

Testing Calendar for 2026-2027									
Test	Purpose		Rationale		Grade Level	Subject Matter	Dates	Time Taken on Test	Results provided to parents
MCA	To measure achievement on the Minnesota Academic Standards and measure academic progress of students over time.		Minnesota Statute 120B.30 and ESEA		3rd	Reading	April 13-16	2.5-3.5 hours	Preliminary results given to children after testing. Official sent home in the fall.
					4th	Reading	April 13-16	2.5-3.5 hours	
					5th	Reading	April 13-16	2.5-3.5 hours	
					3rd	Math	April 20-23	2-3 hours	
					4th	Math	April 20-23	2-3 hours	
					5th	Math	April 20-23	1.5-2.5 hours	
					5th	Science	April 27-30	1.5-2.5 hours	
					6th	Reading	April 12-15	1.5-2 hours	
					7th	Reading	April 13-16	1.5-2 hours	
					8th	Reading	April 13-16	1.5-2 hours	
					10th	Reading	April 13-16	1.5-2 hours	
					6th	Math	April 20-23	1.5-2 hours	
					7th	Math	April 20-23	1.5-2 hours	
					8th	Math	April 20-23	1.5-2 hours	
					11th	Math	April 20-23	1.5 hours	
					8th	Science	April 27-30	1-1.5 hours	
					10th	Science	April 27-30	1-1.5 hours	

FastBridge Assessments	School standardized test to measure academic progress and growth throughout the year.		District Policy		K-12	Reading and Math	October 2 (4 weeks)	25-50 minutes per subject	Reports sent home with report card and shared at conferences
					K-12	Reading and Math	Jan. 29 (4 weeks)	25-50 minutes per subject	
					K-5	Reading and Math	May 28 (4 weeks)	25-50 minutes per subject	
ACT Test	The purpose of the ACT test is to measure a high school student's readiness for college, and provide colleges with one common data point that can be used to compare all applicants.		Minnesota Statutes, section 120B.30		11th or 12th	English, Math, Reading, Science	April 7 and back up date is April 21	(not included in MN Statute testing time limitations)	Reports mailed home from the district.