Three Tips for Writing Powerful Narrative Statements

1. Keep it simple - communicate a single idea about student performance.
   “7th grade reading achievement on the ISAT increased 34% between 2017 and 2015.”

2. Make the narrative statement short and easy to read.
   “The number of English Language Learners at our school increased from 25 to 45 between 2015 and 2017.”

3. Avoid evaluative statements—just describe what you see in the data, not why or what to do about it.
   “38% of our parents state they do not receive information about ways to help their children learn at home.”