Questions About Assessments?

If you have questions about assessments you may contact your child's teacher or principal.

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STATE ASSESSMENTS

The Kansas Assessment Program (KAP) includes a variety of instructional tools and tests that measure the Kansas College and Career Ready Standards (KCCRS) in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics, the Next Generation Science Standards and the Kansas Standards for History, . Government, and Social Studies. These tests are designed to support educators and policy makers in evaluating student learning, as well as to meet the requirements for federal and state accountability. State Assessments are administered each year in the spring semester. Assessments are typically administered during several sessions. These on-line assessments usually take 45-60 minutes to complete.

Below are the grade levels and subject areas that are tested at the elementary level:

Grade 3: ELA/Math Grade 4: ELA/Math

Grade 5: ELA/Math/Science



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What is MAP?

The MAP assessment (Measure of Academic Progress) is one piece of information that helps us determine your child's instructional level and measure his or her academic growth from year to year.

MAP tests are unique in that they are adaptive tests administered on the computer. That means that the test became more difficult the more questions your child answers correctly. When your child incorrectly answers a question, the test became easier. Therefore, your child took a test specifically created for his or her own learning level. In addition, your child should have had the opportunity to learn the information presented on the test because the tests are aligned with the Kansas College and Career Ready Standards (KCCRS)

Your child's MAP results are reported in RIT scores. This is a different type of score than a typical test that provides a percentage correct. It is also different than many tests that provide results based on your child's score compared to others in his or her grade. Instead, the RIT score is an equal-interval scale, like feet and inches. The RIT score is independent of grade level. As a result, we can more easily measure your child's growth in learning from year to year. This type of score increases the value of the assessments as a tool to improve learning enabling our teachers to target areas of need and address them accordingly.

MAP Norms

Reading Grade Level Norms:

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Grade	Beg	Mid.	End		
Kindergarten	141	151	158		
1st Grade	161	172	178		
2nd Grade	175	184.	189		

3rd Grade	188	196	199
4th Grade	198	204,	206
5th Grade	206	210	212

Math Grade Level Norms:

Grade	Beg	Mid.	End
Kindergarten	140	151	159
1st Grade	163	174	181
2nd Grade	177	186	192
3rd Grade	190	198	203
4th Grade	202	209	212
5th Grade	211	217	221

Students in grades K-5 take the MAP Assessment in Reading and Math. MAP is administered 2 times per year to all K-5 students. A 3rd, mid year assessment is optional and may or may not be administered at your school.

AIMSweb

AIMSweb utilizes curriculum-based measurement (CBM) which is a brief assessment to measure overall performance of key foundational reading and math skills at each grade level. CBM draws upon over thirty years of scientific research and provides a standardized and reliable way to monitor the progress of students. CBMs are sensitive to growth and can be administered frequently. CBMs do not come from the specific intervention materials or curriculum used with a student and thus provide a general outcome measure of basic skills.



AIMSweb is administered three times a year (beginning, middle and end of year to all students K-5)