

MERA Fall 2018



Assessment Updates

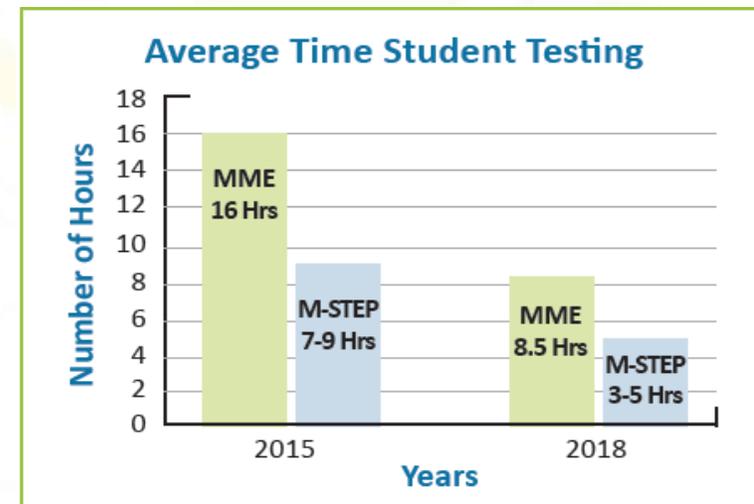
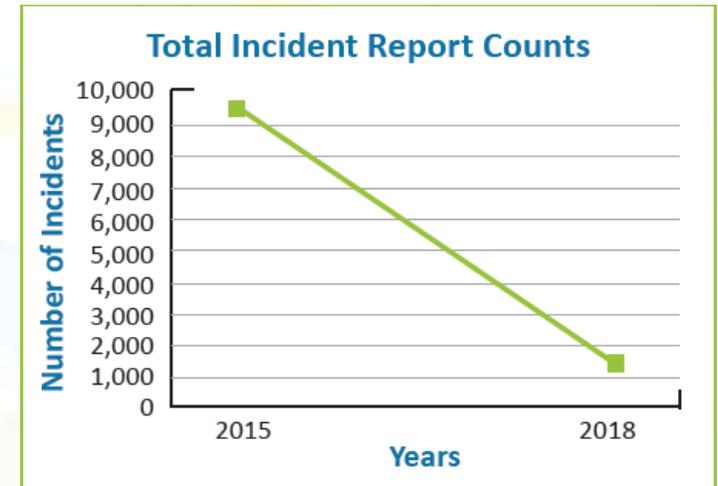
2018 M-STEP Test Administration

- Nearly 99% of schools administered the M-STEP to students online – compared to 80% in 2015.
- Fast results! Preliminary results within 24-48 hours; final results released August 29, prior to the beginning of the school year.



2018 M-STEP Test Administration

- Test Administration went smoothly for most schools. School testing issues have been reduced 90%.
- Students are spending more time in the classroom and less less time on testing.



Science Field-Test

- In 2015, Michigan adopted new science standards.
- These standards were very different from the old ones and require a different kind of assessment.
 - Example: Three-dimensional standards require three dimensional items
- Statewide field-testing will allow us to avoid double-testing, or creating a test that is not fully aligned to the old or new standards.
- This year, we tested only a portion of the items in the test blueprint; 2019 will be a field test of the full science assessment.
- Due to the field-test nature of the 2018 and 2019 science test, we have requested a waiver from USED from reporting statewide science scores.

Michigan's Assessment System Over Time

Year	What Changed?	Why?
2015	First Year of M-STEP	Transition to a new assessment to measure new standards and use more advanced assessment practices
2016 & 2017	Removed ELA Performance Tasks in Grades 3, 4, 6, and 7 Used the SAT Plus Essay in 11 th grade for ELA and math only (eliminated the M-STEP ELA and Math) Began offering PSAT in 9 th and 10 th grade	Superintendent direction to reduce testing time
2018	Cut testing time in ELA and mathematics in grades 3-8	Legislative requirement to reduce testing time to no more than 3 hours on average for ELA and Math
2019	Transition 8 th grade mathematics and ELA test from the M-STEP to the PSAT 8/9 Optional use of benchmark assessments supported with state investment	* Department assessment vision * Legislative language that requires assessments in grades 8-10 to be aligned to the college entrance portion of the MME.

Michigan's Assessment System

State Assessments						
Grade	Test Type	Mandate	Test Name	Subjects	Given	Purpose
K-2	Benchmark	Required	Early Literacy and Mathematics Benchmark Assessment or District-selected benchmark ¹	ELA, Mathematics	Fall, Winter, Spring	Within-year progress; program improvement
3	Summative Benchmark	Required	M-STEP	ELA, Mathematics	Spring	Proficiency; accountability
		Optional	District-selected benchmark assessment ^{1, 2}		Multiple	Within-year progress; program improvement
4	Summative Benchmark	Required	M-STEP	ELA, Mathematics	Spring	Proficiency; accountability
		Optional	District-selected benchmark assessment		Multiple	Within-year progress; program improvement
5	Summative	Required	M-STEP	ELA, Mathematics	Spring	Proficiency; accountability
	Summative	Required	M-STEP	Science ⁴ , Social Studies	Spring	Proficiency; accountability
	Benchmark	Optional	District-selected benchmark assessment	ELA, Mathematics	Multiple	Within-year progress; program improvement
6	Summative Benchmark	Required	M-STEP	ELA, Mathematics	Spring	Proficiency; accountability
		Optional	District-selected benchmark assessment		Multiple	Within-year progress; program improvement
7	Summative Benchmark	Required	M-STEP	ELA, Mathematics	Spring	Proficiency; accountability
		Optional	District-selected benchmark assessment		Multiple	Within-year progress; program improvement
8	Summative	Required	PSAT 8/9	ELA, Mathematics	Spring	Proficiency; accountability; college readiness
	Summative	Required	M-STEP	Science ⁴ , Social Studies	Spring	Proficiency; accountability
	Benchmark	Optional	District-selected benchmark assessment	ELA, Mathematics	Multiple	Within-year progress; program improvement
9	Summative	Required	PSAT 8/9	ELA, Mathematics	Spring	College Readiness
10	Summative	Required	PSAT 10	ELA, Mathematics	Spring	College Readiness
11 ³	Summative	Required	MME: SAT with Essay	ELA, Mathematics	Spring	College Readiness; accountability
		Required	MME: M-STEP	Science ⁴ , Social Studies	Spring	Proficiency; accountability
		Required	MME: ACT WorkKeys	Reading, Mathematics	Spring	Career Readiness

State Summative Assessments

- M-STEP (Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress)
 - Given to students in grades 3-7 to measure student progress on academic standards in English language arts (ELA), mathematics
 - Given to students in grades 5, 8, and 11 to measure student progress on science (field test) and social studies standards
- PSAT (Pre-SAT by College Board)
 - PSAT 8/9 given to students in grade 8 to measure student progress on academic standards in ELA and mathematics *and* prepare for SAT taken in high school
 - PSAT 8/9 for students in grade 9 (no statewide reporting or accountability)
 - PSAT 10 for students in grade 10 (no statewide reporting or accountability)

State Summative Assessments (cont'd)

- MME (Michigan Merit Exam):
 - Given to students grade 11
 - Consists of three required components:
 - SAT with Essay to measure student progress on ELA and mathematics standards and college readiness
 - M-STEP to measure student progress on science and social studies standards
 - ACT WorkKeys to measure career skills

2019 Assessment Schedule

Spring 2019 Testing Schedule for Summative Assessments																
Assessment	Week of															
	2/4-2/8	2/11-2/15	2/18-2/22	2/25-3/1	3/4-3/8	3/11-3/15	3/18-3/22	4/8-4/12	4/15-4/19	4/22-4/26	4/29-5/3	5/6-5/10	5/13-5/17	5/20-5/24		
M-STEP Grades 5, 8, and 11								4 weeks								
M-STEP Grades 3, 4, 6, and 7											4 weeks					
MI-Access Alternate Assessments								7 weeks								
College Entrance: SAT w/Essay*								4/9 only		Makeup 4/23						
Accommodated Testing Window								4/9 – 23								
Work Skills: ACT WorkKeys								4/10 only		Makeup 4/24						
Accommodated Testing Window								4/10 – 23								
PSAT 8/9 (grade 8)*								4/9	Makeup 4/10-16	Makeup 4/23-24						
Accommodated Testing Window								4/9 – 23								
PSAT 8/9 (grade 9) and PSAT 10**								4/9, 10, or 11	Makeup 4/10-16	Makeup 4/23-24						
Accommodated Testing Window								4/9 – 23								
WIDA ACCESS for ELLs 2.0 and WIDA Alternate ACCESS for ELLs								7 weeks								

Reimbursement for Vendor-Provided Assessment Options

- Districts may select vendor-provided assessment options that meets defined criteria (see [Fact Sheet on Benchmark and Early Literacy Assessment Reimbursement for full list of criteria](#)).
- 2018-2019 State School Aid Act provides funding to reimburse districts for selected vendor-provided options:
 - K-2 computer adaptive, diagnostic, or screener assessment designed to improve early reading performance
 - K-8 benchmark assessment

Reimbursement for Vendor-Provided Assessment Options, Cont'd.

- Reimbursement is provided on an equal per-pupil basis according to available funding, based on the number of Michigan pupils for whom assessments were purchased.
 - Section 104d Assessment Reimbursement application will open by September 1 and will close by November 9
 - Districts must purchase assessment options by October 15
 - Grant awards will be distributed in December State Aid payment
- MDE must report assessment purchase info to Legislature by February 15.

Read by Grade 3 ... “RBG3”

- MDE is partnering with elementary educators and administrators to determine the best way to “flag” students for the RBG3 law.
- The vision is to NOT use the 3rd grade M-STEP proficiency score as this cut, that’d be too many students
- The process should create a unique, separate “cut-score” that could be used to flag students for the first steps of this law.
- MDE is assembling a timeline on our efforts to distribute through the Spotlight and other means.

Carnac says

- New policy leaders.....
- USED Peer Review – what are we waiting for, what do we need to submit?
- Innovative Assessment Pilot Demonstration Authority
- Writing items



Questions?

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