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**Sent time:** Friday, November 18, 2011 12:22:13 PM  
**To:** Cari Miller (Cari@excelined.org) <Cari@excelined.org>  
**Subject:** RE: Updating our White Paper on 3rd grade literacy-based promotion

Cari,

You are brilliant and we all know it. ☺

I thought the same way for a while before I figured it out.

Have a great day and thanks again for all that you do!

Sincerely,

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Actually yes! I'm an idiot! ("qualified" being the key word); I was thinking the percent that were actually retained~my thinking is OFF.

Thanks Kevin!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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**From:** Smith, Kevin [mailto:Kevin.Smith@fldoe.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, November 18, 2011 12:18 PM  
**To:** Cari Miller (Cari@excelined.org)  
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Cari,

Thanks again for your message.

Wouldn't this just be the percent of Grade 3 students scoring Level 1 in Reading? It should be almost exactly the same as last year due to the equipercentile linking in reporting this year's scores. I pulled the data below from this website:

<https://app1.fldoe.org/fcatdemographics/Default.aspx>

|                  | Grade Year | Group Name                              | Total FCAT Equivalent Scores |
|------------------|------------|---|------------------------------|
|                  |            |   | % in Achievement Level**     |
|                  |            |   | 1                            |
| State - GRADE 03 | 3 2011     | Total Students                          | 16                           |
| State - GRADE 03 | 3 2011     | Black or African American, Non-Hispanic | 27                           |
| State - GRADE 03 | 3 2011     | Hispanic/Latino                         | 20                           |

It appears to match up very closely.

Have a great day and thanks again for all that you do!

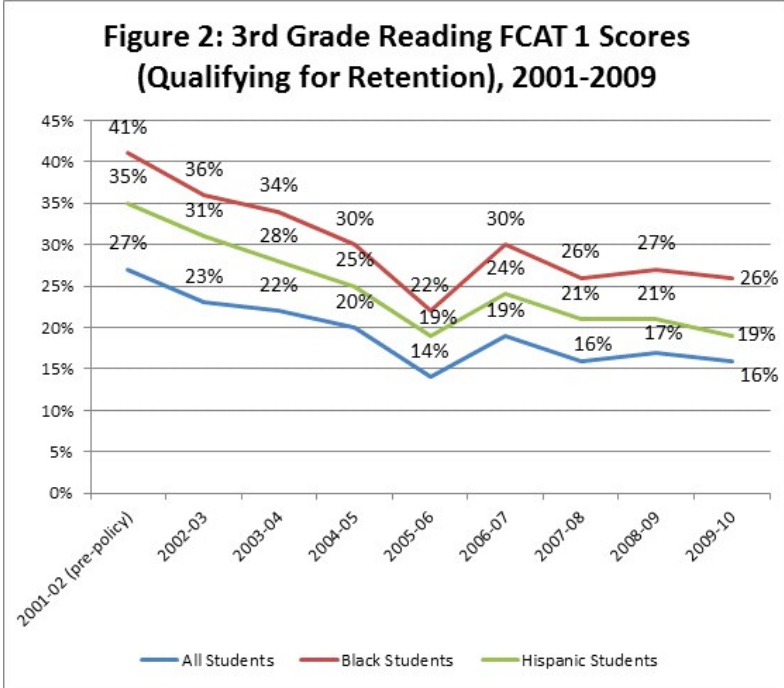
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**To:** Smith, Kevin  
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Hey Kevin,  
I've been asked to update this chart for our literacy-based promotion white paper, and therefore I need 2010-2011 data. Do you know if this data is available yet?

Sincerely,  
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