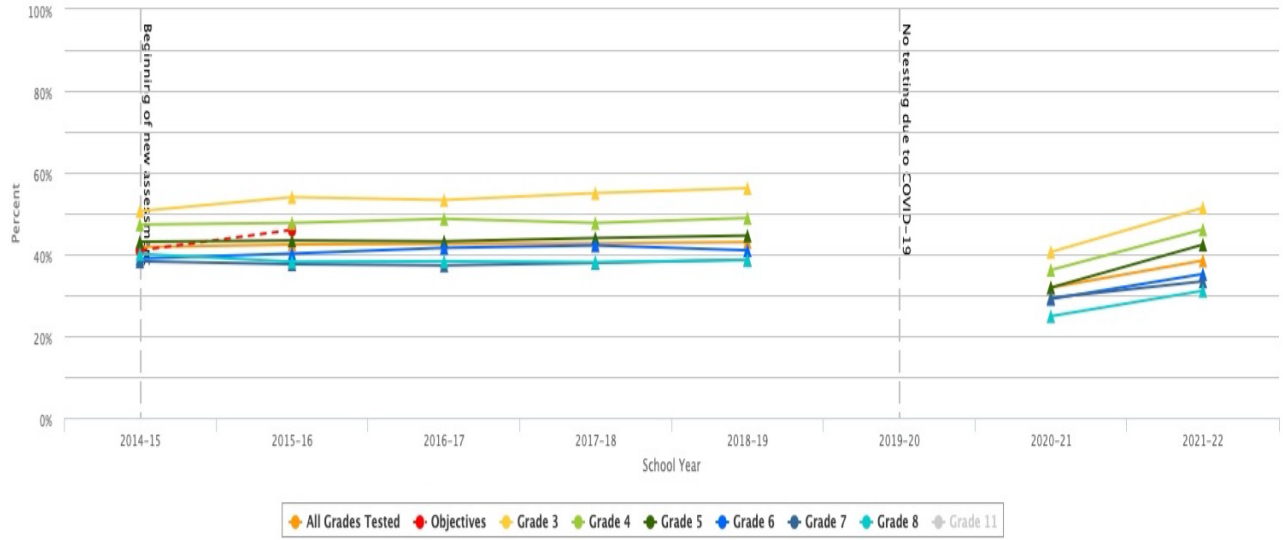
Math Meeting Standard

By Grade & Year for FSY

State of Hawaii

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Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

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HE'E Coalition Director

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Education Institute of Hawai'i

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