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## Lyon County School District Memo

**Date:** 1/31/2025

**To:** LyOnline Elementary/Middle School Parents and Students

**From:** Jim Gianotti, Executive Director for Educational Services

**Re:** Nevada Required Assessments

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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

In Nevada, students attending public high schools are required to participate in state-mandated assessments based on their grade level or enrolled courses. At the Lyon County School District, these assessments include:

- **Smarter Balanced Assessments** for English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics (Grades 3-8)
- **Smarter Balanced Assessment** for Science (Grades 5 and 8)
- **MAP Reading** (Kindergarten through 3rd Grade)
- **Brigance Screening** (Pre-K – Kindergarten)

This letter serves as a reminder that all LyOnline students, even while participating in this program, are required to complete these assessments at their designated school of residence. This requirement is part of the agreement signed upon enrollment in the LyOnline program.

For students in Grades 3-8, **Smarter Balanced (SBAC) assessments** will take place between **March 17th and April 4th**. Please contact Mrs. Cross to confirm your scheduled testing dates and the materials needed for testing.

These assessments are important for several reasons:

- **SBAC results** contribute to school accountability ratings (STAR Ratings) and provide valuable data to help schools make improvements and support student growth.
- **MAP assessment results** are used to monitor progress and guide instruction throughout the academic year.

We kindly ask that you mark your calendars and ensure your student is available to participate in these assessments as scheduled. Your cooperation is crucial in helping us meet state requirements and support your student's success.



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If you have any questions or concerns about these assessments or scheduling, please don't hesitate to contact Chanen Cross at LyOnline at **(775) 463-6800 Ext. 10069**.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

**James Gianotti**

Executive Director of Educational Services