

Source of Requirement	Purpose	Assessment	Subject	Grades	Assessment Window	Estimated Assessment Time	Timeline and format for disseminating results
State Required Assessment	To measure students progress toward Minnesota's academic standards and meet the requirements of federal Elementary and Secondary Educations Act (ESEA)	MCA-III Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment III is an online assessment containing multiple choice and technology enhanced items	Reading	3-5	STATE: Mar 6-May 5 DISTRICT: Mar 20-May 5*	1-2.5 hours	Preliminary results available through ParentVUE within 1 week of testing. Final results mailed home or given to families in the fall.
				6-8		1-2.5 hours	
				10		1-2.5 hours	
			Math	3-5		1.5-2 hours	
				6-8		1-2.5 hours	
				11		1-2 hours	
		Science	5	STATE: Mar 6-May 12 DISTRICT: Mar 20-May 12*	0.5-1.5 hours		
			8		0.5-1.5 hours		
			High School (generally grade 10)		0.5-1.5 hours		
		MTAS-III Minnesota Test of Academic Skills is an alternate assessment for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. It is a performance-based assessment administered and scored by the test administrator using a script and a task-specific scoring rubric.	Reading	3-8 & 10	STATE: Mar 6-May 5 DISTRICT: Mar 20-May 5*	45- 90 minutes	
Math	3-8 & 11		30-60 minutes				
Science	5, 8, & 10		30-60 minutes				
State Required Assessment	To measure English language proficiency based on Minnesota Standards for English Language Development and to meet the requirements of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education ACT (ESEA)	ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 Access for ELLs is an online assessment containing multiple choice & technology enhanced, items (Listening & Reading). Students respond to prompts by writing or typing (Writing) and speaking (Speaking).	Listening, Reading, Writing, & Speaking	Kindergarten	STATE: January 30-March 24 DISTRICT: January 30-March 8*	45 minutes individually administered	EL Teachers share preliminary results with families in May. Final results available in ParentVUE in July. Final results mailed home to families in October.
			Listening	1-12		Up to 40 minutes	
			Reading	1-12		Up to 35 minutes	
			Writing	1-12		Up to 65 minutes	
			Speaking	1-12		Up to 30 minutes	
		Alternate ACCESS for ELLs This is an individually administered English language proficiency assessment developed specifically for English learners who have significant cognitive disabilities.	Listening	1-12		up to 20 minutes	
			Reading	1-12		up to 20 minutes	
			Writing	1-12		up to 20 minutes	
			Speaking	1-12		up to 20 minutes	
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State Required Assessment	To demonstrate skills and knowledge necessary for success beyond high school	ACT The ACT is a multiple choice exam administered on paper.	English	11	April 4	45 minutes	Results mailed to student by ACT 2-3 weeks after testing. Results available in ParentVUE 4-6 weeks after testing.
			Math			60 minutes	
			Reading		Make-up- April 18	35 minutes	
			Science			35 minutes	
State Sponsored	To gain insights into the world of students and their experiences	Minnesota Student Survey (MSS) This voluntary, anonymous survey provides valuable information about issues vital to the health, safety and academic success of young people.		5, 8, 9, & 11	Not Applicable for School Year 22-23	45 minutes	Results are reported by State, County, and District
State Required Assessment	To demonstrate knowledge of US History & Government	Civics Test The Civics Exam is a 50 question multiple choice exam administered as part of US History course.		10	Completed before Quarter 1 End (November 4)	45 minutes	Results available in ParentVUE
Local Assessment	To monitor students' progress toward Kindergarten Readiness	Teaching Strategies Gold (TS GOLD) Authentic, ongoing, observation-based assessment in natural environment	Cognitive, Language, Social-Emotional, Literacy & Mathematics Physical (optional)	Pre-K (ages 3-5)	FALL Sept 12- Nov 11	collection of evidence embedded in instructional time	Results shared with families during communication times
					WINTER No Data Collection		
					SPRING Mar 20 - April 28		

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Local Assessment (meet MN Read Well by Grade 3 Plan)	To monitor students' progress toward Reading Well by Grade 3	AimswebPlus The AimswebPlus fluency measures are individually administered. Students read the letters, sounds or words they observe. Teachers record the student's accuracy and last item read.	Letter Naming & Letter Word Sound Fluency	Kindergarten	FALL September 12-30	5 minutes	Teachers share student progress during Communication Nights. Results available in ParentVUE at the end of each testing window.
			Phoneme Segmentation	K & 1	WINTER January 3-31		
			Nonsense Word Fluency	1	SPRING April 24-May 19		
			Reading Fluency	1-3			
		Benchmark Assessment System (BAS) BAS is individually administered. The student reads aloud and talks about the book(s) read while the teacher observes. Students also have a Comprehension Conversation.	Reading skills & comprehension	Kindergarten	WINTER Completed by Jan 31 SPRING Completed by May 19	20-40 minutes	
				1-3	SPRING Completed by May 25		
	Letter Naming- lower & upper case letter identification	Letter Identification	K	FALL Sept 12-30	5-10 minutes		
	Snap (high frequency) Words Administered individually, teacher records accuracy as student reads words.	Sight Word Recognition	Kindergarten	WINTER Jan 3-20 SPRING May 1-19	5-10 minutes		
Local Assessment	Adaptive assessment used for measuring proficiency (RIT Score aligned to content ready to learn) and growth (unique student projected targets)	NWEA Measures of Academic Progress (MAP GROWTH) MAP Growth is a computer-adaptive test. If a student answers the first multiple choice question correctly the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. Every student gets a unique assessment that can determine their academic level and what they are ready to learn next.	Reading & Math	K-12 OPTIONAL	FALL Sept 19-Oct 19 WINTER Jan 9-Feb 10	40-120 minutes	Results available in ParentVUE within 3 days of testing. Results mailed to families at the end of the testing window.
				2,4,6,& 7 Other Grades- OPTIONAL	SPRING Mar 20- May 25		

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Local Assessment	To monitor student progress toward college and career readiness	PreACT The PreACT is a multiple choice test administered on paper. It simulates the ACT testing experience within a shorter test on all four ACT test subjects.	English	10	October 11-28	30 minutes	Results shared with families and available in ParentVUE 4 weeks after testing.
			Math			40 minutes	
			Reading			30 minutes	
			Science			30 minutes	
		PreACT 8/9 The PreACT8/9 is a multiple choice test administered on paper. It simulates the ACT testing experience within a shorter test on all four ACT test subject.	English	8	October 11-28	30 minutes	
			Math			30 minutes	
			Reading			30 minutes	
			Science			30 minutes	
National (College Equivalency)	Administered at the completion of rigorous college level course work. Proficient scores may be used for college course placement or credit.	Advanced Placement (AP) AP Exams are paper exams that contain both multiple choice and free response items. Registration is required to participate.	Various subjects	9-12 OPTIONAL	May 1-12 Make-up: May 17-19	Exam times may vary	Results visible in student's College Board account in July. Results available in ParentVUE in Sept.
		College Level Equivalency Program (CLEP) CLEP Exams are online exams with multiple choice items. Registration is required to participate.			Oct 30 - Nov 11 Jan 17- Feb 3 May 22 - June 2 Summer Upon Request	90 minutes	Results given to student at completion of test. Results visible in student's College Board account within 1 week of testing.
National	National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Exam	PSAT-NMSQT PSAT Exams are paper exams with multiple choice items. Registration is required to participate.	Reading Writing & Language Math	11 OPTIONAL	October 12 Make up: Oct 25	60 minutes 35 minutes 70 minutes	Results visible in student's College Board account in December
National	Required for federal accountability	National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) NAEP are administered online to a sample of students	Reading Math	4 & 8	Not Applicable for School Year 22-23	90-100 minutes	Results reported to State only

* Exact Dates for Administration by School, Grade, and Subject will be posted 2 weeks before testing begins.

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