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Aligning the NWEA RIT Scale with the

Nevada Criterion Referenced

Assessment and the Iowa Test of Basic
Skills Routledge

Each year, South Carolina students participate in testing as part of the South

Carolina assessment program. Students in grades 3 through 8 take the Palmetto Achievement Challenge Tests (PACT) in English/Language Arts and Mathematics. Students in grade 10 take the High School Assessment Program (HSAP) in English/Language Arts and mathematics. These tests serve as an important measure of student achievement for the state's accountability system. Results from these assessments are used to make state-level decisions concerning education, to meet "Adequate Yearly Progress" (AYP) reporting requirements of the "No Child Left Behind Act" (NCLB), and to inform schools and school districts of their performance. In addition, students must achieve Level 2 performance on the HSAP in order to graduate from high school. The South

Carolina Department of Education has developed scales that are used to assign students to one of four performance levels on the HSAP. Level 2 is considered the level that represents passing performance. Many students who attend school in South Carolina also take tests developed in cooperation with the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA). These tests report student performance on a single, cross-grade scale, which NWEA calls the RIT scale. This study investigated the relationship between the scales used for the HSAP assessments and the RIT scales used to report performance on NWEA tests. The study determined the reading, language usage and mathematics RIT score equivalents for the HSAP performance levels in English/Language Arts and

Mathematics. Test records for more than 3,500 students were included in this study. Three methods generated an estimate of RIT cut scores that could be used to project HSAP performance levels. Rasch SOS methods generally produced the most accurate cut score estimates. Accuracy of predicting HSAP passing performance was above 88% for all subjects when using the best methodology. Type I errors never ranged above 6% when the best methodology was employed. (Contains 12 tables and figures.).

Using Data to Improve Student Learning in School Districts Springer Nature

Incorporating motivational theory and the authors' administrative experience, this resource presents 10 strategies for

developing a collegial learning community through positive interdependence, reciprocal relationships, and mutual responsibility.

Data-Driven Instructional Leadership F&p Professional Books and Mul

Looking to jumpstart your GPA? Most college students believe that straight A's can be achieved only through cramming and painful all-nighters at the library. But Cal Newport knows that real straight-A students don't study harder—they study smarter. A breakthrough approach to acing academic assignments, from quizzes and exams to essays and papers, *How to Become a Straight-A Student* reveals for the first time the proven study secrets of real straight-A students across the country and weaves

them into a simple, practical system that anyone can master. You will learn how to:

- Streamline and maximize your study time
- Conquer procrastination
- Absorb the material quickly and effectively
- Know which reading assignments are critical—and which are not
- Target the paper topics that wow professors
- Provide A+ answers on exams
- Write stellar prose without the agony

A strategic blueprint for success that promises more free time, more fun, and top-tier results, *How to Become a Straight-A Student* is the only study guide written by students for students—with the insider knowledge and real-world methods to help you master the college system and rise to the top of the class.

K-12 Education: Concepts,

Methodologies, Tools, and Applications

Springer

This important new work covers clinical issues in treating victims of school violence and assessing children with the potential for violence. The editor also examines the effectiveness of prevention intervention programs and offers larger policy recommendations. The book looks at environmental factors such as cultural issues on behaviors from bullying to mass school shootings. And uniquely, the book delves into topics such as sexual boundaries and body image. In all, this book aims for a theoretical and applied picture of the current state of school violence and prevention.

Data Analysis for Continuous School Improvement IAP

The purpose of this study was to see if the intervention program called System 44 was an effective intervention program to use in a special education classroom of 8th graders who had previously been using the same program for the two years prior to their 8th grade year. Students in this study were in the 8th grade and were previously identified as needing special education services and had an Individual Education Plan (IEP). Students were taught reading using the System 44 program. System 44 is a mid-program that focuses on learning fundamentals of reading that starts with the phonemic level and incorporates comprehension and writing. Instruction is divided between three components, whole group instruction, small group direct instruction and

computer software instruction. The data collected was through the computer program System 44 which tracked the student Lexile level and the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessment which tracked students Lexile level and Rasch Unit (RIT) score from the fall semester to the spring semester. The results from this study showed that 100% of the students increased their System 44 Lexile level from the fall semester to the spring semester. The System 44 program was successful for 58% of the students as seen by an increase of student Lexile level score of 100 points or more. According to the MAP assessment, 67% of the students improved their RIT score and the Lexile level from the fall semester to the spring semester. According to the MAP

assessment, 50% of the students met their projected RIT growth goals for the year. In both the System 44 Lexile level and the RIT scores, all students fell below the grade level mean in both the fall and spring semesters. Although students are still not at grade level, they made some gains using the System 44 program. Students will continue to need intervention in the area of reading for their 9th grade school.

Using Data to Improve Student Learning in High Schools Guilford Press

By using carefully constructed measurement scales that span grades, Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) interim assessments from Northwest Evaluation Association" (NWEA") offer educators efficient and very accurate estimates of student achievement status

within a subject. Before achievement test scores can be useful to educators, however, they need to be evaluated within a context. The RIT Scale is a curriculum scale that uses individual item difficulty values to estimate student achievement. An advantage of the RIT scale is that it can relate the numbers on the scale directly to the difficulty of items on the tests. In addition, the RIT scale is an equal interval scale. Equal interval means that the difference between scores is the same regardless of whether a student is at the top, bottom, or middle of the RIT scale, and it has the same meaning regardless of grade level. To that end, 2015 RIT Scale Norms allow educators to compare achievement status-and changes in achievement status (growth) between

test occasions-to students' performance in the same grade at a comparable stage of the school year. This contextualizing of student performance: (1) helps teachers as they plan instruction for individual students or confer with parents; (2) supports school and district administrators as they focus on allocating resources; and (3) empowers school staff as they work to improve all educational outcomes. The 2015 NWEA RIT Scale Norms Study provides status and growth norms for individual students as well as for schools on each of the four RIT scales: Reading, Language Usage, Mathematics, and General Science. The study's results are based on K-11 grade level samples. Each sample is comprised of 72,000 to 153,000 student test records from approximately 1000

schools. These numbers vary by subject. These samples were drawn randomly from test record pools of up to 10.2 million students attending more than 23,500 public schools spread across 6,000 districts in 49 states. Rigorous procedures were used to ensure that the norms were representative of the U.S. school-age population. Since MAP assessments can be administered on a schedule designed to meet a school's needs, tests can be administered at any time during the school year. The 2015 norms adjust for this scheduling flexibility by accounting for instructional days, allowing more valid comparisons for status and growth.

RIT Stability Through the Transition to Common Core-Aligned MAP® Tests. How Using MAP to Measure Student Learning

Growth is Reliable Now and in 2014

Corwin Press

The authors provide ten easy-to-use data analysis tools that facilitate problem-solving at school and district levels. Included are instructions, sample scenarios, reproducible, and case studies.

How to Become a Straight-A Student IGI Global

Counselors make a difference—and now you can prove it. Your counseling makes a difference in the lives of at-risk students every day. To meet accountability standards, though, you need data the number-crunchers can understand. With this user-friendly manual, make the shift to evidence-based practices and interventions in a data-driven, comprehensive school

counseling program based on ASCA's national model. The book includes Visual guides and checklists for every step of the process Examples of successful program evolution Guidance on developing and submitting a successful Recognized ASCA Model Program (RAMP) application Supporting documents in an online resource center

A Study of the Effect the Voyager Passport Reading Journeys Program Has on 9th Grade Student Reading Achievement Based on the Measure of Academic Progress Assessment

Guilford Publications

Primary and Secondary education is a formative time for young students. Lessons learned before the rigors of higher education help to inform learners' future successes, and the increasing

prevalence of learning tools and technologies can both help and hinder students in their endeavors. *K-12 Education: Concepts, Methodologies, Tools, and Applications* investigates the latest advances in online and mobile learning, as well as pedagogies and ontologies influenced by current developments in information and communication technologies, enabling teachers, students, and administrators to make the most of their educational experience. This multivolume work presents all stakeholders in K-12 education with the tools necessary to facilitate the next generation of student-teacher interaction.

Aligning the NWEA RIT Scale with the Pennsylvania System of School Assessment (PSSA) R&L Education

This book helps you make sense of the data your school district collects, including state student achievement results as well as other qualitative and quantitative data. Easy-to-use templates, tools, and examples are available on the accompanying CD-ROM. [Aligning the NWEA RIT Scale with the Maine Educational Assessments \(MEA\)](#) Routledge

Much has been written on the topic of guided reading over the last twenty years, but no other leaders in literacy education have championed the topic with such depth and breadth as Irene Fountas and Gay Su Pinnell. In the highly anticipated second edition of *Guided Reading*, Fountas and Pinnell remind you of guided reading's critical value within a comprehensive literacy system, and the

reflective, responsive teaching required to realize its full potential. Now with Guided Reading, Second Edition, (re)discover the essential elements of guided reading through: a wider and more comprehensive look at its place within a coherent literacy system a refined and deeper understanding of its complexity an examination of the steps in implementation-from observing and assessing literacy behaviors, to grouping in a thoughtful and dynamic way, to analyzing texts, to teaching the lesson the teaching for systems of strategic actions a rich text base that can support and extend student learning the re-emerging role of shared reading as a way to lead guided and independent reading forward the development of managed independent learning across

the grades an in-depth exploration of responsive teaching the role of facilitative language in supporting change over time in students' processing systems the identification of high-priority shifts in learning to focus on at each text level the creation of a learning environment within which literacy and language can flourish. Through guided reading, students learn how to engage in every facet of the reading process and apply their reading power to all literacy contexts. Also check out our new on-demand mini-course: *Introducing Texts Effectively in Guided Reading Lessons* *The Achievement Gap in Missouri* Heinemann Educational Books Recently Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) completed a project to connect the scale of the MEA with

NWEA's RIT scale. Six Maine school systems participated in the study, using test information from a group of over 800 students enrolled in fourth and eighth grade who took both the MEA and NWEA reading and mathematics tests in the spring of 2004. Information from these tests was used in a comprehensive study to identify the capacity of the RIT scale to predict success on the MEA and to identify performance level scores on the RIT scale that would indicate a good chance of success on this test. Three methodologies, linear regression, second order regression, and Rasch status on standards (called Rasch SOS) were used to derive estimates of cut scores. In each case the most accurate of the three estimates was used to arrive at the recommended cut score seen in this

report. Cut scores were estimated for each of the performance levels at grades four and eight for reading and mathematics. (Contains 4 tables and 2 figures.).

The Fluency Construct Corwin Press
Focusing on the unique response to intervention challenges faced by those working in a secondary school—including larger student and educator populations, curriculum specializations, a growing achievement gap, and more—the authors outline three imperative components of a successful RTI program and then provide action steps and examples illustrating how each component should surface within the different RTI tiers.

Minnesota Linking Study Routledge
This study investigated the relationship

between the scales used for the ISTEP+ assessments and the RIT scales used to report performance on Northwest Evaluation Association tests. The RIT scale was developed using Rasch scaling methodologies. RIT-based tests are used to inform a variety of educational decisions at the district, school, and classroom level. They are also used to monitor the academic growth of students and cohorts. Districts choose whether to include these assessments in their local assessment programs. The study estimated the changes in reading and mathematics RIT score equivalents for the ISTEP+ performance levels in those subjects. Test records for more than 20,000 students were included in this study. Three methods generated an estimate of RIT cut scores that could be

used to project ISTEP+ performance levels. Rasch SOS methods generally produced the most accurate cut score estimates. Accuracy of predicting ISTEP+ passing performance was well above 80% for all grades and subjects studied when using the best methodology. The study included test records from over 25,500 students enrolled in 11 Indiana school systems. These students had taken both the state assessment and NWEA assessments in fall of 2004; many had also taken NWEA assessments in spring of 2004. Student records were included when a student had both a valid NWEA scale score and a valid ISTEP+ score in the equivalent subject for the fall season. The primary questions addressed in the study are: (1) What RIT scores correspond to various

performance levels on the ISTEP+ tests? (2) How do these RIT scores differ from the 2003 estimates of performance level?;and (3) How well can performance on the Indiana assessments be predicted from RIT scores when NWEA assessments are administered in the same fall and the prior spring? (Contains 19 tables and 9 figures.)

Boards that Matter Corwin Press

Each year, Montana students participate in testing as part of the state's assessment program. This past spring, students in grades 4, 8, and 10 took Montana Comprehensive Assessment System (MontCAS) tests in reading and mathematics. These tests serve as an important measure of student achievement for the state's accountability system. Results from

these assessments are used to make state-level decisions concerning education, to meet "Adequate Yearly Progress" (AYP) reporting requirements of the "No Child Left Behind Act" (NCLB), and to inform schools and school districts of their performance. The Montana Office of Public Instruction has developed scales that are used to assign students to one of four performance levels on these tests. Many students who attend school in Montana also take tests developed in cooperation with the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA). The content of these tests are aligned with the Montana standards and they report student performance on a single, cross-grade scale, which NWEA calls the RIT scale. This study investigated the relationship between

the scales used for the MontCAS assessments and the RIT scales used to report performance on NWEA tests. The study estimated the changes in reading and mathematics RIT score equivalents for the MontCAS performance levels in those subjects. Test records for more than 4,000 students were included in this study. Three methods generated an estimate of RIT cut scores that could be used to project MontCAS performance levels. Rasch SOS methods generally produced the most accurate cut score estimates. Accuracy of predicting MontCAS passing performance was well above 80% for all grades and subjects studied when using the best methodology. (Contains 14 tables and 5 figures.).

A Study of the Ongoing Alignment

of the NWEA RIT Scale with the South Carolina Palmetto Achievement Challenge Tests (PACT) IGI Global

Each spring, Arizona students participate in testing as part of the state's assessment program. Elementary and middle school students in grades 3 through 8 take the Arizona Instrument to Measure Standards--Dual Purpose Assessment (AIMS DPA) in reading, writing, and mathematics. These tests serve as an important measure of student achievement for the state's accountability system. Results from these assessments are used to make state-level decisions concerning education, to meet "Adequate Yearly Progress" (AYP) reporting requirements of the "No Child Left Behind Act" (NCLB),

calculate status and improvement indicators for AZ LEARNS, the state accountability system, and to inform schools and school districts of their performance. The Arizona Department of Education has developed scales that are used to assign students to one of four performance levels on these tests. Many students who attend school in Arizona also take tests developed in cooperation with the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA). The content of these tests are aligned with the Arizona standards and they report student performance on a single, cross-grade scale, which NWEA calls the RIT scale. This study investigated the relationship between the scales used for the AIMS assessments and the RIT scales used to report performance on Northwest

Evaluation Association tests. The study estimated the changes in reading and mathematics RIT score equivalents for the AIMS performance levels in those subjects. Test records for more than 20,000 students were included in this study. The information gathered in this study came from measures employing the NWEA RIT Scale. Because all of the research that we have to date indicates that scores generated from computer-based tests and Achievement Level Test (ALT) scores are virtually interchangeable, readers should feel comfortable applying the results of this study in any setting that uses the RIT scale. (Contains 14 tables and 6 figures.).

Motivate! Inspire! Lead! Routledge
Recently, the Northwest Evaluation

Association (NWEA) completed a study to connect the scale of the North Carolina State End of Grade (EOG) Testing Program used for North Carolina's mathematics and reading assessments with NWEA's Rausch Interval Unit (RIT) scale. Information from the state assessments was used in a study to establish performance-level scores on the RIT scale that would indicate a good chance of success on these tests. To perform the analysis, we linked together state test and NWEA test results for a sample of 18,730 North Carolina students who completed both exams in the spring of 2013, the term in which the EOG is administered. For the spring season (labeled "current season"), an Equipercntile method was used to estimate the RIT score equivalent to

each state performance level. For fall (labeled "prior season"), we determined the percentage of the population within the selected study group that performed at each level on the state test and found the equivalent percentile ranges within the NWEA dataset to estimate the cut scores. For example, if 40% of the study group population in grade 3 mathematics performed below the proficient level on the state test, we would find the RIT score that would be equivalent to the 40th percentile for the study population (this would not be the same as the 40th percentile in the NWEA norms). This RIT score would be the estimated point on the NWEA RIT scale that would be equivalent to the minimum score for proficiency on the state test. Documentation about this

method can be found on our website. Table Sets 1 and 2 show the best estimate of the minimum RIT equivalent to each state performance level for same-season (spring) and prior-season (fall) RIT scores. These tables can be used to identify students who may need additional help to perform well on these tests. Table Sets 3 and 4 show the estimated probability of a student receiving a proficient score on the state assessment, based on that student's RIT score. These tables can be used to assist in identifying students who are not likely to pass these assessments, thereby increasing the probability that intervention strategies will be planned and implemented. These tables can also be useful for identifying target RIT-score objectives likely to correspond to

successful or "proficient" performance on the state test. Table 5 shows the correlation coefficients between Measured Academic Performance (MAP) and the state test in each grade. These statistics show the degree to which MAP and the state test are linearly related, with values at or near 1.0 suggesting a perfect linear relationship, and values near 0.0 indicating no linear relationship. Table 6 shows the percentages of students at each grade and within each subject whose status on the state test (i.e., whether or not the student "met standards") was accurately predicted by their MAP performance and using the estimated cut scores within the current study. This table can be used to understand the predictive validity of MAP with respect to the EOG.

2011 Normative Data Solution Tree Press
 Now revised and expanded, this volume explains how to design, implement, and evaluate a comprehensive, integrated, three-tiered (Ci3T) model of prevention. Rather than presenting a packaged program, the book provides resources and strategies for designing and tailoring Ci3T to the needs and priorities of a particular school or district community. Ci3T is unique in integrating behavioral, academic, and social-emotional components into a single research-based framework. User-friendly features include tools for collecting and using student and schoolwide data; guidance for selecting effective interventions at each tier; detailed case examples; and tips for enhancing collaboration between general and special educators, other

school personnel, and parents. In a convenient large-size format, the volume includes several reproducible forms that can be downloaded and printed for repeated use. Prior edition title: Developing Schoolwide Programs to Prevent and Manage Problem Behaviors. New to This Edition *Updated step-by-step approach reflecting the ongoing development of Ci3T. *Chapter on evidence for the effectiveness of tiered models. *Chapter on low-intensity, teacher-delivered strategies. *Chapter on sustaining effective implementation and professional development. *"Lessons Learned" feature--reflections and examples from educators in a range of settings.

Leveled Books (K-8) Crown
 Data Analysis for Continuous School

Improvement provides a new definition of school improvement, away from a singular focus on compliance, toward a true commitment to excellence. This book is a call to action. It is about inspiring schools and school districts to commit to continuous school improvement by providing a framework that will result in improving teaching for every teacher and learning for every student through the comprehensive use of data. A culmination of over 30 years of doing the hard work in schools and districts both nationally and internationally, *Data Analysis for Continuous School Improvement* shares new, evidence-based learnings about how to analyze, report, communicate, and use multiple measures of data. The updated edition provides a wealth of

tools, protocols, timelines, examples, and strategies that will help schools and districts become genuine learning organizations.

Common Core Mathematics Standards and Implementing Digital Technologies
Free Spirit Publishing

Each year, Pennsylvania students participate in testing as part of the Pennsylvania assessment program. Students in grades 5, 8, and 11 take tests in reading and math while those in grades 6, 9 and 11 are assessed in writing. These tests serve as an important measure of student achievement for the state's accountability system. Results from these assessments are used to make state-level decisions concerning education, to meet "Adequate Yearly

Progress" (AYP) reporting requirements of the "No Child Left Behind Act" (NCLB), and to inform schools and school districts of their performance. The Pennsylvania Department of Education has developed scales that are used to assign students to one of four performance levels on the state's assessments. These are, from the lowest cut score to the highest: "below basic," "basic," "proficient," and "advanced." For purposes of NCLB, the "proficient" level is considered the level that represents satisfactory performance. Many students who attend school in Pennsylvania also take tests developed in cooperation with the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA). These tests report student performance on a single, cross-grade scale, which NWEA calls the RIT scale.

This study investigated the relationship between the scales used for the PSSA assessments and the RIT scales used to report performance on Northwest Evaluation Association tests. The study determined RIT score equivalents for the PSSA performance levels in reading and mathematics. Test records for more than 2,400 students were included in this study. Three methods generated an estimate of RIT cut scores that could be used to project PSSA performance levels. Second-order regression methods generally produced the most accurate cut score estimates. Accuracy of predicting PSSA passing performance was above 84% for all grades when using the best methodology. Type I errors ranged from about 4% to 8% when the best methodology was

employed. (Contains 14 tables and 3 figures.).