

KRA Participation

2026 Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA)

Testing Window: August 24 - October 10, 2026

The Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA) is administered to all kindergarten students in Maryland during the first few weeks of school. The KRA includes a direct assessment of early literacy and math skills as well as an observational assessment of social and emotional development. **The assessment has three components: [Star Early Literacy](#), [Star Math](#), [SAEBRS](#) (Should be administered in this order).** The approximate testing time is **Star Early Literacy (10 minutes)**; **Star Math (15 minutes)**; and **SAEBRS (19 question teacher survey)**.

If you have questions about KRA test administration, please contact Krishna Miller.

If you have questions about KRA data, please contact Kristina Carr.

Please do not contact MSDE directly!

<u>KRA STCs/K Teacher(s) Checklist</u>		
KRA Task/Resource	Responsible Party	Completed
KRA Participation: <ul style="list-style-type: none">All K students who enroll on or before August 24 are required to participate in the following three BOY assessments:<ol style="list-style-type: none">Star Early LiteracyStar MathSAEBRSSchools have the option of administering assessments throughout the school year for MOY and EOY.	K Students	
SAEBRS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">No SAEBRS data should be entered before September 24.Should not be entered until teachers have completed an observation period lasting 30 calendar days.More information about properly administering		

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<p>SAEBRS can be found in the SAEBRS Administration Guidance and the Maryland KRA Test Administrator Training available in Educator Academy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● DATA DEADLINE: SAEBRS data must be entered by October 10. 		
<p>KRA Required Training Modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Resources from the TA training are available in the Educator Academy. ● Please complete the training modules on the Renaissance site by September 4: Educator Academy Instructions <p>After completing the KRA Training modules, please...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Click HERE to upload STC Certificates ● Click HERE to upload K Teacher Certificates 	<p>STCs, K Teachers must complete the required training and upload a copy of their certificate of completion.</p>	
<p>KRA in Spanish Training Modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teachers who will be administering the KRA in Spanish should also complete the Maryland KRA Spanish Test Administrator Training in Educator Academy Instructions ● Teachers who are unable to attend the webinar should complete the applicable Test Administrator Training in Educator Academy Instructions ● Anyone who completes Test Administrator Training in Educator Academy Instructions can download a certificate of completion. ● Page 16 of the Student Supports for KRA document for more information. This document is essentially an addendum to the MAAAM for KRA. 		
<p>Test Integrity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sign the Certification of Training Form and 	<p>STCs, K Teachers</p>	

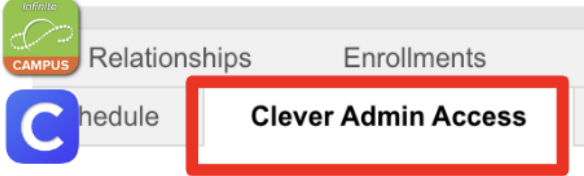
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<p align="center"><u>Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> STCs should use this link to “electronically sign” the <u>MSDE Test Administration and Certification of Training Form and Non-Disclosure Agreement</u> <p align="center"><i>(Keep a hardcopy on file at your school for six years)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Note: Paraeducators can administer the Star Early Literacy and Star Math after completing Renaissance training modules. SABRES must be completed by a certified teacher. 		
<p>KRA Test Schedules Please complete a KRA testing schedule on the iTemptra site by September 19.</p>	STCs	
<p>Assessment Administration Resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>KRA “Getting Started” Test Administration Video</u> <u>KRA Test Administration Manual (TAM)</u> - Hard copies will be shipped to schools before 8/19. <u>Star Early Literacy Resources</u> <u>Star Math Resources</u> <u>Test Administrator Checklist</u> <u>School Testing Coordinator Checklist</u> 	STCs, K Teachers	
<p>Content Standards:</p> <p>The KRA is aligned to the Maryland College and Career Ready Standards (MCCRS).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>MCCRS for Prekindergarten and Kindergarten ELA/L</u> <u>MCCRS for Kindergarten Math</u> 	K Teachers	

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<p>Test Preparation and Practice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Clickable Sample Test ● Star Early Literacy Sample Items ● Star Math Sample Items ● Introductory Videos: ● Star Early Literacy Resources ● Star Alfabetización temprana Resources 	K Teachers	
<p>Nightly Sync:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● K teacher and students will automatically sync from IC to Renaissance via Clever on a nightly basis. ● Note: Students without State ID number in Infinite Campus (IC) will be synced from IC to Renaissance (via Clever) after SASIDs are assigned in IC. We have requested a bulk upload of active kindergarten student SASIDs from MSDE. ● Please allow 10 days for SASIDs to appear in IC. 		
<p>Accessing Renaissance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teacher and student data will automatically sync from Infinite Campus to Renaissance via Clever. ● Please review these instructions for Accessing Renaissance via Clever. ● Note: After accessing Renaissance, STCs can switch views - “Leader” / “Teacher”. ● Step-by-Step Instructions for Students Accessing Star Assessments: KRA Test Administration Manual (TAM) (page 16) 	STCs, K Teachers, Students	

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<p>Note: Students will access the Renaissance platform via Clever Single Sign-On. Students will click on "I'm a Student" to access the platform.</p> <p>Note: If teachers are prompted to enter an admin password, please enter "admin".</p> <p><u>Clever Apps "Admin" Access</u> School leaders can identify and designate school-level administrator access to supporting Clever applications such as Renaissance, Great Minds, i-Ready and McGraw Hill. School leaders can elevate staff access directly in Infinite Campus by navigating to the Clever Admin Access tab. Changes take effect the following day. Follow THIS GUIDE for steps to elevate Clever access for your staff. For questions, please contact Dan Menges (dmenges@bcps.k12.md.us).</p> 		
<p>Order Additional Materials (if applicable):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Additional Order Window for paper tests is open until September 18th. • Note: STCs can contact Anthony Walters to order additional manuals or paper tests. 	STCs	
<p>Student Supports:</p> <p>The Student Supports for the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment should be used in conjunction with the Maryland Assessment, Accessibility, and Accommodations Manual to make decisions about</p>	STCs, K Teachers	

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<p>supporting students with disabilities and multilingual learners on the KRA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Student Supports for KRA ● Maryland Assessment, Accessibility, and Accommodations Manual <p><i>Note: Headsets are required for all students.</i></p>		
<p>ASL Paper Edition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Students who need to take the KRA in ASL will take both Star Early Literacy and Star Math between October 1st – 30th. ● The ASL Paper Edition will include student test books, directions for administration documents, and access to ASL gloss videos for both Star Early Literacy and Star Math. ● <i>Teachers who will be administering the KRA in ASL should attend the general KRA Test Administration Training. They will also receive access to an additional, brief training video that explains how to use the materials and enter student responses closer to the October testing window.</i> 		
<p>Multilingual Learners:</p> <p>The ELD teacher should provide a list of MLS who should take Star Matematicas. Only those students should take both the English and Spanish versions of the math assessment.</p>	ELD Teacher, K Teachers	
<p>Prior Care Errors: <i>(Link instructions for enrollment officials)</i> Deadline: October 10, 2026</p>	STCs will work with Enrollment Officials to correct Prior Care errors	
<p>Individual Student Reports will be sent to schools in early November. Please backpack the ISRs home to parents/guardians by November 25, 2026.</p>	STCs, K Teachers	

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How to ACCESS KRA Reports		
<p>Additional Administration Resources:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● KRA/ELA District and School Leader Training Video ● KRA Student Images ● Common Student Messages ● SAEBRS Administration Guidance ● Anecdotal Notetaking Tool ● Frequency Notetaking Tool ● Test Administrator Checklist ● School Testing Coordinator Checklist ● KRA and Ready to Read Screening Guidance ● KRA Parent Notification Letter English updated.pdf ● KRA Parent Notification Letter Spanish updated.pdf ● KRA FAQ.pdf ● Maryland Division of Early Childhood ● Star Assessment Smart Start ● Star Help Files ● Assess Minutes Videos 		
<p>Renaissance Support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Renaissance has Help Files that provide detailed instructions for using their platforms. From the Help Files landing page, click to the product or topic you need help with. Star Assessments, myIGDIs (for ProLADR), Next (for data), and Manage Apps & Users will be the most useful for KRA. ● Renaissance Support can be contacted in the following ways: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Phone: (800) 338-4204 ○ Chat: located in the upper-right hand corner of any Renaissance-hosted site ○ Email: support@renaissance.com 	<p>STCs, K Teachers</p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Support Center○ Hours of Operation for Phone, Chat, Email: Monday-Friday (excluding holidays), 6:30 AM – 7:00 PM CST		

Note: Resources are also available in the [KRA resource folder](#) on the STC site.

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