MAP ASSESSMENT January 25 & 26, 2022 INFORMATION FOR PARENTS & CAREGIVERS



The MAP assessments are a series of computer-adaptive tests in reading and math. In a computer-adaptive test, if your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. CMS uses the MAP assessments to academically screen students in order to determine what a student knows and is able to do. In CMS, we administer MAP Reading Fluency, MAP Reading Growth, and MAP Math Growth assessments.



All students in kindergarten through eighth grade are required* to participate in the MAP assessments in the fall, winter, and spring. The MAP assessments that we administer meet the testing requirements in the North Carolina Read to Achieve legislation as well as the requirement that we universally screen all students.

- K-3 students take the MAP Reading Fluency assessment
- K-8 students take the MAP Reading Growth assessment
- K-8 students take the MAP Math Growth assessment



The MAP assessments are required* for all students in kindergarten through eight grade, three times per year. The testing windows for the MAP assessments are provided by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI). The MAP assessments are given during the months of September, January, and April/May.



Your child will take their MAP assessments on either their CMS-issued devices (iPad or Chromebook) or on their personal devices. To access the MAP Growth assessments, students will need a session name and session password, provided by their teacher, to access the assessment. To access the MAP Reading assessments, students will need a username and password, provided by their teacher, to access the assessment. Your child's teacher will schedule the date and time for their assessment.



The best way to prepare your child is to ensure that your child is well rested and has a quiet, distraction free area to test. The best thing about the MAP assessments is that there is nothing to study for! Your child will know about 50% of the answers on the assessment - and that is perfectly okay! The goal is to see what your child is able to do <u>independently</u>...so please do not assist by providing answers.



Your child's teacher will get instant results from your child's MAP assessments. They will use the MAP results to inform how they plan instruction for your child. They will use the results to personalize learning - ensuring that their individual academic needs are met, and also monitor their growth over time.

MAP assessments do not count for a grade! They are only used by the teacher to help determine how to best support your child.



North Carolina does not currently have a waiver from state required testing for the 2020-2021 school year. The Read to Achieve Legislation requires that students in grades K-3 be assessed and we are required to universally screen all students for SLD2020 eligibility requirements.

Additionally, it is equally as important for both you and your child's teacher to have current information on your child's academic performance so that you can partner together to meet your child's academic needs.



Students in kindergarten through third grade will take the MAP Fluency assessment. This 20-minute assessment measures your child's oral reading fluency, literal comprehension, and foundational reading skills.

Students can access this assessment on a:

- Chromebook or personal computer: https://student.mapnwea.org
- iPad: MAP Reading Fluency APP



Students in kindergarten through eighth grade will take the MAP Reading Growth and MAP Math Growth assessments. Each assessment takes between 45-60 minutes to complete. The assessment measures what your child knows in reading and math and what they're ready to learn next in reading and math.

Students can access these assessments on a:

- Chromebook or Personal computer: https://test.mapnwea.org
- iPad: MAP Growth, Reading & Math APP

*CMS recognizes that COVID-19 has created a set of circumstances, outside of our control, that may impact your child's ability to participate in the MAP assessments, while we are in a remote learning status. If your child does not have access to devices or Internet, please contact your child's school.





Please help your child check that their iPad is set-up and ready for testing by going to: https://check.nwea.org.



Please help your child check that their Chrombook or personal computer is set-up and ready for testing by going to: https://check.nwea.org.

Before your child begins their assessment, press CTRL+SHIFT+ZERO to reset the screen's resolution so that the testing window can launch. This is specific to CMS chromebooks.