

# **Understanding Report Cards**

Learn how to read and interpret National Spanish Exam (NSE) and National Portuguese Exam (NPE) report cards.

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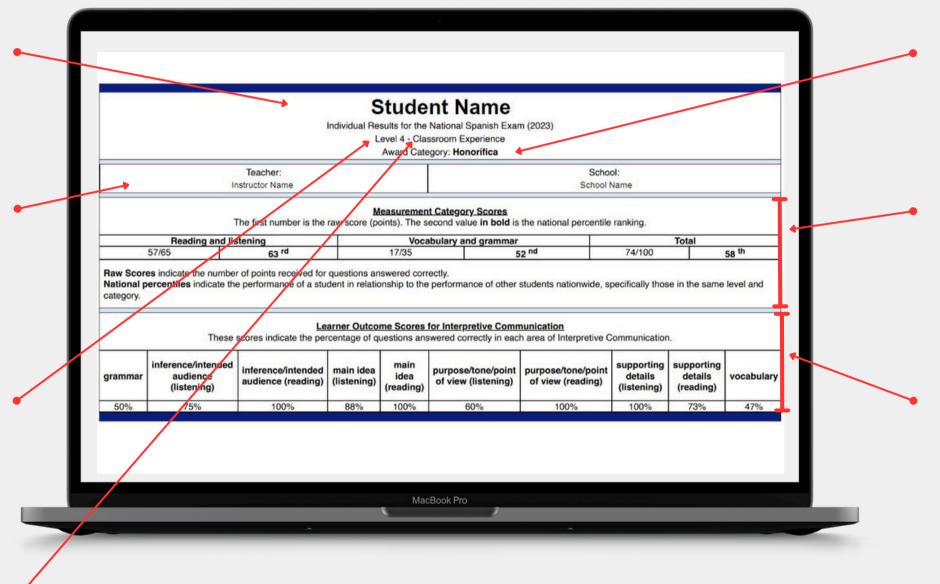


### **Basic Sections**

### Student Name Appears as it was entered on Lingco by the student. Teacher & School Name Appear as they were entered on instructor's Lingco account. Lingco account. Level Shows what instruction level the instructor placed the student in (from 01 - 6).

### Competition Category

The experience level that the student is competing in.



Award Category Shows the award that the student is eligible for. If it is blank, the student is not eligible for an award.

### Measurement Category Scores

Display the student's score and percentile ranking.

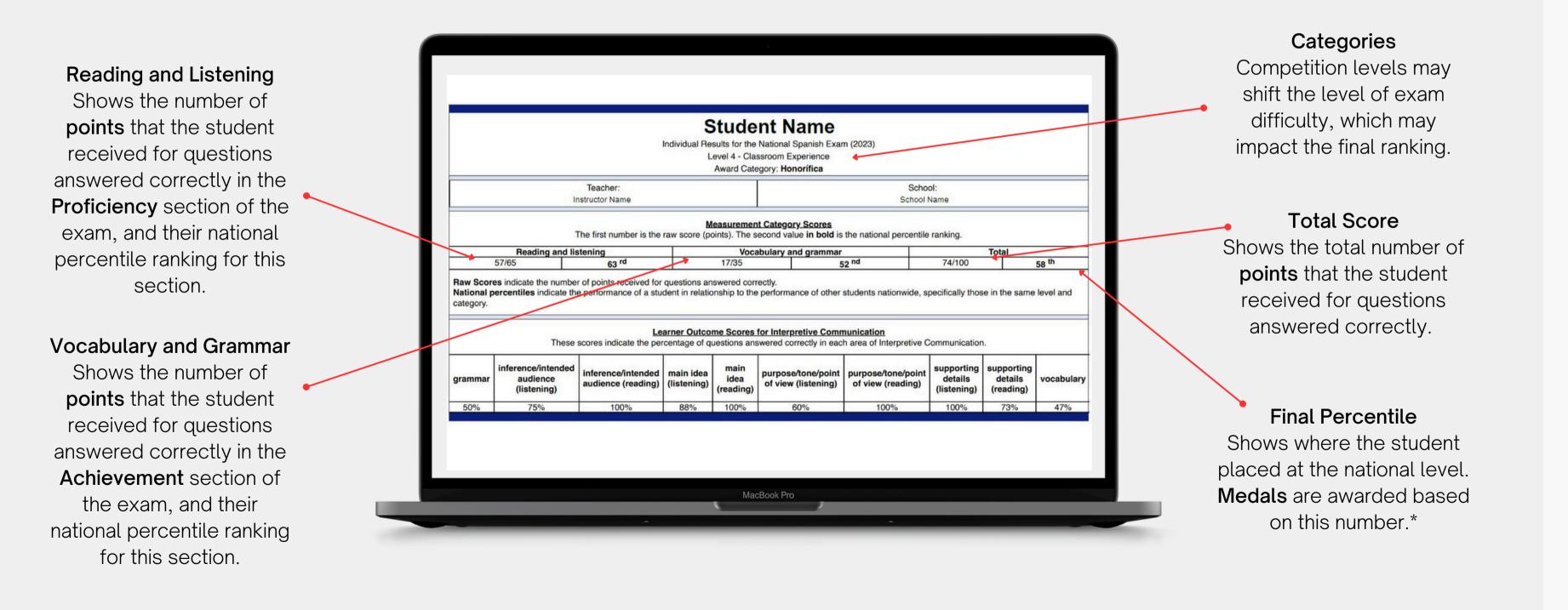
### Learner Outcomes

A breakdown of the student's outcome based on the questions that they answered correctly.



## **Measurement Category Scores**

The NSE and NPE are used to measure performance (interpretive communication) and achievement of students who are studying the Spanish and/or Portuguese language(s) in the United States. This section states how the student scored on the exam individually, and their national percentile ranking.

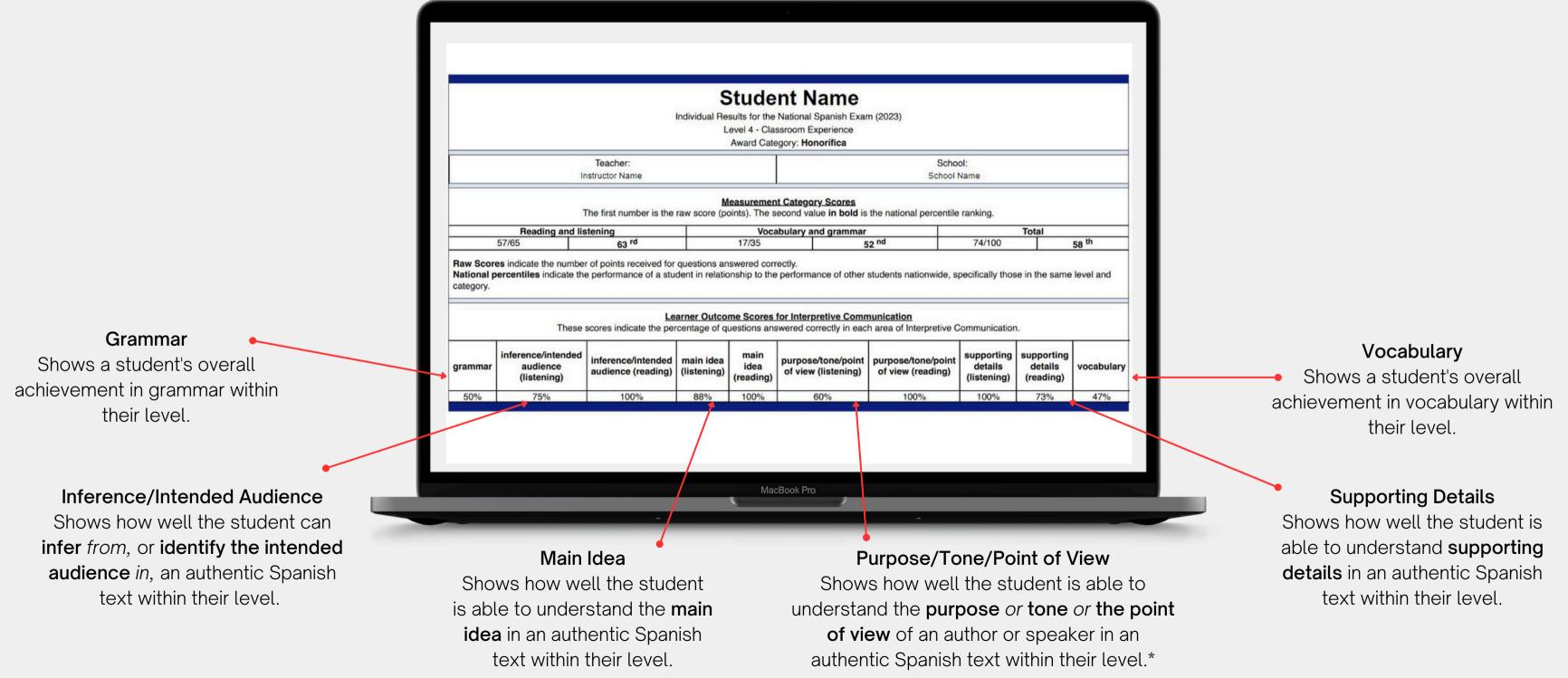


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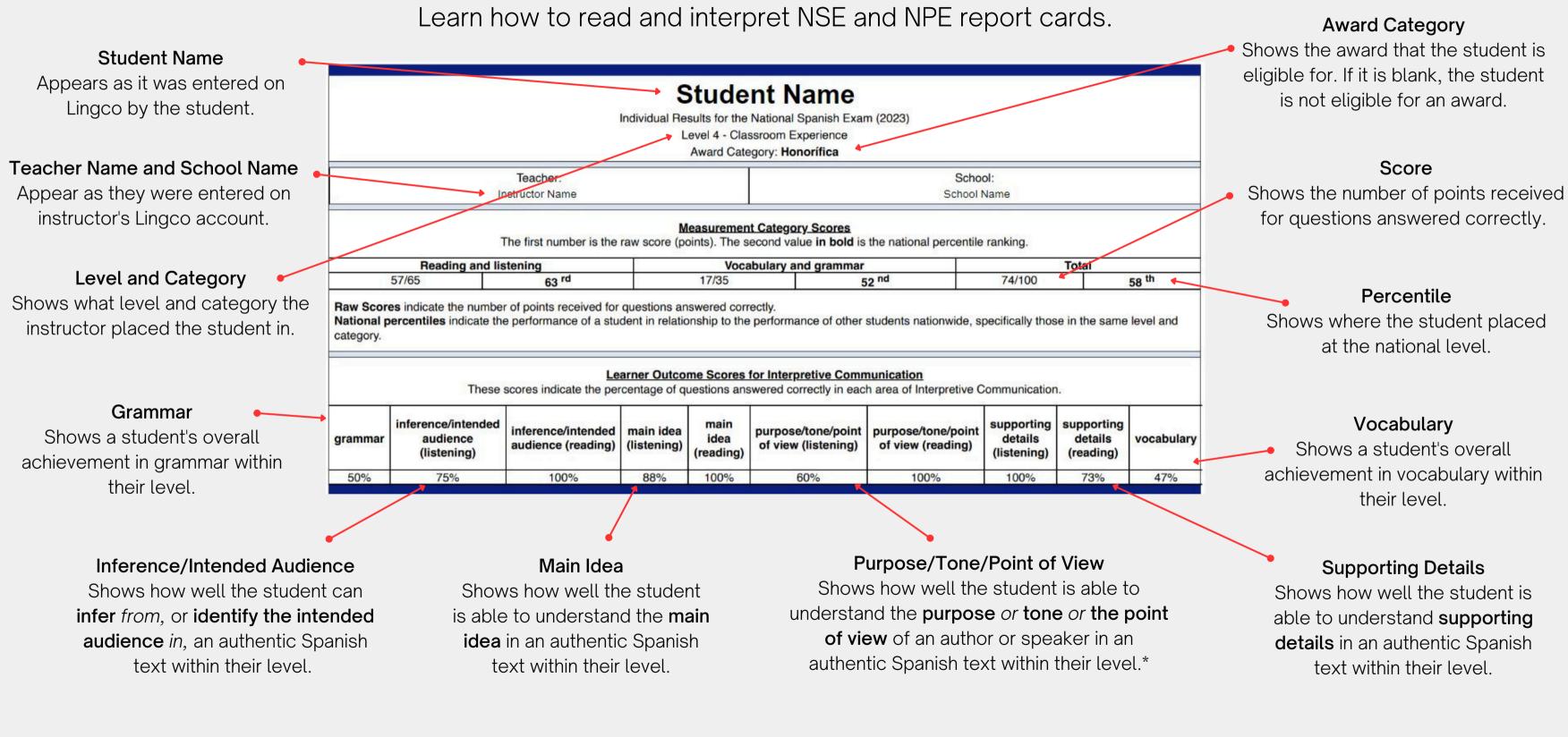
The National Spanish Exam (NSE) and National Portuguese Exam (NPE) evaluate interpretive communication in reading and listening comprehension. This section is an assessment breakdown of the student's proficiency in interpretative communication, given an authentic written or spoken Spanish/Portuguese text.



#### \*Some levels do not measure this outcome.



# **Report Card Breakdown**



their level.

#### **Supporting Details**

Shows how well the student is able to understand supporting details in an authentic Spanish text within their level.



### Awards

### Students with outstanding scores on the NSE/NPE will be recognized as follows:



Medalla de Oro Students scoring at or above the 95th percentile place gold.

Medalla de Plata Students scoring from the 85th - 94th percentile place silver.

Medalla de Bronce Students scoring from the 75th - 84th percentile place bronze.

### Mención Honorífica

Students scoring from the 50th - 74th percentile receive an honorable mention.

Gold, silver, and bronze medals are shipped directly to schools and are included in the price of the exam. NSE Honorable Mention medals are available for purchase at <u>www.nse-store.com</u>.

National Spanish Exam (NSE)





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National Portuguese Exam (NPE)

### Medalha de Prata

Students scoring from the 85th - 94th percentile place silver.



#### Medalha de Bronze

Students scoring from the 75th - 84th percentile place bronze.



## **How Do Students Earn Medals?**

When a student sits for the National Spanish Exam (NSE) and/or National Portuguese Exam (NPE) they are testing their skills in the language and also competing against other students within their level and category. At the national level, the NSE/NPE are scored using both raw scores and percentiles. When national results become available, teachers are able to download their students' results and their report cards. Results include a list of students and their respective raw scores, percentile rankings, and the medals they are eligible for.



Raw Scores – The number of points received for questions answered correctly.



National Percentiles - Indicates the performance of a student in relationship to the performance of other students nationwide, specifically those in the same level and category.



What's The Difference? Percentage and percentile are two different concepts. While the percentage shows the individual score out of 100, the percentile shows a comparison. Percentage tells us the value in terms of 100, and percentile is a relative quantity that shows us a comparison of the given value with the rest of the data which is lesser than the given specific value.

For example, if a student scores 43 points out of a weight of 60, then their **percentage** is expressed as 72%. On the other hand, if the student's percentile in an examination is given as 75, this means that they scored better than 75% of the students who sat for the exam in the same year, level, and category.

Percentiles show where the student ranks nationally compared to all of the students who also sat for the NSE/NPE in that same year, level, and category. For example, if a Level 3 student in the Classroom Experience category receives a percentile of 84, this indicates that the student answered more test items correctly than 84% of Level 3 students in the Classroom Experience category nationwide.

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