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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Every year CVA participates in a variety of standardized testing and surveys. It is that time of year and we have our first assessments scheduled in late September.

The NWEA is an assessment given at Cyber Village Academy a minimum of two times per year to measure student growth and learning needs. We use reading, math and science sections of the NWEA. This assessment truly supports our teachers and curriculum in evaluating how we are doing as a staff to meet the needs of students and help students meet various growth targets that are established by the nationally normed assessment.

The MCA tests are annual, summative measurements of student achievement that are used, along with many other school and classroom assessments, to evaluate student learning and skills. The Reading, Math and Science MCAs are given to students, starting in Grade 3. The MCA is used by the MN Department of Education to evaluate schools. A higher participation rate gives MDE and CVA better data to evaluate how we are doing as a school based on student performance.

The MN Student Survey is given every 3 years to students throughout Minnesota in public elementary and secondary schools, public charter schools and tribal schools. Grade levels participating are grades 5, 8, 9 and 11, with the option to have all students grade 5 - 12 complete the survey. In 2019, school district participation in the state was 81%. Data from 2022 test administration is not available at this time. The survey is anonymous, there is no identifying codes, names or numbers to be traced to an individual. Students can decline to take the survey and skip any question they would like.

MN Student Survey:

CVA will not be administering the survey this year. More information can be found in the link below.

[MinnesotaStudentSurvey_infographic_ACCESSIBLE_12-21.pdf](#)

MCA:

MCA testing is coming after spring break for students in grades 3-8 (reading, math, and science), 10 (reading), 11 (math), and high school students who have completed biology need to take the science test.

Fusion students will take their tests in their classrooms with their teachers.

- Fusion: Reading - April 17 - 19 in classrooms
- Fusion: Math - April 24-26 in classrooms
- Fusion: Science - May 1-3 in classrooms

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PASCAL students will need to come to the school to take the tests on scheduled days. PASCAL students can take all three tests in one day and be on campus for the full day. If an alternate location is needed please contact Emily Eggers, eeegggers@cybervillageacademy.org to coordinate an alternate location.

- PASCAL: April 21 at CVA, April 27 at CVA, and May 4 at CVA

PASCAL families: you are able to have your student take multiple tests on a single day.

If you do not want your student(s) to take these tests, you can opt out by using the attached form. [MDE OPT Out.pdf](#)

NWEA MAP Testing

CVA will administer NWEA MAP Testing in the Fall and Spring, with optional dates in the Winter. We will be administering reading, math and science tests to students. CVA makes use of the data to look at growth throughout the school year. This year more than ever this data will be very valuable. We will use individual student levels of proficiency, to look specifically for opportunities to provide additional support as needed to students. In addition, we will be able to assess students' overall growth throughout the school year after we have students' data from our fall and spring testing session.

Fall Testing:

Fusion Testing Schedule:

Reading Test: Grades K - 10

Testing will begin in English classes the week of September 26th.

Math Test: Grades K - 8

Testing will begin in Math classes the week of October 3rd..

Science Test: Grades 5 - 8

Testing will begin in Science classes the week of October 10.

PASCAL Fall Testing Schedule:

Students are able to test remotely for the NWEA test. Students may sign up to take one test a day or take all tests on the same day. Optional test dates are as follows:

Friday, September 30 @ 9am - Noon

Friday, September 20 @ 1:30 - 4pm

Thursday, October 6 @ 8:00 -11:00am

Thursday, October 6 @ 11am - 2pm

Thursday, October 13 @ 11:30am - 2:30pm

Friday, October 14 @ 9am - Noon

Click [here](#) to sign-up for fall testing.

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Winter Testing: Testing Feb. 6 - 8

Testing administered to Elementary, ADSIS Students, and New Students as needed.

Spring Testing:

Fusion Testing Schedule:

Reading Test: Grades K - 10

Testing will begin in English classes the week of April 17th.

Math Test: Grades K - 8

Testing will begin in Math classes the week of May 22nd.

Science Test: Grades 5 - 8

Testing will begin in Science classes the week of May 30.

Opt Out Form:

If you do not want your student(s) to participate in NWEA MAP testing please complete the form below. <https://forms.gle/ViRzHwn5h1YCgWik9>

If you have any questions, please reach out to Jennifer Hernandez, Student Services Coordinator, by email: jhernandez@cybervillageacademy.org

Sources:

The MCAs and ACCESS tests are required by the state of Minnesota. More information about these assessments from the Minnesota Department of Education can be found at:

<https://education.mn.gov/MDE/fam/tests/>

MN Student Survey: <https://health.mn.gov/data/mchs/surveys/mss/index.html>