

# Columbia Heights Public Schools District Testing 2020-2021\*



Requiring Body	Test	Purpose	Subject	Grades	Estimated Assessment Time	Testing Window	Disseminating Results	
State Required Assessment	<b>MCA-III</b>	To measure student achievement on the Minnesota Academic Standards as well as academic progress over time. <i>Minnesota Statutes, section 120B.30 and ESEA</i>	Math	3-8 & 11	Grades 3-8: 2.5 – 3.5 hours	3/8/21 – 5/7/21	Results distributed to families in September 2021.	
			Reading	3-8 & 10	Grade 10: 2-3 hours			
			Science	5, 8 & High School	Grades 5 & 8: 1.75 hours High School: 2 hours	3/8/21 – 5/14/21		
	<b>MTAS</b> Minnesota Test of Academic Skills is an alternate assessment for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities		Math	3-8 & 11	Administration times will vary by individual student. The state does not provide estimated test administration times for the MTAS assessment.	3/8/21 – 5/7/21		Results distributed to families in September 2021.
			Reading	3-8 & 10				
			Science	5, 8 & High School				
State Required Assessment	<b>ACCESS for ELLs 2.0®</b>	To measure English language proficiency based on Minnesota Standards for English Language Development and to meet the requirements of the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA).	Reading, Writing, Listening & Speaking	Kindergarten	45 minutes	1/25/21 – 3/19/21	Results distributed to families in September 2021.	
			Reading	1-12	Up to 35 minutes			
			Writing		Up to 65 minutes			
			Listening		Up to 40 minutes			
			Speaking	Up to 30 minutes				

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State Required Assessment	<b>SAT® with Essay</b>	To measure college and career readiness. <i>Minnesota Statutes, section 120B.30</i>	Evidence-Based Reading and Writing, Essay, & Math	11	Roughly 4.5 hours	National district testing day: April 13, 2021	Results communicated to families from SAT 6-8 weeks after testing.
				12 <i>Due to restrictions in 2019 testing</i>		National district testing day for spring 2019 makeup: October 14, 2020	
District Required Assessment	<b>PSAT® 8/9 &amp; PSAT® 10</b>	To help students measure their current academic development. It also allows for SAT score projections for when students take the SAT test.	Reading, Writing, Language & Math	PSAT 8/9: Grade 8  PSAT 10: Grade 10	Roughly 2 hours and 45 minutes each	PSAT 8/9: February 2021  PSAT 10: April 13, 2021	Results communicated to families 6-8 weeks after testing.
District Required Assessment	<b>Naglieri Nonverbal Ability Test® (NNAT®) &amp; Cognitive Abilities Test™ (CogAT®)</b>	Research-based assessment used as part of the identification process for gifted and talented services.	Verbal, Non-verbal, and Quantitative reasoning	2 & 5	Roughly 1 hour each	Winter 2020-21	Results communicated to families 4-6 weeks after testing.

\*Note: Specific tests and dates of testing are subject to change. Updates will be posted on Columbia Heights Public Schools' website.