

Preparing for MAP Assessments

at Home



Who takes NWEA MAP Growth ?

In SAISD, students in grades K-8 will take the MAP Growth assessment in reading and math for the Beginning of Year (BOY). Students in grades 9-12 will take MAP Growth based on their EOC needs for reading and Algebra 1. Data will be used to provide targeted instruction for students. MAP Assessments can be given remotely via Zoom, or in person on campus.

All students have access to :

- highlighters
- answer choice eliminators
- notepad
- calculator- for questions requiring calculations
- zoom in and zoom out

All students can :

- use scratch paper
- take breaks
- use noise cancelling headsets

Helpful Hints

Here are some helpful hints to help with taking a MAP assessment at home.

- Talk to your child about why they are taking MAP Growth
- Make sure you have a device ready to be used for MAP Growth
- Consider your child's needs
- Communicate with your child's teacher

How do MAP Assessments work?

- They measure how your child is doing academically
- The results help teachers and parents set individual learning goals for their students
- They measure to ensure the best learning opportunities for each student
- The MAP Assessment is computer adaptive; If a student answers a question correctly, the test follows up with a more challenging question.
- If a student answers incorrectly, the test follows up with an easier question.
- Students are not expected to know the answers to all of the questions and that it ok.

When will my child test?

Teachers will contact parents to schedule assessments and to set up a way to communicate during testing.

- MAP Growth takes about 25-35 minutes per subject for grades K-1
- MAP Growth takes about 45-60 minutes per subject for grades 2+
- Chromebook or I-pad (I-pad requires second device to zoom such as parent cell phone, laptop, etc.)
- Parents may need to assist their student in accessing online platform
- Parents should not assist their child with the questions because teachers need to get a clear picture of what the student knows
- Due to current events, assessments will be administered one of two ways; remotely or in person.

What if my child needs extra supports?

- There are many tools built into the test to help all children do their best, for example a highlighter and a ruler.
- There are features that can be given to students who need extra support as per IEP or 504 plans.
- MAP Assessments are available in both English and Spanish for reading and math.
- Contact your child's teacher if you have questions about taking MAP Assessments on campus.

What can I expect from my child's teacher?

Additional information regarding your child's assessment will be provided by your child's campus and teacher. Please follow the guidelines in the parent letter sent to you by your child's campus to keep the test secure and to ensure your child's score is as accurate as possible. **Children learn better—and faster—when teachers have a clear picture of what each student knows and what they are ready to learn next (NWEA)**



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