



MTCS MN Connections Academy Testing Schedule 2019-2020

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| <u>DATE</u> | <u>ASSESSMENT</u> | <u>GRADE</u> |
| September 3– October 11 | LEAP Reading and Math PreTest | Grades K-8 <i>K-1 Math Only</i> |
| September 3 – October 11 | Scantron Reading and Math Pretest | Grades 9-11 |
| September | Fountas and Pinnell Beginning of Year Reading Assessment | Grades K-1 |
| All Year (Starting September) | WIDA Screener | English Language Learners (K-12) |
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| January | Fountas and Pinnell Mid-Year Reading Assessment | Grades K-1 |
| January 27 – March 20 | WIDA ACCESS (Online) <i>Listening, Speaking, Reading, & Writing</i> | English Language Learners (K-12) |
| March 2 – May 1 | MN Comprehensive Assessments (MCA) Online – <i>Reading, Math</i> | Grades 3-8 and 10: Reading Grades 3-8 and 11: Math |
| March 2 – May 8 | MN Comprehensive Assessments (MCA) Online – <i>Science</i> | Grades 5, 8, and HS: Science |
| March 2 – May 1 | MN Test of Academic Skills (MTAS) <i>Reading, Math, Science</i> | Alternate Assessment (3-11 – Based On Eligibility) |
| February 25 | ACT with Writing (Paper) | Grade 11 |
| May 4 – June 4 | LEAP Reading and Math Posttest | Grades K-8 <i>K-1 Math Only</i> |
| May 4 – June 4 | Scantron Reading and Math Posttest | Grades 9-11 |
| May | Fountas and Pinnell End of Year Reading Assessment | Grades K-1 |

Description of School-Wide Assessments

| <u>ASSESSMENT/PURPOSE</u> | <u>TEST LENGTH/FREQUENCY</u> | <u>GRADE</u> |
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| <p>LEAP Reading and Math These assessments are given in the fall and again at the end of the school year. Kindergarten and first grade students take the online LEAP Math test and their teachers conduct separate reading assessments individually with these students. These tests are designed to align with established standards, objectives, or curriculum. At the beginning of the year, they are used to determine a student’s ability level. This data is used when creating a student’s Personal Learning Plan (PLP). The data from the tests at the end of the year are used to measure your student’s yearly academic gains.</p> | <p>1 Hour Each/ 2x a year</p> | <p>Grades K-8 <i>K-1 Math Only</i></p> |
| <p>Scantron Reading and Math The Scantron Performance Series™ assessments are being administered for reading and math for students in your school. They are given in the fall and again at the end of the year. At the beginning of the year, they are used to determine a student’s ability level. This data is used when creating a student’s Personal Learning Plan (PLP). The data from the tests at the end of the year are used to measure your student’s yearly academic gains.</p> | <p>1 Hour Each/ 2x a year</p> | <p>Grades 9-11</p> |
| <p>Fountas and Pinnell Reading Assessment This reading assessment is used to identify children who are “on track” for learning to read, and also to identify children who may need additional instructional support to meet reading goals.</p> | <p>20 Minutes/ 3x a year</p> | <p>Grades K-1</p> |
| <p>ACCESS (Online) <i>Listening, Speaking, Reading, & Writing</i> The ACCESS for ELLs and Alternate ACCESS for ELLs are the assessments developed by the WIDA consortium and administered to English learners in order to measure progress toward meeting Minnesota’s standards for English language</p> | <p>2.5 Hours/ 1x a year</p> | <p>English Language Learners (K-12)</p> |

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| <p>development, developed by the WIDA consortium.</p> <p>WIDA Screener (Online) WIDA Screener is an English language proficiency assessment given to new students in Grades 1–12 to help educators identify whether they are English language learners (ELLs). It is a flexible, on-demand assessment that can be administered at any time during the school year.</p> <p>MN Comprehensive Assessments (MCA) Online – Reading, Math, Science The Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCAs) are the statewide tests that help districts measure student progress toward Minnesota's academic standards and meet the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). Students take one test in each subject.</p> <p>MN Test of Academic Skills (MTAS) Reading, Math, Science The MTAS, an alternate assessment for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities, is one component of that program. The MTAS is designed to appropriately measure progress toward state standards for students who meet a designated set of criteria.</p> <p>ACT with Writing (Paper) ACT Plus Writing is a nationally recognized college entrance exam and is offered to High School students free of charge once a year by MTSMCA. The ACT measures the level of preparedness for postsecondary success. Students first enrolled in Grade 8 in 2012-2013 and later must be provided with the opportunity to participate in a district-provided college entrance exam.</p> | <p>1.5 Hours/ 1x a year</p> <p>2 Hours (each test)/ 1x a year</p> <p>1.5 Hours/ 1x a year</p> <p>5 Hours/ 1x a year</p> | <p>English Language Learners (K-12)</p> <p>Grades 3-8 and 10: Reading Grades 3-8 and 11: Math Grades 5, 8, and HS: Science</p> <p>Alternate Assessment (3-11 – Based On Eligibility)</p> <p>Grade 11</p> |
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