2026-2027 Testing Schedule | Minneota Public Schools

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER-NOVEMBER

Assessment	Subject/Reason	Dates	Requirement Source	Duration of Testing	Results Provided
FastBridge (Grades K – 6)	Reading & Math Benchmark & Progress Monitoring	Aug 24 - Sept 4	State of MN	Up to 30 Minutes	September
NWEA (Grades K – 2)	Reading & Math Benchmark & Progress Monitoring	Sept 3 - Sept 18	District	Up to 2 Hours	Fall Conferences
PSAT (Grade 11)	College and Career Benchmark Assessment	Oct 27	Optional	Up to 3.5 Hours	Available online

DECEMBER-JANUARY

Assessment	Subject/Reason	Dates	Requirement Source	Duration of Testing	Results Provided
FastBridge (Grades K – 6)	Reading & Math Benchmark & Progress Monitoring	Dec 7 – Dec 18 Jan 6 - Jan 15	State of MN	Up to 30 Minutes	January
NWEA (Grades K – 3)	Reading & Math Benchmark & Progress Monitoring	Dec 14 – Dec 18 Jan 6 - Jan 15	District	Up to 2 Hours	Spring Conferences

FEBRUARY - MARCH

Assessment	Subject/Reason	Dates	Requirement Source	Duration of Testing	Results Provided
ACCESS for ELs (Grades K – 12) *English Learners*	Listening, Speaking, Reading, Writing	Feb 22 – Mar 24 See ACCESS testing calendar	State of MN	Up to 3 Hours	Fall Conferences

APRIL - MAY

Assessment	Subject/Reason	Dates	Requirement Source	Duration of Testing	Results Provided
MCAs & MTAS R Grades 3-8 & 10 M Grades 3-8 & 11 S Grades 5, 8 & 10	Reading, Math & Science	April and May See MCA testing calendar	Federal Government (ESSA)	2.5 – 3.5 Hours – Reading 1.5 – 2.5 Hours – Math Up to 2 Hours – Science	Fall Conferences/ Mailed to Home in Fall
ACT (Grade 11)	College and Career Benchmark Assessment	April 8	Optional State of MN	4 hours	Online portal
FastBridge (Grades K – 6)	Reading & Math Benchmark & Progress Monitoring	May 3 – May 14	State of MN	Up to 30 Minutes	Available Upon Request
NWEA (Grades k – 6)	Reading & Math Benchmark & Progress Monitoring	May 10 – May 20	District	Up to 2 Hours	Available Upon Request

*Questions regarding testing should be directed to Minneota Public Schools District Assessment Coordinator:

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**Parents may opt their child(ren) out of the Federally Mandated Tests. Please contact Barb Knutson if you wish to opt out your child(ren).*



2027 MCA Testing Schedule

April 2027

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5	**6**	**7** MCA Pep Fest Grades 3-8	**8** Grade 5 Reading Grade 6 Reading	**9** Grade 5 Reading Grade 6 Reading
12	**13** Grade 7 Reading Grade 8 Reading Grade 10 Reading	**14** Grade 4 Reading	**15** *Make-Up Testing*	**16**
19	**20** Grade 3 Reading	**21** Grade 5 Math Grade 6 Math	**22** Grade 5 Math Grade 6 Math	**23** *No School*
26	**27**	**28** Grade 7 Math Grade 8 Math	**29** Grade 4 Math	**30** *Make-Up Testing*

May 2027

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	**4** Grade 3 Math	**5** Grade 10 Science Grade 11 Math	**6** *Make-Up Testing*	**7** Math and Reading Testing Ends
10	**11** Grade 8 Science	**12** Grade 5 Science	**13** Grade 5 Science	**14** *Make-Up Testing* Science Testing Ends