

## Testing Calendar 2016-2017

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Test	Level	School	Grades	Dates	Estimated Time	Rationale
DIBELS	District	North Star Raleigh	K-5	Sept. 6- Sept. 23 Jan. 3- Jan 21 May 8 - May 26	30 minutes	The DIBELS measures were specifically designed to assess the Big Ideas in Reading. They are designed to be short (one minute) fluency measures used to regularly monitor the development of early literacy and early reading skills. These research-based measures are linked to one another and predictive of later reading proficiency.
NAEP	National	North Star	8	March 7, 2017	1 hour	National Assessment for Educational Progress (NAEP) is an assessment given periodically to 4th and 8th grade students throughout the nation. This test is utilized to assure students across the nation know and can do in certain subject areas.
MAP: Math Reading	District	North Star Raleigh	K-8	September January May	1 hour	MAP assessments are computer adaptive achievement tests in Mathematics and Reading. MAP assessments will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>→ Inform instruction using valid and reliable data</li> <li>→ Measure growth of student over time</li> <li>→ Provide differentiated instructional lessons</li> </ul>
MCA: Math Reading	State	North Star Raleigh	3-8	March 6- May 5	Math: 1.5 to 2.5 hours  Reading: 2.5 to 3 hours	The purpose of the MCA is to measure Minnesota students' achievement on the Minnesota Academic Standards. The MCA results inform curriculum decisions at the district level; inform instruction at the classroom level; and, in reading and mathematics, demonstrate student academic progress from year to year.

MCA: Science	State	North Star Raleigh	5,8	March 6 - May 12	1.75 hours	The purpose of the MCA is to measure Minnesota students' achievement on the Minnesota Academic Standards. The MCA results inform curriculum decisions at the district level; inform instruction at the classroom level; and, in reading and mathematics, demonstrate student academic progress from year to year.
MTAS	State	North Star	3-8	March 6- May 5	1-2 hours	The MTAS measures the extent to which students with significant cognitive disabilities are making progress in the general education curriculum on standards that have been reduced in breadth, depth, and complexity. The MTAS is a performance-based assessment where performance tasks in reading, mathematics, and science are administered to students in a one-on-one setting.
ACCESS for ELL's	State	North Star Raleigh	K-8	Jan 30 - March 24	Listening: 40 minutes Reading: 35 minutes Speaking: 30 minutes Writing : 65 minutes	The purpose of ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 is to monitor student progress in English language proficiency (ELP) on a yearly basis and to serve as a criterion to aid in determining when ELLs have attained language proficiency comparable to that of their English-proficient peers.