## Student MAP scores

Student MAP testing results are reported in RIT scores (short for Rasch Unit). A RIT score is an estimation of a student's instructional level and also measures student progress or growth in school. You may have a chart in your home on which you mark your child's height at certain times, such as on his or her birthday. This is a growth chart to show how much he or she has grown from one year to the next. MAP assessments do the same sort of thing, except they measure your student's growth in mathematics, reading, and language usage. The RIT scale is a stable equal-interval scale much like feet and inches on a yardstick. It is used to chart your child's academic growth from year to year. This type of score increases the value of the tests as a tool to improve student learning because it enables teachers to pinpoint what students have learned and what students are ready to learn

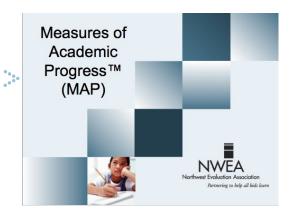
All information about coming testing, testing schedules and times will be posted in a school newsletter. You can also check it in the school office.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's classroom teacher or principal.

More detailed information about MAP testing you can find at www.nwea.org



## MAP testing Brochure for parents



Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) is a statealigned computerized adaptive assessment program that provides QSI educators with the information they need to improve teaching and learning and make student focused, data-driven decisions. Students in grades K through ten are tested two times per year in math, reading, and language usage. Educators use the growth and achievement data from MAP to develop targeted instructional strategies and to plan school improvement.

- Is not an accountability test
- Generates test questions based on student responses
- Reports student results in RIT scores (see back page)
- Gives immediate results
- Is aligned to curriculum standards
- Measures growth over time
- Provides information used to target individual instruction