

## **Advanced Content in Elementary School** 2021-2022

## What are the recommended guidelines for 4th grade placement in 2021-2022?

For 2021-2022 it is strongly recommended that local schools choose Option 1 of the following options for determining qualified students at their school.

It is strongly recommended that students have a Total Reading or Total Math score on the IOWA of 80% or higher to be screened for Advanced Content.

4<sup>th</sup> Grade AC Reading/ELA –

Option 1: 4<sup>th</sup> grade students must have a minimum of 9 points to qualify for AC coursework in this subject.

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Descriptor	2 points	3 points
Class performance	3' or '3+' - yearly average in 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade Reading	'3' or '3+ - yearly average in 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade Reading AND Language Arts
Motivation	"Strong reader. Completes all assigned work for reading and language arts." (as described by classroom teacher(s))	"Loves to read and/or write. Enjoys a challenge. Completes all work as assigned and often goes above and beyond requirements." (as described by teacher(s))
Achievement	85-89 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Reading on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade IOWA <b>AND</b>	90-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Reading on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade IOWA <b>OR</b>
	Proficient Learner Designation on Milestones in English Language Arts	Distinguished learner designation on Milestones in English Language Arts
	In the absence of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade IOWA Score and Milestone:	In the absence of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade IOWA Score and Milestone:
	Cut-off score determined by local school (within Advanced range) on RI	Cut-off score determined by local school (within Advanced range) on RI
Ability	80-89 <sup>th</sup> %ile Verbal age percentile on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade CogAT	90-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Verbal age percentile on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade CogAT
	In the absence of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade CogAT: 90-95 <sup>th</sup> %ile Verbal age percentile on 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade CogAT	In the absence of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade CogAT: 96-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Verbal age percentile on 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade CogAT

### Option 2: Schools may elect to eliminate the motivation or classroom performance criteria. All 3 remaining criteria must be met.

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Descriptor	Criteria	
Class performance	'3' or '3+' - yearly average in 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade Reading	
Motivation	"Strong reader. Completes all assigned work for reading and language arts." (as described by classroom teacher(s))	
Achievement	90 - 99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Reading on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade IOWA <b>OR</b>	
	Distinguished learner designation on Milestones in English Language Arts	
	In the absence of Milestone and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade IOWA:  Cut-off score determined by local school (within Advanced range) on RI	
Ability	85 - 99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Verbal age percentile on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade CogAT	
	In the absence of 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade CogAT: 90-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Verbal age percentile on 1 <sup>st</sup> grade CogAT	



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4<sup>th</sup> Grade AC Math –
Option 1: 4<sup>th</sup> grade students must have a minimum of 9 points to qualify for AC coursework in this subject.

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Descriptor	2 points	3 points	
Class performance	'3' - yearly average in 3rd grade Math	'3+' - yearly average in 3rd grade Math	
Motivation	"Strong math student. Completes all assigned work for math class." (as described by classroom teacher(s))	"Loves math class and playing with numbers. Enjoys a challenge. Completes all work as assigned and often goes above and beyond requirements." (as described by teacher(s))	
Achievement	85-89 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Math on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade IOWA <b>AND</b> Proficient Learner Designation on Milestones in Math	90-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Math on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade IOWA OR Distinguished learner designation on Milestones in Math	
	In the absence of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade IOWA and Milestone: Cut-off score determined by local school (within Advanced range) on MI	In the absence of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade IOWA and Milestone: Cut-off score determined by local school (within Advanced range) on MI	
Ability	80-89 <sup>th</sup> %ile Quantitative age percentile on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade CogAT	90-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Quantitative age percentile on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade CogAT	
	In the absence of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade CogAT: 90-95 <sup>th</sup> %ile Quantitative age percentile on 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade CogAT	In the absence of 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade CogAT: 96-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Quantitative age percentile on 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade CogAT	

Option 2: Schools may elect to eliminate the motivation **or** classroom performance criteria. All 3 remaining criteria must be met.

Descriptor	Criteria	
Class	'3' or '3+' – yearly average in 3rd grade Math	
performance		
Motivation	"Strong math student. Completes all assigned work for math class." (as described by classroom teacher(s))	
Achievement	90 - 99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Math on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade IOWA <b>OR</b>	
	Distinguished learner designation on Milestones in Math	
	In the absence of Milestone and IOWA:	
	Cut-off score determined by local school (within Advanced range) on MI	
Ability	85 - 99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Quantitative age percentile on 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade CogAT	
	In the absence of 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade CogAT: 90-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Quantitative age percentile on 1 <sup>st</sup> grade CogAT	

What are the recommended guidelines for continued placement from 4th to 5th grade AC?

Descriptor	Criteria	
Class performance	80-100% yearly average	
Milestones	Proficient or Distinguished Learner in the AC course subject	



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## What are the recommended guidelines for 5th grade placement in 2020-2021?

For 2021-2022 it is strongly recommended that local schools choose Option 1 of the following options for determining qualified students at their school.

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## 5th Grade AC Reading/ELA -

Option 1: 5<sup>th</sup> grade students must have a minimum of 9 points to qualify for AC coursework in this subject.

Descriptor	2 points	3 points
Class performance	90-100% - yearly average in 4 <sup>th</sup> grade Reading	90-100% - yearly average in 4 <sup>th</sup> grade Reading <b>AND</b> Language Arts
Motivation	"Strong reader. Completes all assigned work for reading and language arts." (as described by classroom teacher(s))	"Loves to read and/or write. Enjoys a challenge. Completes all work as assigned and often goes above and beyond requirements." (as described by teacher(s))
Achievement	85-89 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Reading on most recent IOWA <b>AND</b> Proficient Learner Designation on Milestones in English Language Arts	90-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Reading on most recent IOWA OR Distinguished learner designation on Milestones in English Language Arts
	In the absence of Milestone: 85-89 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Reading on most recent IOWA AND Advanced designation on RI	In the absence of Milestone: 90-99th %ile Total Reading on most recent IOWA
Ability	80-89 <sup>th</sup> %ile Verbal age percentile on most recent CogAT	90-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Verbal age percentile on most recent CogAT

## Option 2: Schools may elect to eliminate the motivation **or** classroom performance criteria. All 3 remaining criteria must be met.

Descriptor	Criteria	
Class	90-100% - yearly average in 4 <sup>th</sup> grade Reading	
performance		
Motivation	"Strong reader. Completes all assigned work for reading and language arts." (as described by classroom teacher(s))	
Achievement	90 - 99th %ile Total Reading on most recent IOWA OR	
	Distinguished learner designation on Milestones in English Language Arts	
	If the absence of Milestone:	
	85-89 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Reading on most recent IOWA and Advanced designation on RI OR	
	90%+ Total Reading on most recent IOWA	
Ability	85 - 99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Verbal age percentile on most recent CogAT	



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### 5th Grade AC Math -

Option 1: 5<sup>th</sup> grade students must have a minimum of 9 points to qualify for AC coursework in this subject.

Descriptor	2 points	3 points
Class performance	85 - 89% - yearly average in 4 <sup>th</sup> grade Math	90-100% - yearly average in 4th grade Math
Motivation	"Strong math student. Completes all assigned work for math class." (as described by classroom teacher(s))	"Loves math class and playing with numbers. Enjoys a challenge. Completes all work as assigned and often goes above and beyond requirements." (as described by teacher(s))
Achievement	85-89 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Math on most recent IOWA  AND  Proficient Learner Designation on Milestones in Math	90-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Math on most recent IOWA <b>OR</b> Distinguished learner designation on Milestones in Math
	In the absence of Milestone: 85-89th %ile Total Math on most recent IOWA AND Advanced designation on MI	In the absence of Milestone: 90-99th %ile Total Math on most recent IOWA
Ability	80-89 <sup>th</sup> %ile Quantitative age percentile on most recent CogAT	90-99 <sup>th</sup> %ile Quantitative age percentile on most recent CogAT

Option 2: Schools may elect to eliminate the motivation **or** classroom performance criteria. All 3 remaining criteria must be met.

Descriptor	Criteria	
Class performance	90-100% - yearly average in 4th grade Math	
Motivation	"Strong math student. Completes all assigned work for math class." (as described by classroom teacher(s))	
Achievement	90 - 99th %ile Total Math on most recent IOWA OR	
	Distinguished learner designation on Milestones in Math	
	In absence of Milestone:	
	85-89 <sup>th</sup> %ile Total Math on most recent IOWA and Advanced designation on MIOR	
	90%+ Total Math on most recent IOWA	
Ability	85 - 99th %ile Quantitative age percentile on most recent CogAT	

- Due to the challenges posed by the ongoing pandemic, local schools should establish procedures for the 2021-22 school year to review students that are close to meeting eligibility criteria.
- All students must maintain satisfactory classroom performance (≥ 80% average) each quarter to continue receiving AC instruction.