

## 2023-2024 Kindergarten Readiness and Third Grade Reading Analysis

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- 2023-2024 Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA) and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading (3GR) state test scores were analyzed for Summit County.
- Certain demographic trends were observed across both assessments:
  - When comparing average student scores by gender, female students scored significantly higher than male students.
  - When comparing average student scores by race/ethnicity, students of color scored significantly lower than white students.
  - When comparing average student scores by economic disadvantage (ECDIS) status, ECDIS students scores significantly lower than non-ECDIS students.
- For both the KRA and 3GR, average score differences between groups were smallest when comparing genders, larger when comparing by race/ethnicity groups, and largest when comparing students by ECDIS status.
- These findings show that educational disparities are not only present across Summit County, but that they start and persist through early childhood.
- The need to reduce systemic inequities that give rise to these disparities must remain a priority for Summit County, as we see how they disproportionally affect its children and families of color as well as those who are economically disadvantaged.