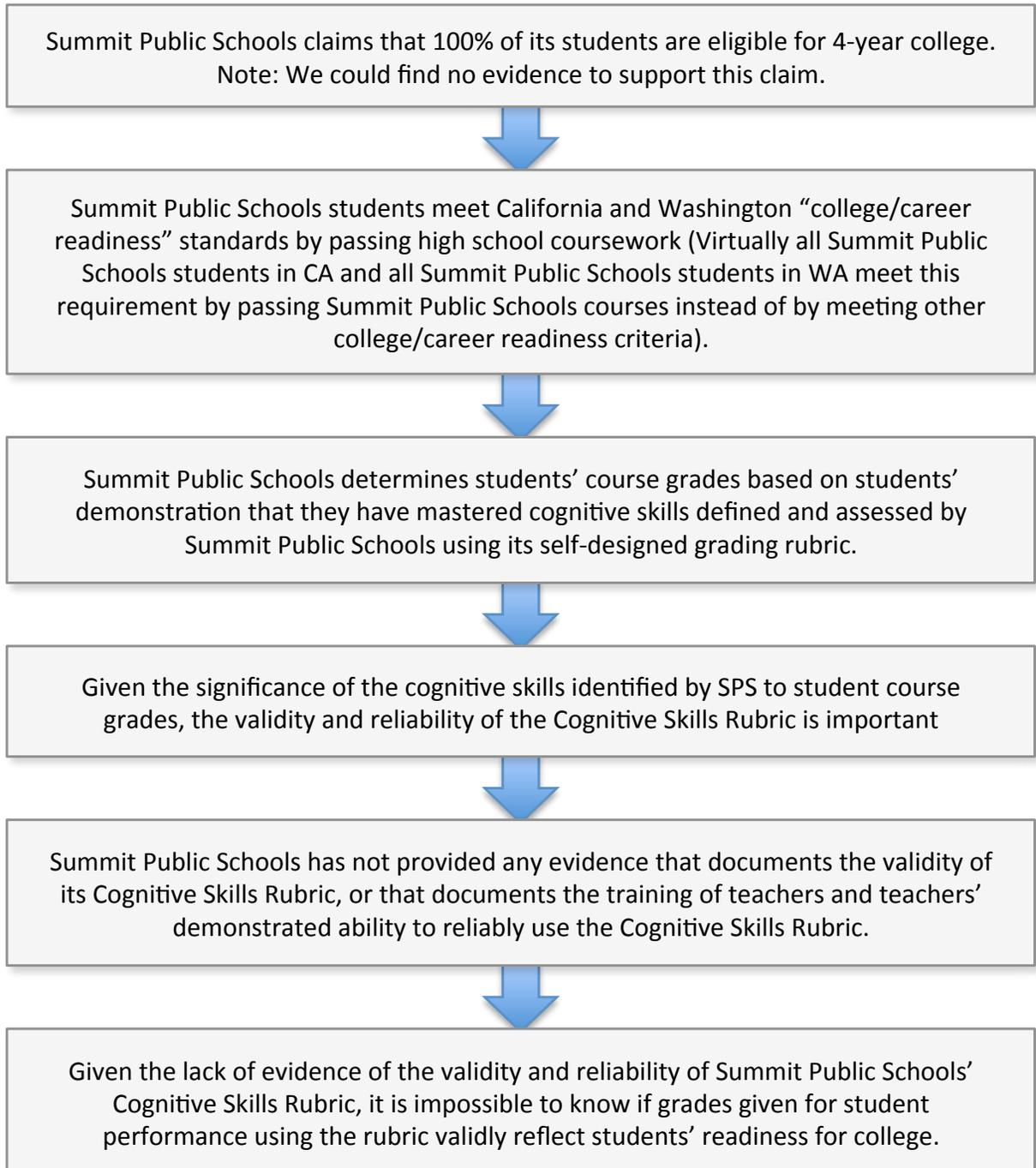


## Appendix G1: Summit Public Schools College Readiness Claim

Below, we examine the claim, “100% eligible for 4-year college.” See [pages 10-13](#) for more detail.



## Appendix G2: Correspondence with Stanford Center for Assessment, Learning, and Equity (SCALE) Regarding the Validation of the Cognitive Skills Rubric

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 **Faith Boninger <fboninger@gmail.com>**

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**Faith Boninger <fboninger@gmail.com>** Thu, Aug 22, 2019 at 10:01 AM  
To: lgutmann@stanford.edu

Hi Laura.  
I wonder if you can help connect me to someone at SCALE who I can talk to about the project that your group did for Summit Public Schools. I'm doing some research on Summit's program, and have read that its Cognitive Skills Rubric had been validated by SCALE. I'm not clear about what that means, and would love to talk to someone involved in the project in order to learn more.  
Looking forward to hearing from you.  
Best,  
Faith

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**Faith Boninger <fboninger@gmail.com>** Mon, Aug 26, 2019 at 8:17 AM  
To: lgutmann@stanford.edu

Hi Laura.  
Just following up on my email below. I wonder if you can help connect me to someone at SCALE who I can talk to about the project that your group did for Summit Public Schools. I'm doing some research on Summit's program, and have read that its Cognitive Skills Rubric had been validated by SCALE. I'm not clear about what that means, and would love to talk to someone involved in the project in order to learn more.  
Looking forward to hearing from you.  
Best,  
Faith  
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**Laura Gutmann <lgutmann@stanford.edu>** Mon, Aug 26, 2019 at 1:21 PM  
To: Faith Boninger <fboninger@gmail.com>

Hi Faith -

Sorry for the delay - have been traveling and just catching up on emails. I will forward your email to a colleague who I believe worked on that rubric development, although the other main person on the project is no longer at SCALE. From what I understand, yes, we provided some validity-related support when it was first piloted.

I'll see if my colleague can give more insight about the specifics and reply to you.

Thanks!  
Laura

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**From:** Faith Boninger <[fboninger@gmail.com](mailto:fboninger@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 26, 2019 8:17:13 AM  
**To:** Laura Gutmann <[lgutmann@stanford.edu](mailto:lgutmann@stanford.edu)>  
**Subject:** Re: Questions about project with Summit Public Schools

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**Faith Boninger** <[fboninger@gmail.com](mailto:fboninger@gmail.com)>  
To: Laura Gutmann <[lgutmann@stanford.edu](mailto:lgutmann@stanford.edu)>

Mon, Aug 26, 2019 at 1:29 PM

That's great, Laura. Thanks a lot.  
Best,  
Faith

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**Laura Gutmann** <[lgutmann@stanford.edu](mailto:lgutmann@stanford.edu)>  
To: Faith Boninger <[fboninger@gmail.com](mailto:fboninger@gmail.com)>

Mon, Aug 26, 2019 at 6:07 PM

Hi Faith -

My colleague who knows a bit more about the project said to pass on that:

SCALE (including subject matter experts) wrote the rubrics and benchmarked the levels to grade level standards (CCSS, NGSS, and C3 standards).

Hope that helps!

Best,  
Laura

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**From:** Faith Boninger <[fboninger@gmail.com](mailto:fboninger@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 26, 2019 1:29:17 PM

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**Faith Boninger** <[fboninger@gmail.com](mailto:fboninger@gmail.com)>  
To: Laura Gutmann <[lgutmann@stanford.edu](mailto:lgutmann@stanford.edu)>

Tue, Aug 27, 2019 at 7:53 AM

Yes, thank you. Is there a write-up that I can look at?

Best,  
Faith

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**Faith Boninger** <[fboninger@gmail.com](mailto:fboninger@gmail.com)>  
To: Laura Gutmann <[lgutmann@stanford.edu](mailto:lgutmann@stanford.edu)>

Fri, Aug 30, 2019 at 11:13 AM

Hi Laura.  
I'm just following up from my e-mail earlier in the week. Would you please send me documentation that explains how the rubrics were created and benchmarked to grade level standards?

Thanks,  
Faith

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**Laura Gutmann** <lgutmann@stanford.edu>  
To: Faith Boninger <fboninger@gmail.com>

Fri, Aug 30, 2019 at 11:15 AM

Hi Faith –

Yes, I have been digging around but don't have any additional info to share with you at this time – if I find something in the future, I'll be sure to let you know! However, you may want to contact Summit directly to see if they have their own documentation of this project, as it was several years ago, and the lead staff who consulting on this project are no longer at SCALE.

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**Faith Boninger** <fboninger@gmail.com>  
To: Laura Gutmann <lgutmann@stanford.edu>

Sun, Sep 1, 2019 at 2:43 PM

Thanks!  
Faith

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**Faith Boninger** <fboninger@gmail.com>  
To: Laura Gutmann <lgutmann@stanford.edu>

Tue, Feb 4, 2020 at 2:03 PM

Hi Laura,  
Sorry to bother you, but I just ran into another couple of question about the Summit Public Schools' Cognitive Skills Rubric, that I hope you can answer:

1. It says on the SCALE website (<https://scale.stanford.edu/content/summit-public-schools>) that the date of completion was "anticipated" as June 2014. Was it completed then?

2. An *Education Week* article ([here](#)) refers to a "team of academic experts at Stanford." Is that SCALE? Here's how the article, which was published in March 2016, describes the project: "From the beginning, it was clear that making Khan Academy work in Summit schools would take a collaborative effort. Carter worked with a team of academic experts from Stanford on integrating the new online tools into Summit's curriculum, which was shifting to merge project-based learning with a focus on helping students "learn about how they learn."

Thanks again for your help!

Faith

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**Faith Boninger** <fboninger@gmail.com>  
To: Laura Gutmann <lgutmann@stanford.edu>

Fri, Feb 21, 2020 at 12:10 PM

Hi Laura.

I'm just following up on my questions from a few weeks ago. I hope you can find the time to answer them. They are:

1. It says on the SCALE website (<https://scale.stanford.edu/content/summit-public-schools>) that the date of completion was "anticipated" as June 2014. Was it completed then?

2. An *Education Week* article ([here](#)) refers to a "team of academic experts at Stanford." Is that SCALE? Here's how the article, which was published in March 2016, describes the project: "From the beginning, it was clear that making Khan Academy work in Summit schools would take a collaborative effort. Carter worked with a team of academic experts from Stanford on integrating the new online tools into Summit's curriculum, which was shifting to merge project-based learning with a focus on helping students "learn about how they learn."

Also, has SCALE updated the Cognitive Skills Rubric in recent years? If so, when?

Thanks much for your help!

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**Faith**

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**Laura Gutmann** <[lgutmann@stanford.edu](mailto:lgutmann@stanford.edu)>  
To: Faith Boninger <[fboninger@gmail.com](mailto:fboninger@gmail.com)>

Tue, Aug 27, 2019 at 7:53 AM

I am currently out of the office and will return your message as soon as possible! Thank you!

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**Laura Gutmann** <[lgutmann@stanford.edu](mailto:lgutmann@stanford.edu)>  
To: Faith Boninger <[fboninger@gmail.com](mailto:fboninger@gmail.com)>

Fri, Feb 21, 2020 at 12:11 PM

I am currently traveling out the country and will get back to you as soon as possible when I return. If you need immediate assistance with edTPA conference questions, please contact [nmerino@stanford.edu](mailto:nmerino@stanford.edu).

Thank you!

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