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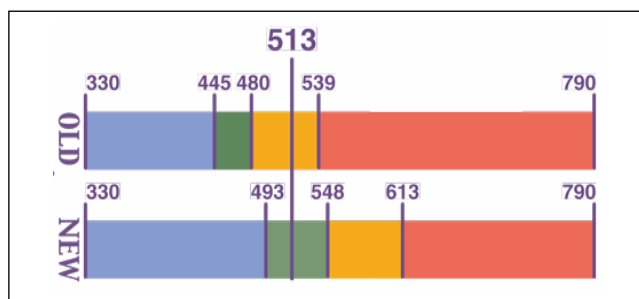
Dear Parents and Guardians:

Each year in Wisconsin, public school students in grades 3-8 and 10 take the Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Examinations (WKCE) for mathematics and reading. The results of these annual assessments provide vital information for students, parents, and educators.

This year Wisconsin raised the WKCE scores needed for students to reach the basic, proficient, and advanced performance levels in reading and math. As a result, across the entire state, the WKCE results will show a decline in the number of students considered to be “proficient” or “advanced.” This does not reflect a change in the abilities of our students, teachers, or school, but rather reflects the higher standards and aspirations we have for our students.

We have a great school at Union Grove Elementary School. Be assured that the staff at UGES is committed to improving the achievement of all of our students. Together, we can strive to have all students ready for their next step in education.

Below is a graph displaying an example of the change for an 8th grade student. A score of 513 with the old cut scores would fall in the “proficient” range. However, under the new cut scores a 513 is considered “basic”.



The following link compares the new and old [WKCE cut scores](#).

Here are some websites you may find helpful for more information on student assessments:

- “Every Child a Graduate: Agenda 2017,” from State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Evers: <http://statesupt.dpi.wi.gov/>
- Wisconsin School Report Cards: <http://reportcards.dpi.wi.gov/>

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us.

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