

NMA Assessment Descriptions				
Assessment	Type	Grade Levels	Subjects	Description
FastBridge Screeners in Reading and Math	District Assessment	K-3	Reading and Math	Norm-based screening test for mathematics and reading, designed and developed by the University of Minnesota
NWEA MAP	District Assessment	K-8	Reading Math Science (Grades 5 and 8 Only)	Norm based assessment to measure growth and proficiency for reading, mathematics, and science designed and developed by NWEA, a research-based, not-for-profit organization.
Interim Assessments	District Assessment	K-8	Reading (K-8 Math (2-8)	NMA uses Achievement Network interims that are standards aligned to understand student progress. Our interim assessments (traditional and abbreviated versions) ensure you can identify content students have learned or mastered as instruction progresses.
ACCESS/Alternate ACCESS	State Assessment	K-8	Reading, Writing, Speaking, and Listening	ACCESS for ELLs (ACCESS) is the collective name for WIDA's suite of summative English language proficiency assessments. ACCESS is taken annually by English learners in kindergarten through grade 12 in WIDA Consortium member states.
MCA/MTAS	State Assessment	3-8	Reading, Math, and Science (Grades 5 and 8 Only)	The Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCAs) and the alternate assessment, the Minnesota Test of Academic Skills (MTAS), are statewide assessments that help districts measure student progress toward Minnesota's academic standards and meet the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). Both the MCAs and the MTAS assess students in reading, mathematics and science. Most students take the MCAs, but students who receive special education services and meet eligibility criteria may take the MTAS.