

When statewide test scores come out for students, are we really seeing the brighter picture for area school districts? Dr. Troy Harcey with the La Crosse School District says no. But he says there are some parents who read past the statewide box score.

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Harcey says it's hard to explain to people sometimes that just because the headlines read test scores low, it doesn't mean that the scores were better than the year before. As in the latest case. In La Crosse, math and reading still improved from last year, and the learning gap for disadvantaged students in La Crosse appears to be shrinking.