

Kincaid Announcements

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MAP GROWTH ASSESSMENTS

Dear Kincaid Families,

MAP Growth is the ASD and State of Alaska required benchmark assessment for students in grades 3-9 in reading and mathematics. Grades 10-12 also take MAP Growth in Tier II and Tier III reading and mathematics courses as part of the Anchorage School District's MTSS framework.

Alaska's Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) has partnered with NWEA to implement a creative approach to a balanced statewide assessment that connects fall and winter MAP Growth benchmark/interim assessments and the Alaska spring summative assessment that will provide both a summative assessment and spring benchmark score that includes a growth measure. More information is available at the State of Alaska AK STAR website, education.alaska.gov/assessments/akstar.

MAP Growth is an online, adaptive assessment that provides each student a personalized testing experience with data that speaks to their individual progress and growth in mathematics and reading.

The MAP Growth reading and mathematics benchmark will be administered in person during the 2022-2023 fall and winter benchmark windows. The spring benchmark will be embedded in the AK STAR summative assessment as outlined above.

- Fall Benchmark 1—August 29 - September 9 (make-ups through September 16)
- Winter Benchmark 2—November 28 - December 9 (make-ups through December 16)
- Spring Benchmark—embedded in AK STAR administered during the summative assessment window: April 3 - April 14 (make-ups through April 28)
- Selected Students Only: Spring MAP Growth Benchmark 3—April 3 - April 14 (make-ups through April 21)

- Grades 10-12 Tier II and III reading and mathematics courses
- K-2 - certain schools only

MAP Growth practice tests are available at practice.mapnwea.org and require login information (**USERNAME: grow** **PASSWORD: grow**) to access. The practice tests and tutorials allow students the opportunity to become familiar with the types of questions and tools available on the actual MAP Growth assessments such as the highlighter and calculator.

DATES FOR MAP GROWTH ASSESSMENTS

6th Grade: August 29-30

5th Grade: August 31-Sept. 1

4th Grade: September 6-7

3rd Grade: September 8-9

