aimswebPlus Threshold Levels

## 2024-2025

Scores in the table are the minimum values needed for a student to be considered "Progressing" toward future reading success. Scores below these numbers indicate a student who is "At Risk" for future reading difficulty.

| Vendor | Assessment Title | Grade Level | Threshold Level (Cut-point) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Fall |  | Winter |  | Spring |  |
|  |  |  | Tier 2 | Tier 1 | Tier 2 | Tier 1 | Tier 2 | Tier 1 |
| Pearson | aimswebPlus | K | 27 | 49 | 67 | 88 | 82 | 97 |
|  |  | 1 | 19 | 29 | 38 | 52 | 55 | 67 |
|  |  | 2 | 306 | 346 | 340 | 374 | 361 | 389 |
|  |  | 3 | 354 | 392 | 377 | 415 | 394 | 423 |

At each grade and season, students scoring below the Tier 2 cut score are considered at high risk for future reading difficulty (i.e., Tier 3 in an RTI model). Students scoring below the Tier 1 cut score but at or above the Tier 2 cut score are considered at moderate risk for future reading difficulty (i.e., Tier 2 in an RTI model).

All scores are based on the aimswebPlus grade-level composite, which comprises individual measure scores as follows:
Kindergarten: Letter Naming Fluency and Letter Word Sounds Fluency
Grade 1: Oral Reading Fluency
Grades 2 and 3: Oral Reading Fluency, Vocabulary, and Reading Comprehension
In aimswebPlus, tiers and corresponding cut scores are constructed from user-defined end-of-year performance targets. Performance targets are based on national percentiles (15th-70th) and can be set at the school or district level. Setting an appropriate target often requires educators to draw upon historical performance trends in their school, district, and

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state. Taking historical data into account can help educators set performance targets that are tailored to their students' needs. The cut scores in the above table represent a Spring target percentile of 60, which is based on Nebraska's percentage of students achieving at or above proficient ( $\approx 40 \%$ ) on the 2017 end-of-year state test, as reported by The Nation's Report Card (National Assessment on Educational Progress [NAEP]). Additional information regarding Spring target percentiles, including how to select a challenging and achievable target for your school/district that closes the achievement gap, can be found in the aimswebPlus Tiers Guide (available via the aimswebPlus platform).

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