

## Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS) Prince of Peace Catholic School Results Testing Date: September 2010

A national standardized test like the Iowa Test of Basic Skills is an important tool to measure student academic achievement. Student results on the tests are compared to a national norm to find a “percentile.” Every five years, the national norms are adjusted (as they were in 2005) so that parents and educators know that “average” on the test will always center on the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile.

Below are the Fall 2010 results for Prince of Peace Catholic School. Compare your child’s score to class averages listed below to see where your child stands relative to the whole class.

**Chart #1** shows **National Percentile Rankings**. At POPCS, we like to see numbers for a class average around the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile indicating that students are learning material which is grade-level-appropriate while mastering material with above-grade-level results. The '09 column shows what the *same class* scored one year ago in September 2009.

*Note: National average is always 50<sup>th</sup> percentile*

#1

	3 <sup>rd</sup>		4 <sup>th</sup>		5 <sup>th</sup>		6 <sup>th</sup>		7 <sup>th</sup>		8 <sup>th</sup>	
Year	'09 (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	'10	'09 (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	'10	'09 (4 <sup>th</sup> )	'10	'09 (5 <sup>th</sup> )	'10	'09 (6 <sup>th</sup> )	'10	'09 (7 <sup>th</sup> )	'10
Reading	70	80	75	79	81	82	68	79	75	83	74	77
Language	75	80	82	75	91	92	64	79	78	78	79	86
Math	68	75	81	82	81	85	53	70	68	76	67	74
Core	75	80	80	78	87	88	63	78	75	81	75	81
Composite	75	86	84	79	84	84	66	77	73	79	75	79

**Chart #2** shows **Grade Equivalency**. The national average for on-grade-level achievement is the grade number plus one month. So third grade average is 3.1, fourth grade average is 4.1 and so on. The '09 scores show the grade equivalency for the same class just one year ago in 2009. Average growth would be 1 point between '09 and '10.

#2

	3 <sup>rd</sup>		4 <sup>th</sup>		5 <sup>th</sup>		6 <sup>th</sup>		7 <sup>th</sup>		8 <sup>th</sup>	
Year	'09 (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	'10	'09 (3 <sup>rd</sup> )	'10	'09 (4 <sup>th</sup> )	'10	'09 (5 <sup>th</sup> )	'10	'09 (6 <sup>th</sup> )	'10	'09 (7 <sup>th</sup> )	'10
Reading	2.9	4.3	4.0	5.5	5.6	7.0	6.1	8.3	7.9	10.2	8.9	11.0
Language	2.7	4.2	4.2	5.4	6.9	9.3	6.4	9.1	9.0	10.7	10.6	13+
Math	2.4	3.8	4.0	5.4	5.4	7.0	5.3	7.4	7.2	9.2	8.6	10.6
Core	2.7	4.1	4.0	5.4	5.9	7.6	5.8	8.1	7.9	10.0	9.3	12.2
Composite	2.7	4.4	4.3	5.5	5.8	7.5	6.1	8.4	7.9	10.2	9.4	12.3