

A Parent's Guide to NWEA/ MAP Testing

Northwest Evaluation
Association/

Measure of Academic
Progress (MAP) an
overview for parents

MAP is...

- Measure of Academic Progress
- Nationally Normed
- Used with over 3,000,000 students
- Formative, individualized computer based test
- Scores reflect what students are ready to learn
- Reading, Math, Science (Middle School Only)
- Question difficulty changes based on student answer

How MAP differs from ISAT

MAP

- Individualized
- Adjusts to each student
- Given multiple times over the year
- Shows what students know, are ready to learn
- Student goal setting

ISAT

- Same test for every student
- Given once a year
- Shows what students mastered
- No goal setting

Why MAP?

- Individualizes for each student
- Provides extensive data to guide instructional planning for the teacher
- Focused on individual growth of each student
- Facilitates goal setting and planning between student and teacher

How MAP Supports Response to Intervention (RtI)

- Provides data to individualize additional support necessary to maximize student learning
- Tiered support determined by students needs
- RtI mandated initiative to monitor student progress
- AIMSweb supports progress monitoring

Data from MAP

- RIT Score (Rausch Unit)
 - Equal-interval scale, much like a yardstick (100-280)
 - Continuum of growth, measuring growth year to year
- Lexile Level in Reading
 - Equal-interval scale (10L to 1700L)
 - Lexile measures the sentence complexity, by looking both at length and vocabulary
 - Used nationally in all libraries

How to help your student

- MAP Resources

Thank you for coming!