

## Duluth Public Schools 2023-2024 Assessment Calendar

Date	Grade	Assessment	Length Per Student	Rationale	Purpose
September 5 - September 29 January 2 - January 26 April 29 - May 24	K-8	Reading and Math FastBridge	40 - 90 minutes	Local Requirement	Universal Screening
January 29 - March 22	K-12	ACCESS 2.0 and Alternate ACCESS (ELL Only)	1.5 - 4 hours	ESSA	To measure English language proficiency of all English learners
March 4 - May 3	3-8, 10	MCA Reading	2 - 3.5 hours	MN Statute 120B.30 and ESSA	To measure achievement on the MN Academic Standards and measure progress over time
		MTAS Reading (Select SpEd Only)	45 - 90 minutes		
	3-8, 11	MCA Math	1.5 - 2.5 hours		
		MTAS Math (Select SpEd Only)	30 - 60 minutes		
		MTAS Science (Select SpEd Only)	30 - 60 minutes		
March 4 - May 10	5, 8, HS	MCA Science	1.75 - 2 hours		
April 9	Grade 11	ACT	3.5 hours	MN Statute 120B.30	To provide MN graduates information related to college and career readiness

To opt out of statewide assessments, complete the [Parent/Guardian Guide and Refusal for Student Participation in Statewide Testing Form](#). To best support school district planning, please submit this form to the student's school no later than January 15 of the academic school year. For students who enroll after a statewide testing window begins, please submit the form within two weeks of enrollment. A new refusal form is required each year that parents/guardians wish to opt the student out of statewide assessments.