Understanding 2014 TELPAS Results

Your child’s TELPAS score report includes his or her TELPAS scores from 2014 and 2013. Last year’s scores are provided so that you can see how much progress your child has made in learning English. However, the 2014 TELPAS scores are difficult to compare to the 2013 TELPAS scores because there were significant changes made to TELPAS in 2014:

1) TELPAS reading standards were changed so that student scores align between TELPAS reading and STAAR.
2) The TELPAS composite scores were calculated using new values for reading, writing, listening, and speaking, as well as new composite cut scores.

If your child’s TELPAS proficiency ratings stayed the same or even decreased from 2013 to 2014, this does not necessarily mean that your child’s English skills have stayed the same or decreased. It may be because of the changes to TELPAS in 2014.

More information about the changes to TELPAS can be found in the following documents:

“Changes to TELPAS Starting in 2014”:
http://www.tea.state.tx.us/WorkArea/linkit.aspx?LinkIdentifier=id&ItemID=25769809085&libID=25769809087

“TELPAS Standards Review Questions and Answers”:
http://www.tea.state.tx.us/WorkArea/linkit.aspx?LinkIdentifier=id&ItemID=25769808469&libID=25769808471 (English)
http://www.tea.state.tx.us/WorkArea/linkit.aspx?LinkIdentifier=id&ItemID=25769809086&libID=25769809088 (Spanish)