

Student Assessment Calendar for 2016-2017

AIMS WEB: ASSESSMENT FOR READING FLUENCY

- Will be administered to all students 1st-6th grade three times per year:
 - Fall administration window is September 6-16, 2016
 - Winter administration window is January 23-February 3, 2017
 - Spring administration window is May 15-26, 2017
- Purpose of Assessment:
 - To monitor student progress and grade-level proficiency
 - To identify students who may need remedial or accelerated instruction
 - To have immediate, secondary sets of proficiency data beyond the Minnesota Comprehension Assessment given annually in the spring.
- Approximate Student Assessment Completion Time:
 - 8 minutes per student (timed)
- Dissemination of Results:
 - Results are disseminated at each teacher's discretion. Data may be given to parents/guardians at fall and spring conferences and/or is sent home at the end of each school year.
- This assessment is required based on its inclusion in the contract between Swan River Montessori Charter School and its authorizer Audubon Center of the North Woods. For further information about this requirement and the specific goals related to this assessment, please visit www.swanrivermontessori.org > Our School Board > Board Meeting Reports & Documents.

AIMS WEB: ASSESSMENT FOR MATHEMATICAL CONCEPTS & APPLICATIONS

- Will be administered to all students 2nd-6th grade three times per year:
 - Fall administration window is September 6-16, 2016
 - Winter administration window is January 23-February 3, 2017
 - Spring administration window is May 15-26, 2017
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 - To have immediate, secondary sets of proficiency data beyond the Minnesota Comprehension Assessment given annually in the spring.
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AIMS WEB: ASSESSMENT FOR MATHATICAL COMPUTATION

- Will be administered to all students 1st-6th grade three times per year:
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 - Winter administration window is January 23-February 3, 2017
 - Spring administration window is May 15-26, 2017
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 - To monitor student progress and grade-level proficiency
 - To identify students who may need remedial or accelerated instruction
 - To have immediate, secondary sets of proficiency data beyond the Minnesota Comprehension Assessment given annually in the spring.
- Approximate Student Assessment Completion Time:
 - 8 minutes per student (timed)
- Dissemination of Results:
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FOUNTAS & PINNELL: ASSESSMENT FOR READING COMPREHENSION

- Will be administered to all students kindergarten through 6th grade three times per year:
 - Fall administration window is September 6-16, 2016
 - Winter administration window is January 23-February 3, 2017
 - Spring administration window is May 15-26, 2017
- Purpose of Assessment:
 - To monitor student progress and grade-level proficiency
 - To identify students who may need remedial or accelerated instruction
 - To have immediate, secondary sets of proficiency data beyond the Minnesota Comprehension Assessment given annually in the spring.
- Approximate Student Assessment Completion Time:
 - 4th-6th Grade = 5-15 minutes per student
 - 1st-3rd Grade = 10-30 minutes per student
 - Kindergarten = 20-30 minutes per student

- Dissemination of Results:
 - Results are disseminated at each teacher's discretion. Data may be given to parents/guardians at fall and spring conferences and/or is sent home at the end of each school year.
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ANNUAL MINNESOTA COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT (MCA III): READING

- Administered annually each spring
 - 2016-17 administration window is:
 - 3rd grade is April 3-7, 2017
 - 4th-6th grade is April 24-28, 2017
- Purpose of Assessment:
 - To monitor student grade-level proficiency
 - Monitors overall school achievement & accountability
 - Results may impact the school's designation and funding
 - Provides a means for constituents to compare school and district achievement levels
- Approximate Student Assessment Completion Time:
 - 3rd grade = two hours over the course of 2-3 days
 - 4th-6th grade = two 45-minute sessions over the course of 2-3 days
- Dissemination of Results:
 - Parents are now allowed to see scores prior to the end of each school year.
 - Official scores are sent via mail one the school receives them from the MDE. These scores are then forwarded via mail to the families of each individual student.
- This assessment is required by the Minnesota Department of Education and the State of Minnesota.

MINNESOTA COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT (MCA III): MATHEMATICS

- Administered annually each spring
 - 2016-17 administration window is:
 - 3rd grade is April 10-14, 2017
 - 4th-6th grade is May 1-5, 2017
- Purpose of Assessment:
 - To monitor student grade-level proficiency
 - Monitors overall school achievement & accountability
 - Results may impact the school's designation and funding
 - Provides a means for constituents to compare school and district achievement levels
- Approximate Student Assessment Completion Time:
 - 3rd grade = two hours over the course of 2-3 days

- 4th-6th grade = two 45-minute sessions over the course of 2-3 days
- Dissemination of Results:
 - Parents are now allowed to see scores prior to the end of each school year.
 - Official scores are sent via mail one the school receives them from the MDE. These scores are then forwarded via mail to the families of each individual student.
- This assessment is required by the Minnesota Department of Education and the State of Minnesota.

MINNESOTA COMPREHENSIVE ASSESSMENT (MCA III): SCIENCE – 5th Grade Only

- Administered annually each spring
 - 2016-17 administration window is:
 - 5th grade is May8-12, 2017
- Purpose of Assessment:
 - To monitor student grade-level proficiency
 - Monitors overall school achievement & accountability
 - Results may impact the school's designation and funding
 - Provides a means for constituents to compare school and district achievement levels
- Approximate Student Assessment Completion Time:
 - 5th grade = 1 hour over the course of 1-2 days
- Dissemination of Results:
 - Parents are now allowed to see scores prior to the end of each school year.
 - Official scores are sent via mail one the school receives them from the MDE. These scores are then forwarded via mail to the families of each individual student.
- This assessment is required by the Minnesota Department of Education and the State of Minnesota.

MTAS ASSESSMENT: READING, MATHEMATICS & SCIENCE

- Administered annually each spring to any student identified and qualified by means of an Individual Education Plan (IEP).
 - Administration windows mirror the MCA III windows listed above.
- Purpose of Assessment:
 - To monitor student grade-level proficiency
 - Monitors overall school achievement & accountability
 - Results may impact the school's designation and funding
 - Provides a means for constituents to compare school and district achievement levels
- Approximate Student Assessment Completion Time:
 - 1 hour per assessment per student
- This assessment is required by the Minnesota Department of Education and the State of Minnesota for all students who are identified and qualified by means of an Individual Education Plan (IEP).

WRITING ASSESSMENT

- Administered to all 1st-6th grade students two times per year:
 - Winter administration window is December 12-22, 2017
 - Spring administration window is May 22-31, 2017
- Purpose of Assessment:
 - To monitor student progress and grade-level proficiency
 - To identify students who may need remedial or accelerated instruction
 - To ensure students are matriculating with comparable skill sets in the area of writing
- Approximate Student Assessment Completion Time:
 - One hour per student
- Dissemination of Results:
 - While some teachers may share this data with parents at conferences, it is not required.
- This assessment is required based on its inclusion in the contract between Swan River Montessori Charter School and its authorizer Audubon Center of the North Woods. For further information about this requirement and the specific goals related to this assessment, please visit www.swanrivermontessori.org > Our School Board > Board Meeting Reports & Documents.

NWEA MAP ASSESSMENT: READING & MATHEMATICS

- Administered to all 1st-3rd grade students once per year in the fall:
 - Fall administration window is September 6-16, 2016
- Purpose of Assessment:
 - To identify strengths and areas for academic development at the beginning of each year
 - To drive curriculum choices for each individual or groups of students
 - To monitor retention of academics over the summer months
 - To assist in predicting MCA outcomes
- Approximate Student Assessment Completion Time:
 - 1 hour per assessment per student
- Dissemination of Results:
 - Teachers retain all data. Data is not disseminated unless deemed necessary due to extraordinary circumstances.
- This assessment is not required by any external organization. It is an optional assessment that the 1st-3rd grade teachers use for the purposes listed above.