Appendix 6: DIBELS Composite Score

The *DIBELS* Composite Score is a combination of multiple *DIBELS* scores and provides the best overall estimate of the student's early literacy skills and/or reading proficiency. Most data-management services will calculate the *DIBELS* Composite Score for you. To calculate the *DIBELS* Composite Score yourself, see the *DIBELS Next* Composite Score Worksheets on the following pages. In *DIBELS 6th Edition*, the Instructional Recommendations provided the best overall estimate of a student's early literacy skills and/or reading proficiency. The *DIBELS Next* Composite Score and the benchmark goals and cut points for risk based on the composite score replace the Instructional Recommendations on *DIBELS 6th Edition*.

Benchmark goals and cut points for risk for the *DIBELS* Composite Score are based on the same logic and procedures as the individual *DIBELS* measures; however, since the DIBELS Composite Score provides the best overall estimate of a student's skills, the *DIBELS* Composite Score should generally be interpreted first. If a student is at or above the benchmark goal on the *DIBELS* Composite Score, the odds are in the student's favor of reaching later important reading outcomes. Some students who score at or above the *DIBELS* Composite Score benchmark goal may still need additional support in one of the basic early literacy skills, as indicated by a below benchmark score on an individual *DIBELS* Next measure (FSF, PSF, NWF, DORF, or Daze), especially for students whose composite score is close to the benchmark goal.

Because the scores used to calculate the *DIBELS* Composite Score vary by grade and time of school year, it is important to note that the composite score generally cannot be used to directly measure growth over time or to compare results across grades or times of year. However, because the logic and procedures used to establish benchmark goals are consistent across grades and times of the school year, the percent of students at or above benchmark can be compared, even though the mean scores are not comparable.



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Name: Class:		
	Beginning of Year Benchmark	
	FSF Score = [1]	
	LNF Score = [2]	
	DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–2) =	
	Do not calculate the composite score if any of the values are missing.	
	Middle of Year Benchmark	
	FSF Score = [1]	
	LNF Score = [2]	
	PSF Score = [3]	
	NWF CLS Score = [4]	
	DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–4) =	
	Do not calculate the composite score if any of the values are missing.	
>	End of Year Benchmark	
	LNF Score = [1]	
	PSF Score = [2]	
	NWF CLS Score = [3]	
	DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–3) =	
	Do not calculate the composite score if any of the values are missing.	

First Grade DIBELS® Next Composite Score Worksheet

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Beginning of Yea LNF Score = PSF Score = NWF CLS Score =	[1]
LNF Score = PSF Score = NWF CLS Score =	[1] [2]
PSF Score = NWF CLS Score =	
NWF CLS Score =	[3]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–3) =	
DORF Accuracy Percent Value Do not calculate the composite score if any o	f the values are missing.
$\frac{0\% - 49\%}{50\% - 52\%} = 2$ (Middle of Yea	ar Benchmark
56% - 58% 14 NWE CLS Score -	[4]
50% - 50% 14 10L0 30010 =	[I]
$\frac{3976-0176}{200}$	
<u>627% - 647% 20</u> <u>65% (37% 90</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u> <u>100</u>	
0576 - 0176 - 32	
<u>68% - 70% 38</u> DORF Words Correct =	[3]
<u>/1% - /3% 44</u>	
<u>74% - 76% 50</u> DORF Accuracy Percent: %	
//% – /9% 56 100 × (Words Correct + Errors))	
80% - 82% 62	
83% - 85% 68	
86% – 88% 74 Accuracy Value from Table =	[4]
89% – 91% 80	
92% - 94% 86	
95% – 97% 92 DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–4) =	
98% - 100% 98	
Do not calculate the composite score if any c	of the values are missing.
End of Year	
DORF Accuracy Percent Value	
	ar benchinark
65% - 66% 3	
67% - 68% 9 NWF WWR Score x 2 =	
69% - 70% 15	
71% - 72% 21	[0]
729(749) 97	
75% - 14% 21 TS% - 14% 20 DOBE Accuracy Percent: %	
100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))	
/9% - 80% 45	
81% – 82% 51 Accuracy Value from Table =	[3]
83% - 84% 57	
85% - 86% 63	
87% - 88% 69 DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–3) =	
89% – 90% 75	
91% – 92% 81 Do not calculate the composite score if any of	of the values are missina.
93% – 94% 87	
95% - 96% 93	
97% - 98% 99	
99% - 100% 105	í.

Second Grade DIBELS® Next Composite Score Worksheet

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Name

Name: Class:		
Beginning	of Year	
DORF Accuracy Percent	Accuracy Value	Beginning of Year Benchmark
0%-64%	0	
65% - 66%	3	NWF WWR Score x 2 = [1]
67% - 68%	9	
<u>69% - 70%</u>	15	DORF Words Correct = [2]
73% - 72%	27	DODE Acourson Parcont: 0/
75% - 76%	33	DORF Accuracy Fercent /8
77% – 78%	39	100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))
79% – 80%	45	
81% - 82%	51	
83% - 84%	57	
$\frac{60\% - 60\%}{87\% - 88\%}$	69	DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–3) =
89% - 90%	75	
91% – 92%	81	Do not calculate the composite score if any of the values are missing.
93% - 94%	87	
95% - 96%	93	
97% - 98%	99	
99% - 100%	105	
Middle and Er	nd of Year	Middle of Year Benchmark
DORF	Accuracy	
Accuracy	Value	
Feiceni		Retell Score x 2 = [2]
0% – 85%	0	DORE Accuracy Parcant: %
86%	8	100 x (Wards Correct / (Wards Correct - Emers))
87%	16	100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))
07 /6	10	Accuracy Value from Table = [3]
88%	24	DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–3) =
89%	32	If DORE is below 40 and Betell is not administered use 0 for the Betell value only for calculating the
90%	40	DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composite score if any of the values are missing.
91%	48	
92%	56	End of Year Benchmark
93%	64	DORF Words Correct = [1]
94%	72	Retell Score x 2 = [2]
95%	80	DORF Accuracy Percent: %
96%	88	100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))
97%	96	Accuracy Value from Table = [3]
98%	104	DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–3) –
99%	112	
100%	120	DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composite score if any of the values are missing.

Third Grade DIBELS® Next Composite Score Worksheet

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Name: _

Beginning, Middle, and End of Year		
DORF Accuracy Percent	Accuracy Value	
0% – 85%	0	
86%	8	
87%	16	
88%	24	
89%	32	
90%	40	
91%	48	
92%	56	
93%	64	
94%	72	
95%	80	
96%	88	
97%	96	
98%	104	
99%	112	
100%	120	

Class:	
Beginning	of Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correct	= [1]
Retell Score x 2	= [2]
Daze Adjusted Score x 4	= [3]
DORF Accuracy Percent:% 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))	
Accuracy Value from Table	= [4]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–4)	=
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for th DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composite s	e Retell value only for calculating the score if any of the values are missing.
Middle	e of Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correct	= [1]
Retell Score x 2	= [2]
Daze Adjusted Score x 4	= [3]
DORF Accuracy Percent: % 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))	
Accuracy Value from Table	= [4]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–4)	=
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for th DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composite s	e Retell value only for calculating the score if any of the values are missing.
Enc	l of Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correct	= [1]
Retell Score x 2	= [2]
Daze Adjusted Score x 4	= [3]
DORF Accuracy Percent: % 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))	
Accuracy Value from Table	= [4]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–4)	=
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for th DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composite s	e Retell value only for calculating the score if any of the values are missing.

Fourth Grade DIBELS® Next Composite Score Worksheet

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Name:

Beginning, Middle, and End of Year		
DORF Accuracy Percent	Accuracy Value	
0% - 85%	0	
86%	8	
87%	16	
88%	24	
89%	32	
90%	40	
91%	48	
92%	56	
93%	64	
94%	72	
95%	80	
96%	88	
97%	96	
98%	104	
99%	112	
100%	120	

Class:	
Beginnin	ng of Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correc	ct = [1]
Retell Score x	2 = [2]
Daze Adjusted Score x	4 = [3]
DORF Accuracy Percent: 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors	% S))
Accuracy Value from Tabl	e = [4]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1-4	1) =
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composit	the Retell value only for calculating the escore if any of the values are missing.
Midd	le of Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correc	ct = [1]
Retell Score x	2 = [2]
Daze Adjusted Score x	4 = [3]
DORF Accuracy Percent: 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors	% \$))
Accuracy Value from Tabl	e = [4]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1-4	1) =
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composit	the Retell value only for calculating the test of the values are missing.
En	d of Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correc	ct = [1]
Retell Score x	2 = [2]
Daze Adjusted Score x	4 = [3]
DORF Accuracy Percent: 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors	% \$))
Accuracy Value from Tabl	e = [4]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1-4	1) =
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composit	the Retell value only for calculating the te score if any of the values are missing.

Fifth Grade DIBELS® Next Composite Score Worksheet

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Name: _

Beginning, Middle, and End of Year		
DORF Accuracy Percent	Accuracy Value	
0% - 85%	0	
86%	8	
87%	16	
88%	24	
89%	32	
90%	40	
91%	48	
92%	56	
93%	64	
94%	72	
95%	80	
96%	88	
97%	96	
98%	104	
99%	112	
100%	120	

Class:		
Beginning	0	f Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correct	=	[1]
Retell Score x 2	=	
Daze Adjusted Score x 4	=	[3]
DORF Accuracy Percent: % 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))		
Accuracy Value from Table	= .	
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–4)	=	
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for the DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composite s	e Ret score	ell value only for calculating the if any of the values are missing.
Middle	e of	f Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correct	= .	
Retell Score x 2	= .	
Daze Adjusted Score x 4	= .	[3]
DORF Accuracy Percent: % 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))		
Accuracy Value from Table	= .	[4]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–4)	=	
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for the DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composite s	e Ret core	ell value only for calculating the if any of the values are missing.
Ena	loi	Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correct	= .	
Retell Score x 2	= .	[2]
Daze Adjusted Score x 4	= .	[3]
DORF Accuracy Percent: % 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))		
Accuracy Value from Table	= .	[4]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–4)	= [
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for the DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composite s	e Ret score	ell value only for calculating the if any of the values are missing.

Sixth Grade DIBELS® Next Composite Score Worksheet

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Name: _

Beginning, Middle, and End of Year		
DORF Accuracy Percent	Accuracy Value	
0% – 85%	0	
86%	8	
87%	16	
88%	24	
89%	32	
90%	40	
91%	48	
92%	56	
93%	64	
94%	72	
95%	80	
96%	88	
97%	96	
98%	104	
99%	112	
100%	120	

Class:	
Beginning	of Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correct	= [1]
Retell Score x 2	= [2]
Daze Adjusted Score x 4	= [3]
DORF Accuracy Percent:% 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))	
Accuracy Value from Table	= [4]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–4)	=
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for the DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composite se	a Retell value only for calculating the core if any of the values are missing.
Middle	of Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correct	= [1]
Retell Score x 2	= [2]
Daze Adjusted Score x 4	= [3]
DORF Accuracy Percent: % 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))	
Accuracy Value from Table	= [4]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–4)	=
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for the DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composite so	PRetell value only for calculating the core if any of the values are missing.
End	of Year Benchmark
DORF Words Correct	= [1]
Retell Score x 2	= [2]
Daze Adjusted Score x 4	= [3]
DORF Accuracy Percent: % 100 x (Words Correct / (Words Correct + Errors))	
Accuracy Value from Table	= [4]
DIBELS Composite Score (add values 1–4)	=
If DORF is below 40 and Retell is not administered, use 0 for the DIBELS Composite Score. Do not calculate the composite so	Retell value only for calculating the core if any of the values are missing.