

2026-27 Osseo Area Schools Assessment Plan

Required State Assessments (Additional information on the assessments below can be found at http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/fam/tests/)						
Assessment	Description	Tested Grades	Subject	Estimated length (time)	Testing Window	Distribution of Results
WIDA ACCESS for Kindergarten <i>(paper)</i>	Kindergarten ACCESS is a paper-based test individually administered to kindergarten students in an interactive format.	K	Listening	45 minutes	February 1 – March 26, 2027	Results will be released in ParentVue in October 2027.
			Reading			
			Speaking			
			Writing			
WIDA ACCESS Online	ACCESS Online is a computer-based, adaptive test that responds to student performance and may be administered in group or individual settings. This assessment is given annually to students in grades 1-12.	1-12	Listening	65 minutes		
			Reading	60 minutes		
			Speaking	50 minutes		
			Writing	70-90 minutes		
WIDA ACCESS Paper	ACCESS paper is a paper-based, semi-adaptive test that may be administered in group or individual settings to students receiving EL services.	1-12	Listening	60 minutes		
			Reading	70 minutes		
			Speaking	45 minutes		
			Writing	40-80 minutes		
WIDA Alternate ACCESS <i>(paper)</i>	Alternate ACCESS is a large-print, pencil-and-paper test individually administered to students in grades K-12 who are identified as English learners with the most significant cognitive disabilities.	K-12	Listening	30 minutes		
			Reading			
			Speaking			
			Writing			
Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCAs) <i>(online)</i>	The MCAs are in reading, mathematics, and science and are administered every year. The MCAs are based on the MN Academic Standards, which specify what students in a particular grade should know and be able to do.	3-8, 10	Reading	90-120 minutes	March 8 – May 7, 2027 March 8 – May 14, 2027 (science only)	Results will be released in ParentVue in October 2027.
		3-8, 11	Mathematics			
		5, 8, HS	Science*			
MCA Paper	The MCAs are provided in paper format for students who have the accommodation listed in their IEP or 504 plan. Eligibility is required and determined by case manager and SpEd team.	3-8, 10	Reading	60-150 minutes	March 8 – May 7, 2027	
		3-8, 11	Mathematics	60-150 minutes		
		5, 8, HS	Science*	90-150 minutes		
MTAS <i>(paper)</i>	The MTAS is an alternate assessment to MCAs for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. The MTAS is based on the extended standards of the MN Academic Standards. Eligibility is required and determined by case manager and SpEd team.	3-8, 11	Mathematics	40-60 minutes	March 8 – May 7, 2027	
Alternate MCA <i>(paper, online, hybrid)</i>	The alternate MCA, formerly known as MTAS, is offered to students with the most significant cognitive disabilities. Eligibility is required and determined by case manager and SpEd team.	3-8, 10	Reading	60-90 minutes	March 8 – May 7, 2027	
		5, 8, HS	Science*			
Required District Assessments – NAEP (National Assessment of Educational Progress)						
NAEP^	The NAEP is a national assessment used to measure the educational achievement and progress of the nation’s students at specific grades related to NAEP framework.	4, 8, 12	Mathematics and Reading	90-120 minutes	January 25 – March 19, 2027	Results provided on Nation’s Report Card .

(*) Students in grades 9-12 take the Science MCA or Science Alt MCA once in high school.

(^) Schools and grades are randomly assigned to participate.

Required District Assessments - FastBridge						
Assessment	Description	Tested Grades	Subject	Estimated length (time)	Testing Window	Distribution of Results
FastBridge earlyREADING	FastBridge assessments are provided to help identify risk levels for academic delays, to measure student growth, and to differentiate instruction for all students.	K-1	Reading	1-8 minutes	Fall: September 1 – October 8, 2026 Winter: January 1 – 30, 2027 Spring: April 15 – May 15, 2027	Results shared with parents during conferences.
FastBridge CBMreading		1-3				
FastBridge AUTOreading		4-5				
FastBridge aReading		2-5	Reading	30-45 minutes		Results communicated to parents by site and available in ParentVUE.
FastBridge aMath		K-10	Mathematics	20-30 minutes		
SAEBRS	To identify school, class, and individual-level social-emotional behavior (SEB) learning needs.	K-1	Social, Academic, and Emotional	1-3 minutes	Fall: October 10-31, 2026 Winter: January 1-30, 2027 (K-1 optional) Spring: April 1 – May 15, 2027	Results shared with parents during conferences.
mySAEBRS		2-12				
Capti ReadBasix	The Minnesota READ Act requires students in grade four and above, who are not reading at grade level, to be assessed for reading difficulties using a tool, Capti ReadBasix, approved by the Department of Education.	4-12	Reading	45-60 minutes	Fall: September 1 – October 8, 2026 Winter: January 1 – 30, 2027 Spring: April 15 – May 15, 2027	Results shared with parents during conferences.
Required to Offer Assessments (Student participation is optional)						
ACT with Writing and Science	To measure skills that are most important for success in postsecondary education. The ACT is offered to all 11th grade students and any 12th grade students who have not previously taken the ACT through another MN school district.	11-12	English	45 minutes	March 16, 2027 Initial Test Date March 23, 2027 Makeup Test Date	Results will be posted to student myACT account up to 2 weeks after test date.
			Mathematics	60 minutes		
			Reading	35 minutes		
			Science	35 minutes		
			Writing	40 minutes		
PreACT (paper)	A practice test for the ACT administered in grade 10. This test measures student progress towards college readiness.	10	English	30 minutes	March 16, 2027 Initial Test Date March 23, 2027 Makeup Test Date	Results will be posted to student myACT account 1-3 weeks after test date. A copy is provided to the student.
			Mathematics	40 minutes		
			Reading	30 minutes		
			Science	30 minutes		
Optional District Assessments (Student participation is optional)						
MN Bilingual Seals	A language proficiency assessment in languages other than English that students may earn MN World Language Proficiency Certificate or Bilingual Seal for college credit at MN State Colleges and Universities.	10-12	Listening	2-4 hours	April 5 – 30, 2027	Results will be shared in late May.
			Reading			
			Writing			
			Speaking			