

Waubun-Ogema-White Earth Public School
Assessment Schedule
2025-2026

READ Act Requirements for Universal Literacy and Dyslexia Screening

The READ Act requires mandatory screening of every child in kindergarten, first, second, and third grade, including multilingual learners and students receiving special education services, using a screening tool approved by the Department of Education. The screenings must be administered twice per year, within the first and last six weeks of school, to measure foundational reading skills, including phonemic awareness, phonics, decoding, fluency, oral language, and for characteristics of dyslexia. The screening for characteristics of dyslexia may be integrated within the universal screening.

FastBridge earlyReading (K-1) and CBMReading (Grades 1-3):

- a. earlyReading: Letter Names – Kindergarten (Fall and Spring)
- b. earlyReading: Word Segmenting - Kindergarten and Grade 1 (Fall and Spring)
- c. earlyReading: Letter Sound Fluency – Kindergarten (Fall and Spring)
- d. earlyReading: Nonsense Words:
 - Kindergarten (Fall optional, *Required in Winter and Spring)
 - Grade 1 (Fall and Spring)
- e. CBMReading: Oral Reading Fluency - Grade 1 (Fall optional, *Required in Winter and Spring)
- f. CBMReading: Oral Reading Fluency - Grades 2-3 (Fall and Spring)

TS GOLD is an authentic observation-based assessment system for children from birth through kindergarten. TS GOLD blends ongoing observational assessment for all areas of development and learning with performance tasks for selected predictors of school success in the areas of literacy and numeracy. TS GOLD can be used to assess all children, including English-language learners, children with disabilities, and children who demonstrate competencies beyond typical developmental expectations.

FastBridge is a research-based universal K-12 screener, diagnostic reporting, and progress monitoring tools that combines Computer-Adaptive Testing (CAT) with Curriculum-Based Measures (CBM) for academic success. Benchmark data is collected four times per year with categories consisting of decodable words, nonsense words, sight words, letter names, letter sounds, onset sounds, word blending, word segmenting and fluency checks. Math categories consist of subitizing, numeral identification, math quantity, quantity discrimination (most and least), composing, decomposing, counting objects and equal partitioning.

STAR Math is an assessment of math achievement for students in grades 4–12. STAR Math tracks development in four domains:

- Numbers and Operations
- Algebra
- Geometry and Measurement
- Data Analysis, Statistics, and Probability

STAR Reading™ is an assessment of reading comprehension and skills for independent readers grades 4- 12. STAR Reading tracks development in five domains:

- Word Knowledge and Skills
- Comprehension Strategies and Constructing Meaning
- Analyzing Literary Text
- Understanding Author's Craft
- Analyzing Arguments and Evaluating Text

All STAR assessments are computer-adaptive tests (CATs). Computer-adaptive tests continuously adjust the difficulty of each child's test by choosing each test question based on the child's previous response. If the child answers a question correctly, the difficulty level of the next item is increased. If the child misses a question, the difficulty level is decreased. CATs save testing time and spare your child the frustration of items that are too difficult and the boredom of items that are too easy. STAR tests are designed to be as efficient as possible. On average, students will complete the STAR Math test in about 20 minutes and the STAR Reading test in about 15 minutes. However, some students may require more time.

The STAR assessments are often used to screen students for their reading and math achievement levels. STAR Reading and STAR Math™ assessments help determine reading and math achievement levels in order to place students into the Accelerated Reader™ and Accelerated Math™ programs. STAR Early Literacy assessments help educators monitor students' growing literacy skills and students' progress toward becoming independent readers.

STAR™ assessments can also be used to monitor student growth throughout the year, to estimate students' understanding of state standards, and predict students' performance on the state test. In addition, STAR can help teachers determine appropriate instructional levels and skills that students are ready to learn.

Informal Classroom Assessments-The Kindergarten Informal Assessment is a formative assessment given to all kindergarten students four times per year. This assessment is designed to test students' progress and mastery of Minnesota Kindergarten State Standards set by the Minnesota Department of Education in the areas of reading, writing, and math. Assessment length varies from 3 minutes to 20 minutes.

Reading/Math Assessments are Common Formative Assessment that are given to all second grade students three times per year. Each test (math and reading) is designed to test the student's understanding and mastery of the Minnesota state standards set by the Minnesota Department of Education. Assessments take approximately 45 minutes to complete.

Capti ReadBasix is a comprehensive reading diagnostic approved tool specifically designed for grades 4-12 to identify those reading below the decoding threshold for successful reading comprehension. Assessment takes approximately 50 minutes to complete.

MCA Math/Reading/Science the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCAs) and alternate assessment, Minnesota Test of Academic Skills (MTAS), are the statewide tests that help districts measure student progress toward Minnesota's academic standards and meet the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). Students in grades 3-8 and 11 take the math MCA, grades 3-8 and 10 take the reading MCA, and grades 5, 8, and HS take science MCA. The MCA assessments take approximately 2 hours and 30 minutes to 3 hours each to complete. Every assessment is spread out over several days to complete; to minimize student anxiety and tiredness. MTAS assessments are administered by the special education teacher to individual students over several days.

ACT is a nationally administered, standardized paper-and-pencil test that helps colleges evaluate candidates. The test is administered in April during the school day. If students are not satisfied with their scores, they may reschedule to retake them at a later date. The ACT encompasses English, Mathematics, Reading, Science, and an optional Writing test. The ACT test is timed and takes approximately 3 hours and 30 minutes to administer. Results typically take 4-6 weeks to receive.

AP Advanced Placement exams are offered to students who have taken an Advanced Placement class during the school year. These courses are college-level studies. With a successful exam score, students earn college credit and placement. Results are available online in early July.

ASVAB is the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery assessment that helps you identify which Army jobs (Military Occupational Specialties) are best for you. The ASVAB measures your knowledge and ability in ten different areas. It is not an IQ test, but does help the Army assess which jobs you are best suited to perform. The ASVAB is a paper-pencil test given by test administrators from the federal government at our school during the school day and is optional. Registration and sign up information will be provided to students during the school year.

The following calendar contains all district and state assessments for the 2025-2026 school year. The **testing window and grade level** are indicated for each assessment. For assessments in bold print, the assessment date is set and cannot be changed by the school district. Students participating in those assessments must be here on the specified date.

September

1 NO School	2 First Day of School	3	4 TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS- K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3 STAR Math & Reading 4-12	5 TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS- K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3 STAR Math & Reading 4-12
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23 TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS-K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	24 TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS-K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	25 TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS-K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	26 TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS-K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	27 TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS-K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3
22 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	23 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	24 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	25 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	26 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3

October

		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16 No School	17 No School
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31 (end of quarter 1)

November

3	4	5	6	7
10 No School	11	12	13	14
17	18 (Conferences)	19	20 (Conferences)	21
24	25	26	27 No School	28 No School

December-No Assessments

January

			1 No School	2 No School
5	6 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	7 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	8 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	9 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3
12 TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS- K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3 STAR Math & Reading 4-12 Capti ReadBasix 4-12	13 TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS- K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3 STAR Math & Reading 4-12 Capti ReadBasix 4-12	14 TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS- K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3 STAR Math & Reading 4-12 Capti ReadBasix 4-12	15 TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS- K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3 STAR Math & Reading 4-12 Capti ReadBasix 4-12	16 (end of quarter 2) TS Gold-KickStart Informal Classroom KS- K FastBridge Math & Reading K-3 STAR Math & Reading 4-12 Capti ReadBasix 4-12
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26 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	27 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	28 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	29 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3	30 FastBridge Math & Reading K-3

February

2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16 No School	17 (Conferences)	18	19 (Conferences)	20
23	24	25	26	27

March

2	3 Pre-ACT 10th Grade	4	5	6
9 No School	10 No School	11	12	13
16 MTAS	17 MTAS	18 MTAS	19 MTAS	20 (end of quarter 3) MTAS
23 MCA Reading: Grade 3	24 MCA Reading: Grade 3	25 MCA Reading: Grade 3	26 MCA Reading: Grade 3 (If needed)	27 MCA Reading: Grade 3 (If needed)
30 MCA Math: Grade 3	31 MCA Math: Grade 3			

April

		1 MCA Math: Grade 3	2 MCA Math: Grade 3 (If needed)	3 No School
6 No School	7 ACT Exam for Juniors	8	9	10
13 MCA Reading: Grades 4-8 & 10	14 MCA Reading: Grades 4-8 & 10	15 MCA Reading: Grades 4-8 & 10	16 MCA Reading: Grades 4-8 & 10 (If needed)	17 MCA Reading: Grades 4-8 & 10 (If needed)
20 MCA Math: Grades 4-8 & 11 FastBridge KS-3	21 MCA Math: Grades 4-8 & 11 FastBridge KS-3	22 MCA Math: Grades 4-8 & 11 FastBridge KS3	23 MCA Math: Grades 4-8 & 11 (If needed) FastBridge KS-3	24 MCA Math: Grades 4-8 & 11 (If needed) FastBridge KS-3
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