

Testing in C-I Public Schools

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The Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCA) is a state mandated test under the “Every Student Succeeds Act”. This law challenges schools and students to be accountable for education. This accountability testing is changing on an annual basis.

<http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/JustParent/TestReq/index.html> (dates may be changed due to spring activities)

- **Reading:** Grades 3-8 and 10 (Grade 3 April 11th, Grade 4 is April 10th, Grade 5 is April 11th, Grade 6 is April 16th, Grade 7 April 16th, Grade 8 April 10th, Grade 10 April 15th)
 - **Math:** Grades 3-8 and 11 (Grade 3 April 17, Grade 4 April 23, Grade 5 April 24, Grade 6 April 25, Grade 7 April 9th, Grade 8 April 17th, Grade 11 April 30th)
 - **Science:** Grades 5, 8 and Biology (Grade 5 May 7th, Grade 8 May 7th, **Biology May 8th**)
 - The State also tests math, reading, writing, listening & speaking language proficiency for *English Language Learners* (ACCESS Testing Window February 25 and 26) and *Special Needs* (MTAS March 4-May 3).
<http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/fam/tests/>
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STAR Enterprise Reading and Math. Fast, easy-to-administer, and accurate. STAR is given grade 1-11 at the the proficiency benchmark for career and college ready, this is the 65%ile nationally.

<http://www.renlearn.com/parentspage>

(Required participation for these assessments are in September 6-18, January 10-22 and May 9-21.)

STAR Reading Enterprise™ is an assessment of reading comprehension and skills for independent readers through grade 11.

- Word Knowledge and Skills
- Comprehension Strategies and Constructing Meaning
- Analyzing Literary Text
- Understanding Author’s Craft
- Analyzing Argument and Evaluating Text

STAR Math Enterprise™ is an assessment of math achievement for students in grades 1–11.

- Numbers and Operations
- Algebra
- Geometry and Measurement
- Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability

FASTBridge Learning Curriculum Based Measurement

earlyReading is an evidence-based assessment used to screen and monitor student progress. Typically administered in Grades K-1.

Each assessment is designed to be highly efficient and inform instruction.

Oral Reading, grades 1-6

Listening to a child read graded passages aloud for 1 minute and calculating the number of words read correct per minute provides highly reliable and valid measure of general reading achievement, including comprehension, for most students. This is used to screen reading fluency for all students depending on their grade level and progress monitoring for some students.

<http://www.fastbridge.org/assessments/curriculum-based-assessments-cbm/>

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ASVAB “The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery is the most widely used multiple-aptitude test battery in the world. As an aptitude test, the ASVAB measures your strengths, weaknesses, and potential for future success. The ASVAB also provides you with career information for various civilian and military occupations and is an indicator for success in future endeavors whether you choose to go to college, vocational school, or a military career.” The ASVAB is an optional test offered to 11th grade students at C-I High School.

http://www.military.com/ASVAB/0,,ASVAB_Explained1.html

(The 2018-2019 assessment is TBD).

PSAT Preliminary SAT is “a standardized test that provides first hand practice for the SAT Reasoning Test™. It also gives students a chance to enter National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) scholarship programs. The PSAT/NMSQT measures: critical reading skills, math problem-solving skills, and writing skills.” It is an optional test offered to students in 11th grade at C-I High School.

<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/psat/about.html>

(The 2018 assessment is offered October 10, 2018)

ACCUPLACER The purpose of ACCUPLACER tests is to provide useful information about academic skills in math, English, and reading. The results of the assessment, in conjunction with academic background, goals, and interests, are used by academic advisors

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and counselors to determine student's course selection. The Accuplacer is an optional test available to 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students at C-I High School, and is used to ascertain placement in some College-in-the-Schools classes and post-secondary opportunities.

<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/accuplacer/index.html>

(This assessment is offered on an as-needed basis.)

ACT The ACT is a “national college admissions examination that consists of subject area tests in reading, math, science, and English. The ACT includes 215 multiple-choice questions with an optional writing portion. Testing time is 2 hours and 55 minutes (plus 30 minutes if the student chooses to take the ACT Plus Writing). This test can also be taken in the eleventh and twelfth grades per admissions' requirement of choice college. See website for testing dates and locations

<http://www.actstudent.org/faq/answers/what.html>

(Crosby-Ironton will be offering this assessment to all their Junior students, locally and free to the student. This assessment date is April 2nd.)

SAT The SAT is also a college admissions test covering writing, mathematics, and reading. Students may take the test in eleventh and twelfth grade per admissions' requirement of choice college. See website for testing dates and locations.

<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/about.html>

ACT WorkKeys The ACT WorkKeys is an optional, job skills assessment system for seniors in Crosby-Ironton High School. This assessment helps employers select, hire, train, develop, and retain a high-performance workforce. This series of tests measures foundational and soft skills and offers specialized assessments to target institutional needs. ¹Successful completion of ACT WorkKeys assessments in Applied Mathematics, Locating Information, and Reading for Information can lead to earning ACT's National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC), a portable credential earned by more than 1 million people across the United States.

<http://www.act.org/products/workforce-act-workkeys/>

(This assessment is offered, locally and free to the student, on a as needed basis. Contact the Crosby-Ironton Guidance office for more information.)

NAEP The National Assessment of Educational Progress

NAEP is the largest nationally representative and continuing assessment of what America's students know and can do in various subject areas. Paper-and-pencil assessments are conducted periodically in [mathematics](#), [reading](#), [science](#), [writing](#), [the arts](#), [civics](#), [economics](#), [geography](#), [U.S. history](#), and in [Technology and Engineering Literacy](#) (TEL).

(Crosby-Ironton Schools were not selected for the 2018-2019 school year to administer this assessment.)

<http://nces.ed.gov/nationsreportcard/about/>

CIVICS

2017 Minnesota legislation states that public schools are required to create and provide a citizenship assessment for the student's in their Civics Course. This assessment is not reported to colleges or the workforce. (It will be an assessment in the course during the final month of their Civics semester). <http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/dse/stds/soc/MDE070267>