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Test Benchmarks for NRS Educational Functioning Levels

Adult Basic Education (ABE) and Adult Secondary Education (ASE)

Educational Functioning Level (EFL)	Test Benchmarks
Beginning ABE Literacy NRS Level 1	TABE (11–12) scale scores (grade level 0–1): Reading: 300–441 Mathematics: 300–448
Beginning Basic Education NRS Level 2	TABE (11–12) scale scores (grade level 2–3): Reading: 442–500 Mathematics: 449–495
Low Intermediate Basic Education NRS Level 3	TABE (11–12) scale scores (grade level 4–5): Reading: 501–535 Mathematics: 496–536
High Intermediate Basic Education NRS Level 4	TABE (11–12) scale scores (grade level 6–8): Reading: 536–575 Mathematics: 537–595
Low Adult Secondary Education NRS Level 5	TABE (11–12) scale scores (grade level 9–10): Reading: 576–616 Mathematics: 596–656
Adult Secondary Education NRS Level 6	TABE (11–12) scale scores (grade level 11–12): Reading: 617–800 Mathematics: 657–800