

Assessment Type	Measure	Source	Subject(s)	Grade Level(s)	Format	Assessment Schedule	Testing Time (approximate)	Results Timeline and Format	Assessment Purpose	Rationale	Requirement Source
Statewide Testing	MCA or MTAS	Pearson	Reading Math Science	3-8 and 10 (Reading) 3-8 and 11 (Math) 5, 8, and HS Biology Students (Science)	Online (MCA) Paper-pencil (MTAS)	Spring (per MDE assessment calendar)	0.5-2.5 hours per test	Individual Student Report available August after testing	To measure achievement on the Minnesota Academic Standards	MN Statute section 120B.30 and 120B.125 ESSA	https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/120B.30 https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/120B.125 https://www.ed.gov/esea
Statewide Testing	ACCESS or Alternate ACCESS	WIDA	Reading Listening Speaking Writing	K-12	Online (6-12) Online and paper-pencil (1-5) Paper-pencil (K)	Winter-Spring (per MDE assessment calendar)	5 hours (total)		To annually assess English language proficiency of all English language learners	ESSA	https://www.ed.gov/esea
Statewide Survey	MN Student Survey	MDH	Student activities, opinions, behavior, and experiences	5, 8, 9, 11	Online	Winter	45 minutes	Scores are only available at the state, county, and district level, approximately 8-10 months after the close of the survey window.	To provide valuable information about issues vital to the health, safety, and academic success of young people.		
College Entrance Exam	PreACT	ACT	English Reading Math Science	10	Paper-pencil	10/24/24	3 hours	Score reports are provided to school within 2 weeks of testing	Career and college readiness	MN Statute section 120B.30 and 120B.125	https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/120B.30 https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/120B.125
College Entrance Exam	ACT	ACT	English Reading Math Science Writing	11 and/or 12	Paper-pencil	3/11/25	3 hours	Scores are made available to students online through MyACT 2-8 weeks after testing			
College Entrance Exam	PSAT	College Board	Reading Writing & Learning Math	10 and/or 11	Online	10/15/24	3 hours	Scores are made available to students online through the College Board 4-6 weeks after testing			

College Course Credit (possible)	Advanced Placement Tests	College Board	Multiple	9-12	Paper-pencil	5/5/25 - 5/16/25	2-3 hours per test	Scores are made available to students online through the College Board in summer 2025.	Raised academic achievement	MN Statute 120B.131	https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/120B.132
College Course Credit (possible)	Bilingual Seals Exams	MDE and AVANT STAMP 4S	Multiple languages in speaking, writing, reading, and listening		Online	Spring	2 hours per test	Scores made available to students in summer 2025	Proficiency in a second language	MN Statute 120B.022	https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/120B.022
Districtwide Testing	earlyReading earlyMath	FastBridge	Reading Math	K-1	1:1 administration of timed and untimed assessments with an adult	Fall Winter Spring	20 minutes	Results are available immediately to teachers in FastBridge. Data are shared with students and families via the PowerSchool portal and/or on paper or in conferences after the testing window.	To achieve reading proficiency by the end of 3rd grade To measure progress toward mastery of Minnesota academic standards in math and reading	MN Statute 120B.02 and 120B.12	https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/120B.12 https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/120B.02
Districtwide Testing	CBMReading	FastBridge	Reading	2-5	1:1 administration, timed assessment with an adult	Fall Winter Spring	10 minutes				
Districtwide Testing	aReading aMath	FastBridge	Reading Math	2-12	Untimed, adaptive online assessment with headphones	Fall Winter Spring	20-30 minutes				
Districtwide Testing	AUTOreading	FastBridge	Reading	4-12	Untimed, paced online assessments with headphones	Fall Winter Spring	6-8 minutes				
Districtwide Testing	CBMmath Automaticity	FastBridge	Math	2-12	Timed online assessment with headphones	Fall Winter Spring	3-5 minutes				
Districtwide Testing	Word Recognition and Decoding	Capti ReadBasix	Reading	4-12	Timed online assessment with headphones	Fall Winter Spring	5-8 minutes				
Districtwide Testing	Vocabulary	Capti ReadBasix	Reading	4-13	Timed online assessment with headphones	Fall Winter Spring	5-9 minutes				
Districtwide Testing	Morphology	Capti ReadBasix	Reading	4-14	Timed online assessment with headphones	Fall Winter Spring	5-10 minutes				
Districtwide Testing	Sentence Processing	Capti ReadBasix	Reading	4-15	Timed online assessment with headphones	Fall Winter Spring	5-9 minutes				

Districtwide Testing	Reading Efficiency	Capti ReadBasix	Reading	4-16	Timed online assessment with headphones	Fall Winter Spring	5-13 minutes	after the testing window.			
Districtwide Testing	CogAT 7	Riverside Insights	Verbal Skills Nonverbal Skills Quantitative Skills	3	Timed, online assessment with headphones	Fall Winter Spring	1 hour	Results are shared with students and families via mailed or emailed reports within 4-6 weeks after test administration	Gifted identification	MN Statute 120B.15	https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/120B.15#:~:text=15%20GIFTED%20AND%20TALENTED%20STUDENTS,challenging%20and%20appropriate%20educational%20programs