



Introduction

This document outlines important updates and improvements to the *Ed: Your Friend in Learning*® system for June 2019. For the latest information about Houghton Mifflin Harcourt® systems, visit the [HMH Help Center](#) or our [Back to School](#) support site.

Updates and Improvements

- **Growth Measure for Teachers**
- **Administrator Growth Measure Settings**
- **Administrator Products Management**
- **Improved Student Score Review**

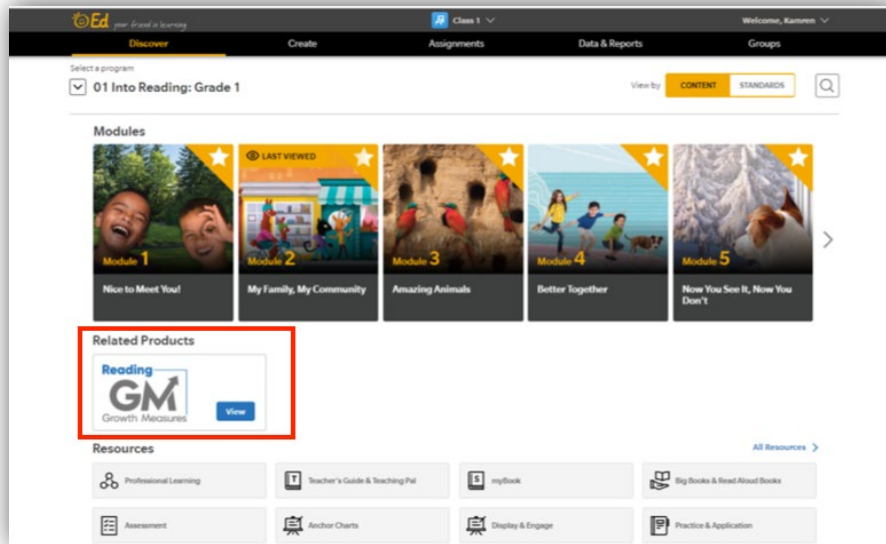
What has changed?

Growth Measure for Teachers

Teachers who are using *HMH Into Reading™*, *HMH Into Literature™*, *Into Math™*, *Into AGA™*, and *Math in Focus®* programs can now assign HMH Growth Measure assessments to their students, supplementing an already robust set of standards-aligned program assessments. The **HMH Reading Growth Measure** and **HMH Math Growth Measure** offer an additional suite of adaptive, research-based assessments that can provide a valid growth score and support forecasting of future performance. These HMH Growth Measure assessments are powered by the same algorithms and item banks from *Reading Inventory®* and *Math Inventory®* programs and are found in a new **Related Products** section on the Discover page for applicable programs in reading and math. It is recommended for delivery to students at the beginning of the year, middle of the year, and end of the year.



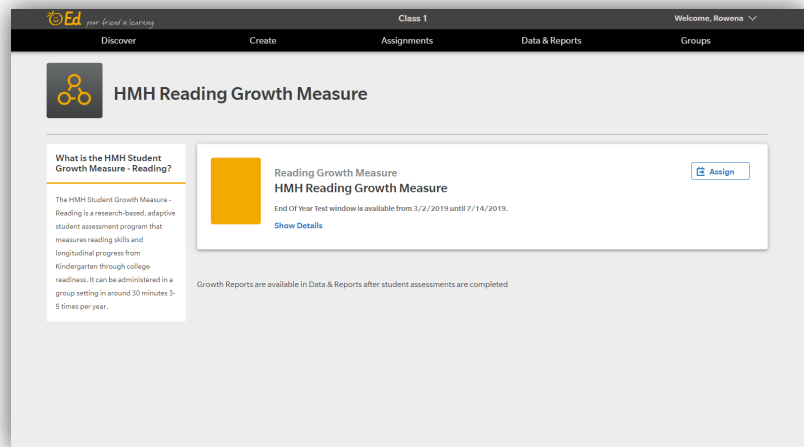
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Selecting the blue **View** button will bring the teacher to a page where s/he can view test details and take the following actions:

- Change assignment name
- Modify assignment start and end dates within the pre-set window*
- Assign the test to the class, an individual, or a group

*Students can only take a GM assessment within an active testing window. If a student misses the window, s/he can complete the test in the next test window but not during the inactive period in between.



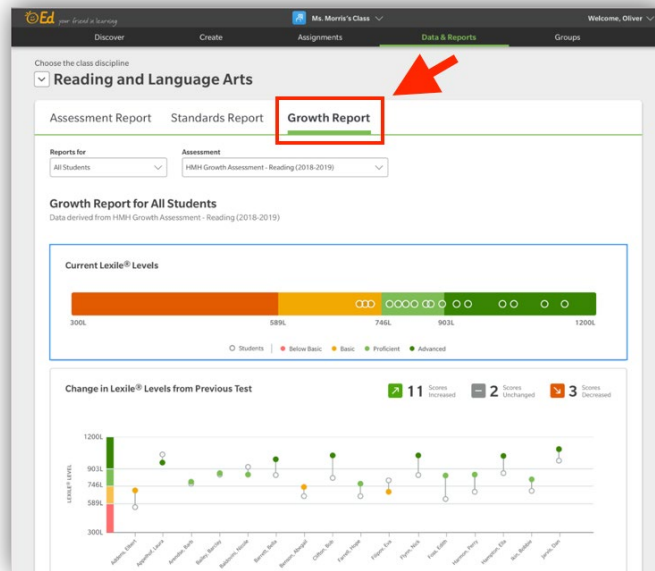


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Teachers **CANNOT** preview the Growth Measure assessments or review student responses as with traditional program assessments. Growth Measure tests are adaptive, so assessment items vary in real-time from student to student based on responses.

Once students complete the first of three assessments, their performance will appear within the Data & Reports section in Ed in a new tab called Growth Report.

From the **Growth Report** tab teachers will be able to visualize class and student growth on successive tests in Quantile® measures for Mathematics programs or Lexile® measures for Reading and Language Arts programs. When available, teachers will also be able to view student growth data from past years.



More information about **Navigating the Growth Report Page** and **Opening Growth Reports** can be found under **Data & Reports** in our [Online Help for Teachers](#).

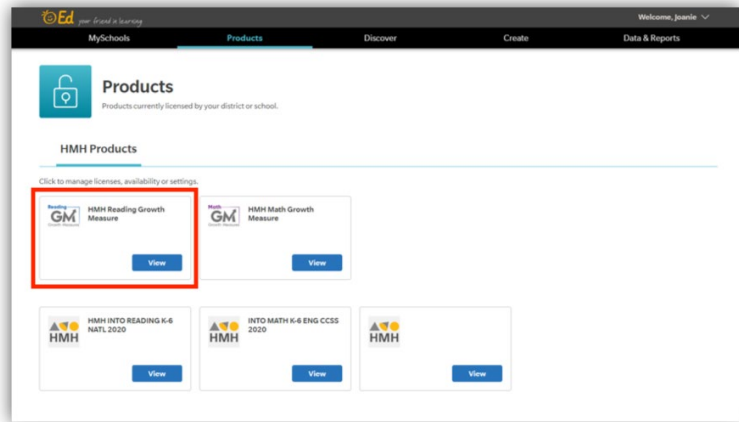
Administrator Growth Measure Settings

Administrators for schools or districts entitled to the *Into Reading, Into Literature, Into Math, Into AGA*, and *Math in Focus* programs now have additional options to manage growth assessments included with these products. Administrators can now manage settings and control testing windows for the HMH **Growth Measures**, which are an additional suite of adaptive assessments for reading and math products that can provide a valid growth score and support forecasting of future student performance.

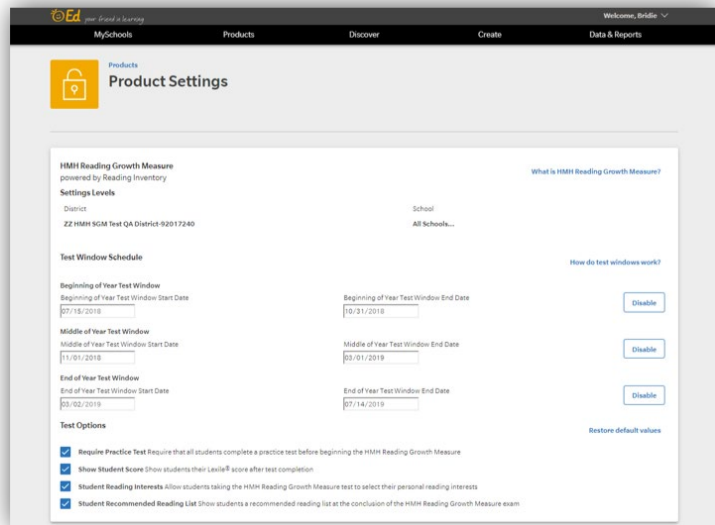


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Administrators will have access to a new **Products** tab in their accounts. Clicking on this tab brings them to the **Products** page (right) where they will see cards for HMH Reading Growth Measure and/or HMH Math Growth Measure connected to applicable HMH products.



Clicking on a card will bring the administrator to a **Settings** page (right) where s/he can adjust the range of testing windows and further configure test settings under **Test Options**.



Please note that three Growth Measure assessments are automatically enabled for teachers. Admins do not need to do anything prior to the start of school to allow teachers to use the Growth Measure assessments.

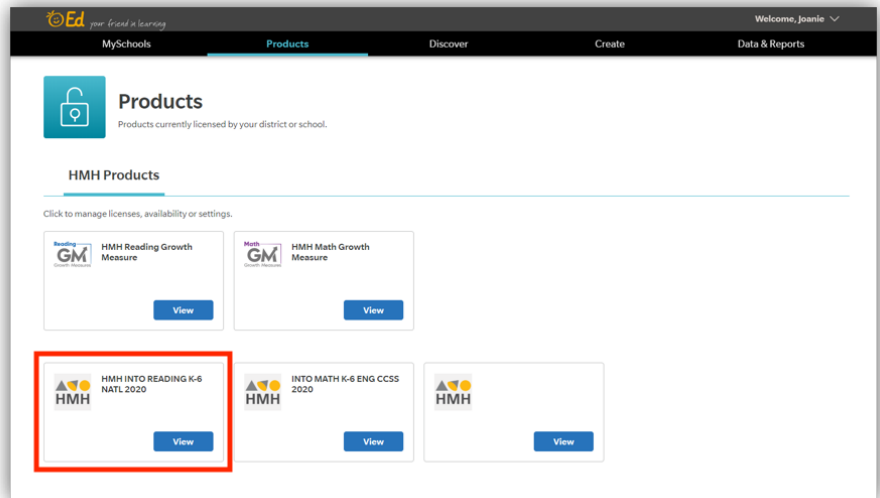
You can learn more about **Managing Product Settings** [here](#) in our Online Help for Administrators.



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Administrator Products Management

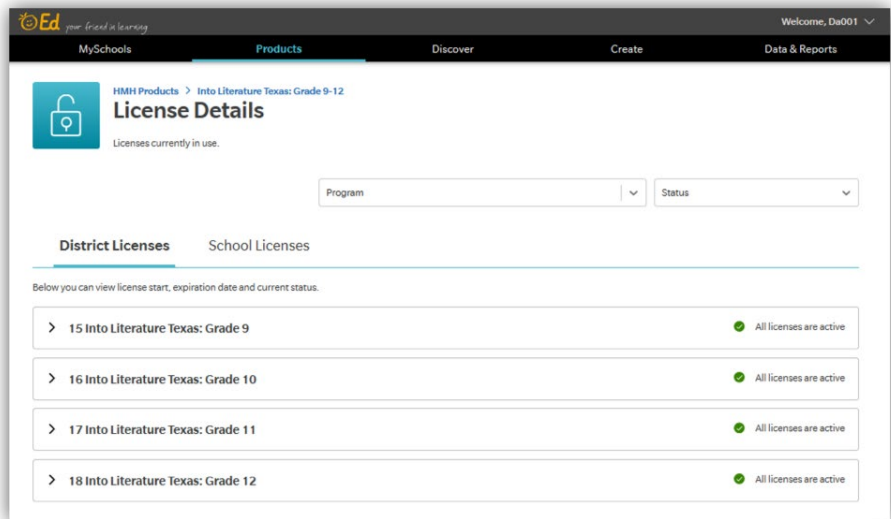
Administrators now have a new **Products** tab within their *Ed: Your Friend in Learning* accounts to support license management. This improvement also provides visibility into program license status for better planning across organizations.



After selecting to **View** a Core product card, Administrators can then view the status of District or School licenses and sort by program or by status.

Statuses are as follows:

- Active** - not expiring within 60 days
- Expiring soon** - active but expiring within 60 days
- Expired** - no longer active



You can learn more about **Viewing Product License Statuses** [here](#) in our Online Help for Administrators.



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Improved Student Score Review

The Student **Scores** Tab has been updated to provide students with clearer, more fluid experience when reviewing their scored assignments. The new Student Scores Page shown below includes color-coded value ranges to help students easily visualize their performance.

The ranges are the same used in the teachers’ report:

- Red: 0%-64%
- Yellow: 65%-79%
- Green: 80%-100%

The Scores Page also includes a **Total Items** column which helps students identify the assignment’s length and relative value. Assignments with more items (questions) usually indicate a more significant test or exam.

Assignment Name	Due Date	Submit Date ↓	Score	Total Items	Actions
Level Up Practice Assessment: Level Up: Drawing Conclusions Practice	Jun 12, 2019	Jun 05, 2019	80%	5	Open
Level Up Practice Assessment: Level Up: Prose Forms Practice	Jun 12, 2019	Jun 05, 2019	100%	5	Open
Erin's Demo Lesson Assessment: American Beginnings, Lesson 1	Jun 05, 2019	May 29, 2019	71.4%	10	Open
American History Module 1 Test: American Beginnings	Dec 04, 2018	May 25, 2019	20%	15	Open
Online Assessment: Earth and Human Activities: Unit Test	Apr 30, 2019	Apr 23, 2019	54.2%	20	Open
Into Math Module 5: Add to and Take From Within 5	Mar 08, 2019	Mar 01, 2019	100%	3	Open
Beginning of Module: Addition and Subtraction A	Mar 08, 2019	Mar 01, 2019	66.7%	3	Open
MG2 Mini Assessment Fractions 3	Feb 28, 2019	Feb 21, 2019	90%	10	Open



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Clicking on the blue **Open** button (above) now takes Students to a full page for question review (below). Previously students accessed this page as a pop-up module. The new page is fully responsive and easier to navigate.

The screenshot shows the Ed: Your Friend in Learning interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'Discover', 'Assignments', and 'Scores'. The 'Scores' tab is active. Below the navigation bar, there's a header for 'Level Up Practice Assessment: Level Up: Drawing Conclusions Practice'. The page is divided into two items for review. Item 1 asks for a conclusion supported by details in a passage about Dave and his friends. The correct answer, 'It is wintertime.', is highlighted in green with a checkmark. Item 2 asks for a conclusion about Jack. The selected answer, 'He is very generous with his money.', is highlighted in red with an 'x' mark, indicating it is incorrect.

You can learn more about **Reviewing Scored Assessments** in our [Online Help for Students](#). You can find information on previously released features on *Ed: Your Friend in Learning* [here](#).

Where can you go for technical help?

Our Technical Support Group is happy to assist you with any questions you may have regarding these new features. Please do not hesitate to contact them at techsupport@hnhco.com, 800.323.9239, or (+1) 786.842.2449.