Performance Level Definitions
For Spring 2012 Grade 11

The Performance Level Definitions below reflect the new Michigan Career- and College-Readiness Benchmarks that became effective for the 2011-2012 school year. These new benchmarks require students to attain a higher score than in the past in order to reach the Partially Proficient, Proficient, or Advanced performance levels in the content areas of mathematics, reading, science and social studies.

For more information about the benchmarks and new cut scores for the performance levels, please see the Reporting section at www.michigan.gov/mme.

**Level 1: Advanced**
The student’s performance exceeds the Michigan Career- and College-Readiness Benchmark requirements and indicates substantial understanding and application of key concepts defined for Michigan students. The student needs support to continue to excel and to be career- and college-ready.

**Level 2: Proficient**
The student’s performance meets the Michigan Career- and College-Readiness Benchmark requirements and indicates understanding and application of key concepts defined for Michigan students. The student needs continued support to maintain and improve proficiency and to be career- and college-ready.

**Level 3: Partially Proficient**
The student’s performance indicates a partial understanding and application of key concepts defined for Michigan students and needs assistance in meeting the Michigan Career- and College-Readiness Benchmark requirements.

**Level 4: Not Proficient**
The student’s performance indicates minimal understanding and application of the key concepts defined for Michigan students and needs intensive intervention and support to meet the Michigan Career- and College-Readiness Benchmark requirements.