

Southern Plains Education Cooperative's Testing Schedule

- i-Ready Diagnostic in Math and English (Bridges and ALC students)
 - District progress monitoring used for teachers to inform instruction and student growth
 - September 10-14 with make-ups week of September 17-21
 - ALC will be 2nd and 3rd hour based on teacher
 - Bridges will test by classroom teacher and class schedule
 - January 14-18 with make-ups week of January 22-25
 - ALC will be 2nd and 3rd hour based on teacher
 - Bridges will test by classroom teacher and class schedule
 - May 6-10 with make-ups week of 13-17
 - ALC will be 2nd and 3rd hour based on teacher
 - Bridges will test by classroom teacher and class schedule

As new students arrive that have not taken a diagnostic test at their previous school, the i-Ready diagnostic will be administered to these students

 - Each subject test can take from .75-1.5 hours to complete
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- ACT+writing (offered to all 11th and 12th grade who did not take it as an 11th grade student as required by current MN law)
 - It is free
 - College entrance exam accepted by colleges in all 50 states
 - Is approximately 4.5 hours
 - October 2, 2019
 - Make-up: October 16, 2019
 - February 20, 2019
 - Make-up: March 12, 2019
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- MCA-Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment (MCA)/Minnesota Test of Alternative Skills (MTAS)
 - Administered annually according to Minnesota Department of Education requirements
 - Reading is tested in 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 10th grades
 - Math is tested in 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and 11th grades
 - Science is tested in 5th, 8th, and once in high school
 - Results are used by the state and locally to measure growth year-to-year

 - MCA
 - Bridges
 - 5th, 6th, & 8th Reading: March 19, 2019
 - 3rd, 4th, & 7th Reading: March 20, 2019
 - 10th Reading: March 21, 2019
 - 3rd, 4th, & 7th Math: April 9, 2019
 - 5th, 6th, & 8th Math: April 11, 2019
 - 11th Math: April 10, 2019

- 5th, 8th, & HS Science: April 24, 2019
 - ALC
 - 10th grade Reading: April 16, 2018
 - 11th grade Math: April 17, 2018
 - HS Science: April 23, 2018
 - Southern Plains-Winnebago
 - 10th grade Reading: March 27, 2019
 - 11th grade Math: March 28, 2019
 - MTAS-Minnesota Test of Alternative Skills
 - PALS/Bridges
 - Reading and Math will be administered between March 25, 2019- April 26, 2018
 - Estimated times provided by Minnesota Department of Education:
 - Reading grades 3-8: 3.5-4.5 hours
 - Reading grade 10: 4-5 hours
 - Math grades 3-8: 1.5-2 hours
 - Math grade 11: 2.5-3.5 hours
 - Science grades 5 and 8: 1.75 hours
 - Science high school: 2 hours
 - Results of MCA/MTAS testing will be distributed by fall conferences of the 2019-2020 school year. Results will either be delivered in-person at conferences or mailed if a conference cannot be attended.
- Minnesota Student Survey (MSS)
 - The Minnesota Student Survey (MSS) is one of the longest running youth surveys in the nation. It is a triennial survey that began in 1989. The survey is an anonymous statewide school-based survey conducted to gain insights into the world of students and their experiences.

The survey asks students about their activities, opinions, behaviors and experiences. Students respond to questions on school climate, bullying, out-of-school activities, health and nutrition, emotional and mental health, relationships, substance use and more. Questions about sexual behaviors are asked only of 9th- and 11th-grade students. All responses are anonymous.

The MSS can be administered to 5th-, 8th-, 9th-, and 11th-grade students in public schools, charter schools, Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) tribal schools and non-public schools. It is also offered to students in alternative learning centers and juvenile correctional facilities.

- This will be administered to 9th-12th grade students in the Area Learning Center and Bridges program.
- Administration will take place between February 5-7, 2019