

RTR Public Schools District Testing Calendar - 2018-19

RTR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Test Name	Grade(s)	Test Date(s)	Subject Matter	Estimated Admin. Time / Mode	Purpose	Required/Optional and Source	How can I opt my child out?	Results Provided
AIMS Web	K-5	Sept, Jan, May	Reading Fluency	5 min/child; Oral	To assess ongoing fluency progress.	Optional; RTR District determined.	Submit request in writing to the child's school office prior to test date	P/T Conferences immediately following administration
STAR Early Literacy	K	3x/year	Reading; Online	15 min/child; Online	To assess Reading progress			
STAR Reading	1-5	Quarterly	Reading	30 min/child; Online	To assess Reading progress			
STAR Math	1-5	Quarterly	Math	30 min/child; Online	To assess Math progress			
ACCESS for ELL	K-5 EL students only	March 4-8, 2019 (Individual student schedules TBD)	English Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening	Up to 3 hours (varies by student); Online	Measures English Language Proficiency in students who are identified as English Learners by the district.	Required by federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).	Submit request in writing to the child's school office prior to test date.	Fall 2019 P/T conferences
MCA Reading and Math	3,4,5	April 9-17, 2019 (Reading) April 23-29, 2019 (Math)	Reading and Math	Reading - 2 1/2 -3 1/2 hours; Math 1 1/2-2 hours. Online	To measure success of instruction and mastery of key content knowledge of Minnesota Academic Standards in specific subject area. Assists schools in identifying students in need of remediation and effectiveness of curriculum.	Required by federal Every Student Success Act (ESSA)	Submit request in writing to the child's school office prior to test date.	Preliminary results sent home with students 2-3 weeks after testing. Final reports distributed to parents during Fall 2019 P/T conferences.
MCA Science	5	May 2, 2019	General Science	1 3/4 hours; Online				
MTAS Reading, Math, Science	3-5; Only students identified with significant disabilities	April 1-May 3, 2019 Individual student testing schedules determined by Special Education teacher.	Reading, Math and/or Science	Varies; Task Oriented	For students with significant disabilities as a replacement for the MCA Reading, Math and/or Science. Measures mastery of specific grade level standards using simplified format. Participation in MTAS is determined by the child's IEP team prior to testing.	Required by federal Every Student Success Act (ESSA)	Submit request in writing to the child's school office prior to test date.	

RTR MIDDLE SCHOOL

Test Name	Grade(s)	Test Date(s)	Subject Matter	Estimated Admin. Time / Mode	Purpose	Required/Optional and Source	How can I opt my child out?	Results Provided
ACCESS for ELL	6-8 EL students only	Feb 25 - March 1, 2019 (Individual student schedules TBD)	English Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening	Up to 3 hours (varies by student); Online	Measures English Language Proficiency in students who are identified as English Learners by the district.	Required by federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).	Submit request in writing to the child's school office prior to test date.	Fall 2019 P/T conferences
MCA Reading and Math	6,7,8	April 15-18, 2019 (Reading) April 23 -26, 2019 (Math)	Reading and Math	Reading - 2 1/2 -3 1/2 hours; 6th Grade Math 1 1/2-2 hours.; 7-8 Grade Math 2-2 1/2 hours. Online	To measure success of instruction and mastery of key content knowledge of Minnesota Academic Standards in specific subject area. Assists schools in identifying students in need of remediation and effectiveness of curriculum.	Required by federal Every Student Success Act (ESSA)	Submit request in writing to the child's school office prior to test date.	Preliminary results sent home with students 2-3 weeks after testing. Final reports distributed to parents during Fall 2019 P/T conferences.
MCA Science	8	May 1-2, 2019	General Science	1 3/4 hours; Online				
MTAS Reading, Math, Science	6-8; Only students identified with significant disabilities	April 1-May 3, 2019 Individual student testing schedules determined by Special Education teacher.	Reading, Math and/or Science	Varies; Task Oriented	For students with significant disabilities as a replacement for the MCA Reading, Math and/or Science. Measures mastery of specific grade level standards using simplified format. Participation in MTAS is determined by the child's IEP team prior to testing.	Required by federal Every Student Success Act (ESSA)	Submit request in writing to the child's school office prior to test date.	

RTR HIGH SCHOOL

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ASVAB	11, 12	September 27, 2018	General Science, Arithmetic Reasoning, Word Knowledge, Paragraph Copmrehension, Mathematics Knowledge, Electronics Information, Auto and Shop Information, Mechanical Comprehension.	3 hours. Assessment is Paper/Pencil. Interest inventory and career exploration program are online.	Part of the ASVAB Career Exploration program. Includes 8 short aptitude tests to identify strengths and growth areas in academic and occupational skills. After testing, students complete an online career interest inventory and use the occupational databse to identify and learn about potential occupations that may be a good fit based on both interest and aptitude. Students must take the ASVAB assessment in order to access the online career interest inventory and occupational database. Also serves as a military entrance exam.	Optional. Generally all 11th grade students take the ASVAB and participate in the career exploration program but it is not required. 12th grade students who would like to retake the test may also do so by contacting the counselor prior to testing. Program is developed and administered by the United States Department of Defense.	Submit request in writing to the high school office prior to test date.	To students in classroom presentation approximately 3-4 weeks after testing.
PSAT	11	October 10, 2018	Reading, Writing, Language and Mathematics	3 1/2 hours. Actual test is 2 hours 45 minutes with 45 minutes of test administration activities. Paper/Pencil	Standardized test provides practice for the SAT or ACT college entrance exams. Gives students a chance to enter the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) Scholarship program. Results are available in December. Test-takers receive access to the online Khan Academy SAT test prep which can be used for ACT test prep. Students seeking competitive scholarships are encouraged take this test. Helpful for students seeking practice and feedback for ACT or SAT.	Optional. Cost is \$15. Students must sign up and pay in the high school office by September 21, 2016. Fee waivers are available for qualifying students. Program is developed and administered by the College Board.	N/A	Distributed to students in December 2018
ACT Plus Writing	11	TBD	English, Reading, Math, Science Writing	4 hours; Paper/Pencil	Standardized test that measures college readiness in core subject areas. Results form ACT test are used by colleges for admission decisions, course placement, and scholarship decisions. Students interested in attending a four year college after high school are strongly encouraged to take the ACT.	Optional. Students will be given a permission from in March. This form must be returned with parent signature. There is no cost for this ACT administration. Required to be offered by MN state statute. Administered in contract with ACT.	Indicate that you do not want your child to participate on the parent permission form.	Mailed to students home address directly from ACT 2-8 weeks following testing.
ACCESS for ELL	9-12 EL students only	Feb 25 - March 1, 2019 (Individual student schedules TBD)	English Reading, Writing, Speaking and Listening	Up to 3 hours (varies by student); Online	Measures English Language Proficiency in students who are identified as English Learners by the district.	Required by federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).	Submit request in writing to the child's school office prior to test date.	Fall 2019 P/T conferences
MCA Reading	10	April 16-18, 2019	Reading	2-3 hours; Online				
MCA Math	11	April 24-26, 2019	Math	1 1/2-2 1/2 hours; Online	To measure success of instruction and mastery of kev content knowledge of Minnesota		Submit request in	

MCA Science	HS - students enrolled in H.S. Biology class. (Grade 11)	April 30 - May 1, 2019	Life Science/Biology	1 1/2 - 2 hours; Online	of key content knowledge of Minnesota Academic Standards in specific subject area. Assists schools in identifying students in need of remediation and effectiveness of curriculum.	Required by federal Every Student Success Act (ESSA)	writing to the child's school office prior to test date.	Preliminary results sent home with students 2-3 weeks after testing. Final reports distributed to parents during Fall 2019 P/T conferences.
MTAS Reading, Math, Science	3-8, 10, 11 Only students identified with significant disabilities .	April 1-May 3, 2019 Individual student testing schedules determined by Special Education teacher.	Reading, Math and/or Science	Varies; Task Oriented	For students with significant disabilities as a replacement for the MCA Reading, Math and/or Science. Measures mastery of specific grade level standards using simplified format. Participation in MTAS is determined by the child's IEP team prior to testing.	Required by federal Every Student Success Act (ESSA)	Submit request in writing to the child's school office prior to test date.	