

Crookston Public Schools Assessment Calendar 2023-2024

The Minnesota Assessment system has three purposes:

1. To measure achievement towards meeting the Academic Standards and to measure progress towards meeting with WIDA English Language Development Standards.
2. To measure the academic progress of students over time.
3. To provide Minnesota Graduates information related to career and college readiness.

The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), and Minnesota Statutes, section 120B.30, require that public school students be assessed annually in reading, mathematics, and science. Most students take the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCA), but students who receive special education services and meet the Minnesota Test of Academic Skills (MTAS) eligibility requirements may take the MTAS. Students only take one test in each subject.

September	Assessment	Grade Level
Sept. 11-Oct. 6	Fall FastBridge Reading & Math	K-8
November		
TBA	ASVAB	11
December		
Dec. 11-Jan.26	Winter FastBridge Reading & Math	K-8
January		
Jan. 29-Mar. 22	ACCESS Window Open	K-12
February		
Feb. 26-Mar. 1	ACCESS (Speaking, Listening, Reading, Writing)	3, 6-12
March		
Mar. 4-May3	MCAs & MTAS Window Open	3-8, 10-11
Mar. 4-8	ACCESS (Speaking, Listening, Reading, Writing)	1, 2, 4, 5
Mar. 6	ACT	11
Mar. 11-15	ACCESS (Speaking, Listening, Reading, Writing)	K
April		
Apr. 1-5	MTAS Reading, Math	3-5
Apr. 8-12	MCA Reading	6-8
Apr. 8-12	MTAS Reading	6-12
Apr. 15-19	MCA Reading	3, 10
Apr. 15-19	MCA Math	6-8, 11
Apr. 15-19	MTAS Math	6-12
Apr. 22-26	MCA Math	3, 5
Apr. 22-26	MCA Reading	4, 5

Apr. 22-26	MCA Science	8, 10
Apr. 22-26	MTAS Science	6-12
Apr. 29-May 3	MCA Math	4, 5
Apr. 29-May 3	*MCA Reading/Math Wrap Up	3-8, 10-11
Apr. 29-May 3	MTAS Wrap Up	6-12
May 3, 6-8	MCA Science	5

*Last week is reserved for any MCA reading/math makeup tests before the window closes on May 3rd.

May

May 6-24	Spring FastBridge Reading & Math	K-8
May 6-10	*MCA Science Wrap Up	5, 8, 10

*This week is reserved for any MCA science makeup tests before the window closes on May 10th.

Acronyms of Testing

AP: Advanced Placement

MCA: Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment

ACCESS for ELLs: Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State to State for English Language Learners

PSAT: Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test (now shortened to PSAT)

ACT: American College Testing

ASVAB: Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery

FastBridge: Reading/Mathematics Assessment

TBA: To Be Arranged