



# A Parent's Guide to MAP

## Measures of Academic Progress

### WHAT IS MAP?

Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) creates a personalized assessment experience by adapting to each student's learning level - precisely measuring student's progress and growth for each individual. It helps provide educators with the information they need to improve teaching and make learning student-focused.

### Commonly asked questions

#### ***Do all students in the same grade take the same test?***

No. MAP assessments are designed to target a student's academic performance in mathematics, reading and language usage. These tests are tailored to an individual's current achievement level. This gives each student a fair opportunity to show what he/she knows and can do. The computer adjusts the difficulty of the questions so that each student takes a unique test.  
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#### ***What are the scores used for?***

MAP assessments are used to measure your student's progress or growth in school. You may have a chart in your home on which you mark your child's height at certain times, such as on his or her birthday. This is a growth chart. It shows how much he or she has grown from one year to the next. MAP assessments do the same sort of thing, except they measure your child's growth in mathematics, reading and language usage. The scale used to measure your child's progress is called the RIT scale (Rasch unit). The RIT scale is an equal interval scale much like feet and inches on a yard stick. It is used to chart your child's academic growth for the year.

#### ***How do teachers use the test scores?***

MAP tests are important to teachers because they keep track of progress and growth in basic skills. They let teachers know where a student's strengths are and if help is needed in any specific areas. Teachers use this information to help them guide instruction in the classroom.

\*This information was taken from the NWEA website.\*

#### ***What are the cut scores to be middle school ready?***

In Bullitt County we use the following scores as the middle school ready cut scores:

**Reading – 215**  
**Math – 226**

***If you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's MAP scores please contact your child's teacher.***

On the back of this are cut scores for each grade level.

**MAP Benchmarks Correlated to Kentucky Linking Study**  
(Based on 2014 Normative Data)

**Kindergarten**

Reading	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	150-300	158-300	167-300
Proficient	144-149	152-157	159-166
Apprentice	136-143	144-151	151-158
Novice	135 and below	143 and below	150 and below

  

Math	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	157-300	164-300	173-300
Proficient	146-156	153-163	161-172
Apprentice	136-145	141-152	150-160
Novice	135 and below	140 and below	149 and below

**4<sup>th</sup> grade**

Reading	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	213-300	216-300	220-300
Proficient	201-212	204-215	208-219
Apprentice	191-200	194-203	198-207
Novice	190 and below	193 and below	197 and below

  

Math	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	215-300	220-300	225-300
Proficient	204-214	209-219	213-224
Apprentice	193-203	198-208	201-212
Novice	192 and below	197 and below	200 and below

**1<sup>st</sup> grade**

Reading	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	169-300	180-300	188-300
Proficient	162-168	172-179	179-187
Apprentice	153-161	163-171	169-178
Novice	152 and below	162 and below	168 and below

  

Math	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	178-300	186-300	193-300
Proficient	165-177	174-185	181-192
Apprentice	153-164	163-173	170-180
Novice	152 and below	162 and below	169 and below

**5<sup>th</sup> grade**

Reading	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	220-300	223-300	226-300
Proficient	207-219	210-222	213-225
Apprentice	199-206	201-209	204-212
Novice	198 and below	200 and below	203 and below

  

Math	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	227-300	232-300	236-300
Proficient	213-226	218-231	221-235
Apprentice	197-212	202-217	205-220
Novice	196 and below	201 and below	204 and below

**2<sup>nd</sup> grade**

Reading	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	187-300	194-300	200-300
Proficient	178-186	185-193	191-199
Apprentice	167-177	175-184	181-190
Novice	166 and below	174 and below	180 and below

  

Math	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	192-300	199-300	205-300
Proficient	180-191	187-198	193-204
Apprentice	169-179	176-186	182-192
Novice	168 and below	175 and below	181 and below

**3<sup>rd</sup> grade**

Reading	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	201-300	205-300	210-300
Proficient	191-200	196-204	201-209
Apprentice	181-190	186-195	191-200
Novice	180 and below	185 and below	190 and below

  

Math	Fall	Winter	Spring
Distinguished	205-300	212-300	217-300
Proficient	194-204	200-211	205-216
Apprentice	183-193	189-199	194-204
Novice	182 and below	188 and below	193 and below