

#### Life changing. World changing.

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## **About CAIS**

- In San Francisco
- 50/50 partial immersion, independent PreK-8
  - Established in 1981
  - 3 campuses
  - Key features: integrated curriculum- across languages, disciplines, DEI, Arts and Design; robust international programs



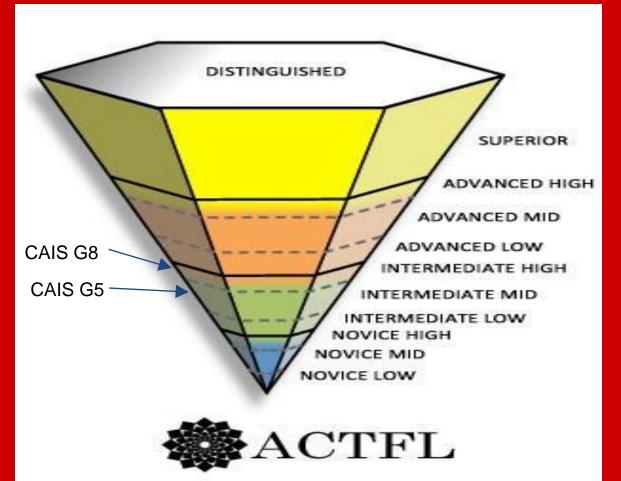


# What is CAIS's Approach to Language Assessment?

- Our own internal assessment provides critical data about student learning
- We want to measure language proficiency using a credible external system, not by comparison
- Assessment is one piece of information about student learning
- We want assessment to be formative assessment



# Step 1: Benchmark Language Proficiency



We decided to benchmark our language proficiency against ACTFL guidelines



# Step 2: Get Teachers Trained





#### Why and How?

- 2003-2007, CAIS already had 5 certified
   OPI testers
- In 2011, 16 CAIS teachers were certified as OPI testers
- In 2014, CAIS ran WPT training; 9 teachers certified as raters
- In 2015, 3rd round of OPI training, CAIS had 13 OPI testers
- Continuous PD for norming, testing skills, instruction, etc.

# Step 3: Communicate with the Community

- We need a reliable assessment to measure language proficiency
- Teachers are trained to administer the assessment
- Explain the pros and cons of these assessments
- Emphasize that assessment is ONE piece of information
- We have data contents, not just the results
- How we use the data

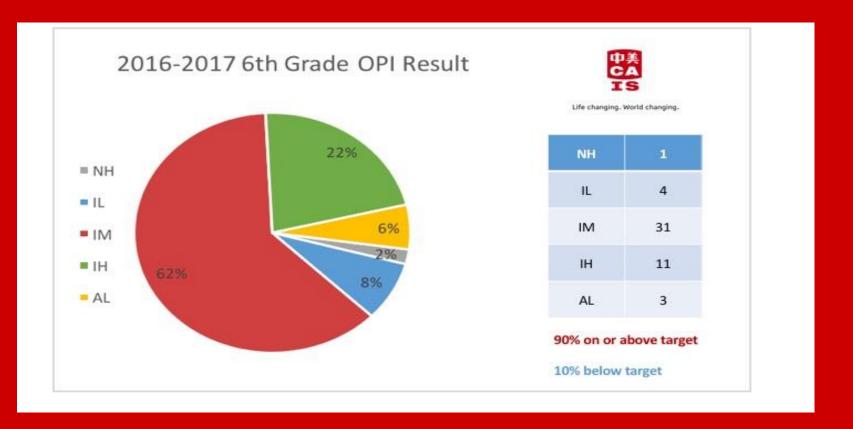


## Step 4: Run Assessments

- OPI:
  - 8th grade in April
  - 5th grade in May
- WPT:
  - Whole school in May
  - 2017-18, change to quarterly, one focus each quarter
- STAMP 4Se:
  - In March, grade 3-5

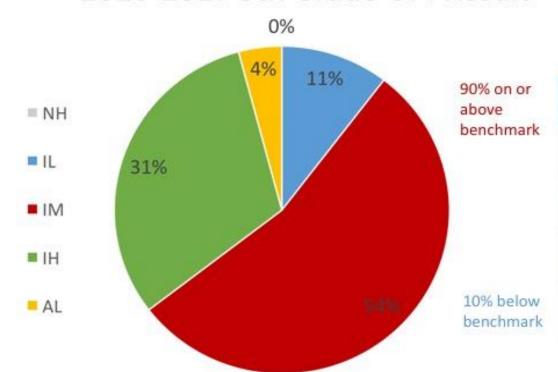


# Step 5: Collect and Analyze Data



### 2016-2017 5th Grade OPI Result





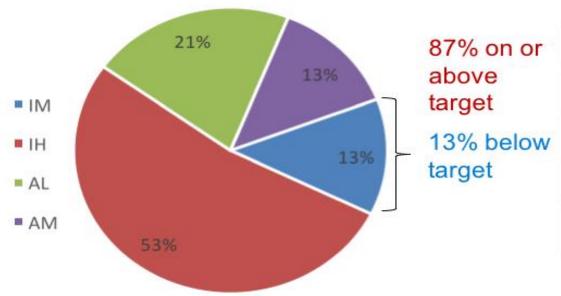
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NH	0
IL	5
IM	26
IH	15
AL	2

#### 2015-2016 8th Grade OPI Result



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IM	5
IH	20
AL	8
AM	5
Total Student	38

## Whole-School Writing Assessment

- Based on WPT
- Sample prompt
- Writing sample

亲爱的丽丽:

你好!你怎么样?你喜欢你的学校吗?我叫做梅瑰,我住在美国,旧金山。我有黄色的头发,蓝蓝的眼睛,我还有一个大大的最!说呀,说!不停的聊天!我有一双眼睛,因为我特别喜欢读书!我也很喜欢些故事。我不高也不矮,可是我跳舞时,表演真棒!我姐姐比我高,高很多!她也比我老,比我聪明。可是她在七年级,我就在五年级。我很爱我的姐姐,可是有时候我们会吵架。

我去中美国际学校;我们半天在中文课,半天在英文课。我的中文老师叫刘老师,我很喜欢她!我们也有金老师,我也很喜欢他!很多同学不喜欢中文课,但是我特别喜欢中文课!因为刘老师总有一个很好玩的课!如果你有刘老师数学,读书和写文都很有趣!我也很喜欢英文课,我有Mr.Masconi,也有Ms.Bonchora。我很喜欢Mr.Masconi,因为每天他让我们玩一个活动,就是五到十分钟的活动可是很好玩。

你喜欢你的老师吗?你喜欢做什么活动?你可不可以给我写一个信像这个所以我可以知道你是什么样的?

如果你到旧金山我们可以去金门桥,和金门公园。那里特别好玩!如果我到中国我们可以做什么?

据你身体好!

十月十九日二零一七年 你的朋友, 梅瑰摹

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## Our Students' Reading/Writing Levels 2016

#### **CAIS** Reading

• G3: 3.35

• G4: 4.7

• G5: 5.17

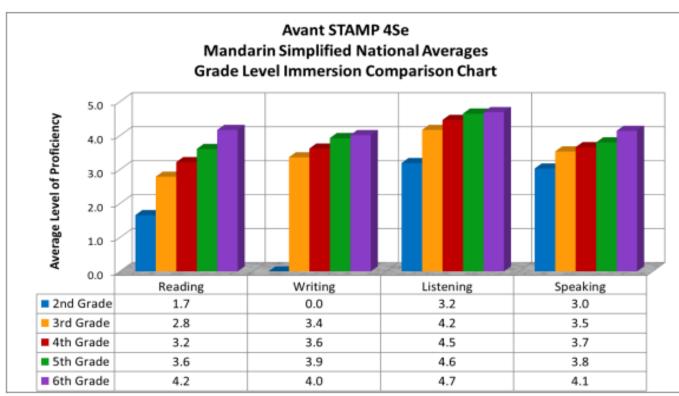
#### **CAIS** Writing

• G3: 3.59

• G4: 4.00

• G5: 4.17





KEY: The numbers 1-6 represent the following levels: 1=Novice-Low, 2= Novice-Mid, 3=Novice-High 4=Intermediate-Low, 5=Intermediate-Mid, 6= Intermediate-High

The numbers for each skill are averages for that particular test group/grade and indicate the average level of achievement for that group. A "2.7" for example, would indicate that this group is approaching Novice-High "3".

## Validate How Well Students Can Perform

#### **CAIS PK-8 Articulation Table**

Grade	Expected Grade Level Expectation (GLE)				
		Oracy		Literacy	
	Listening	Presentational Speaking	Interpersonal Speaking	Reading	Writing
8	AL	IH- AL	IH-AL	IH/ Pre ADV	IH/ PreADV
7	IH-AL	IM-IH	IM-IH	IM-IH	IM-IH
6	IH	IM	IM-IH	IM	IL-IM
5	IM-IH	IL-IM	IM	IL-IM	IL
4	IM-IH	IL	IL	IL-IM	NH-IL
3	IL-IM	NH-IL	NH-IL	NH-IL	NH

# Step 6: Interpret and Learn from the Data

## 听过学生这么说吗?

- 我不可以(看, 听...) 到
- 我上课在学校昨天
- 有没有.....吗?
- 可不可以......吗?
- 我"有"做过
- 我 (想)是....
- 我 "去" X 年级

- ② 我放铅笔在桌上
- ② **它** "是" 很可爱 (高兴), 他"是"10 岁, 他是高
- ② 一 (个) 猫
- ② **和那个**(东西) **我 (知道) 他 和那个**(东西)
- ② 我不知道如果
- ②用"所以"做句子的开头
- 图用"和"来连接句子



<b>很能</b> 说, <mark>语法上</mark> 问 题严重	有段落形成,连接 词的使用不够	句子不完整, 一直"嗯嗯嗯"	词汇量不够,句子 <b>偏短</b>	每样都能描述一点点 , <b>无法深入</b>			
<b>用"<mark>和</mark>"来</b> 连接句子	紧张·没能发挥实 力	用词单一, <b>一直用"</b> 有"	语句内夹杂英文字 like	重 <b>复使用熟悉的</b> 语词 , <b>可以</b> ,喜欢			
量词	不够流畅·、看得 出来正在思考	我 <mark>是15</mark> 岁	说东西没 <mark>系</mark> 统,东 <b>跳西跳</b>	<b>很会</b> 说一天的流程			
这个这个这个	一直用"嗯"	<b>解决</b> 问题的能力很 好,但说不完整	说话自然,很爱说	对学校的话题很熟悉 ,对外面的话题有困 难			
<b>自我介</b> 绍能力很好 , <b>但</b> 倾向 <mark>英文语法</mark>	角色扮演能力强	时间太短 · <b>学生急</b> <b>着要走</b>	<b>基本的</b> 语法 <b>不</b> 应该 <b>再</b> 错了	能拐弯抹角,描述不 熟悉的东西			
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教师C

教师D

教师E

教师A

教师B

# Step 7: Set Goals and Discuss Strategies

# Through TCT

- Foster a Chinese-speaking environment
- Develop skills to solicitate high-quality speech or writing
  - Example:

请告诉我你的房间是什么样子? 请告诉我你的房间里有什么?







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