



# Minnesota Valley Education District 6027

## District Testing and Assessment Calendar 2020-2021

Minnesota Valley School Testing and Assessment incorporates state-wide testing, classroom assignments and observation to provide a complete profile of student achievement and curricular strengths and weaknesses. \*Testing calendar is subject to change based on the current condition of COVID-19.

When	Who	What	Why	Time
September 14 - 25	Grades K-12	FAST Reading, Math, and Social Emotional Behavior Skills	Local Standardized Assessment used to benchmark and monitor student learning and inform teacher instruction.	20-30 min Reading 20-30 min Math 15-20 min SAEBRS
January 19 - 29	Grades K-12	FAST Reading, Math, and Social Emotional Behavior Skills	Local Standardized Assessment used to benchmark and monitor student learning and inform teacher instruction.	20-30 min Reading 20-30 min Math 15-20 min SAEBRS
Jan 25 - March 19	K-12 ELL Students	WIDA Access ELL Alternate Access ELL	Federal Mandate	30-90 min
March 8 - May 7	Gr 3-8 Reading/Math Gr 10 Reading Gr 11 Math	MCA Reading, MCA Math MTAS	State Mandate	120-240 reading 60-120 math
March 8 - May 7	Gr 5, 8, 10	MCA Science	State Mandate	60-120 science
Students participate in resident district dates	Grade 11	ACT	College and Career Readiness and Entrance Exam - Optional Offered to all 11th Grade Students	4 hours
April 1 - May 7	Gr 9	Civics Test	Federal Mandate	30-90 min
May 3 - 14	Grades K-12	FAST Reading, Math, and Social Emotional Behavior Skills	Local Standardized Assessment used to benchmark and monitor student learning and inform teacher instruction.	20-30 min Reading 20-30 min Math 15-20 min SAEBRS



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MCA Reading, Math, and Science assessments will be administered online unless modifications are required for special programming. MTAS Reading, Math, and Science assessments are administered in paper format. All MCA/MTAS student reports will be shared with parents via mail or conferences in the fall of the subsequent year.

**MCA/MTAS Tests** - These tests help school and districts measure student progress toward the state's academic standards. The tests are given in grades 3-8, 10 and 11. The science MCAs are administered in grades 5, 8 and 10th grade.

**FAST Tests** - Local Standardized Assessment used to benchmark and monitor student learning and inform teacher instruction.

**Civics Test** - The civics test questions relate to foundational ideas in civics education and must be passed to graduate high school.

## Parent/Guardian Guide to Statewide Testing and Opting out of Testing Form

Click this link to review the state testing requirements and view the form for opting-out a student from state required assessments.

- <http://education.state.mn.us/MDE/fam/tests/index.htm>

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## MCA/MTAS TESTING SCHEDULE

March 8 - 15

- MCA Practice - All Grades

March 16, 17

- MCA Reading - Grades 3, 4, 5

March 24, 25

- MCA Reading - Grades 6, 7, 8, 10

March 30, 31

- MCA Math - Grades 3, 4, 5

April 7, 8

- MCA Math - Grades 6, 7, 8, 11

April 13, 14

- MCA Science - Grades 5, 8, 10

Test make-up will take place as necessary on school days after initial administration of each specific MCA test:

- Reading: March 26- April 6
- Math: April 9 - 23
- Science: April 15 - 30