

## MAP-A Update

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MAP-A Test Windows 2020-2021	Start Date	End Date
Instructionally Embedded Window (required for ELA and math and encouraged for science)	September 14, 2020	December 18, 2020
Instruction and Assessment Planner in EP is Closed	December 19, 2020	January 31, 2021
Instructionally Embedded Window (required for all—ELA, math, science)	February 1, 2021	May 21, 2021

**RPDC Services for Teachers...** The nine Regional Professional Development Centers (RPDCs) throughout the state offer trainings on MAP-A and Writing Standards Based IEPs using Essential Elements. Teachers who need assistance with MAP-A may contact the closest (local) RPDC. Contact information for each of the RPDCs may be found [here](#).

**Best Practices for Choosing EEs...** Keep a record of each Essential Element tested in the Instruction and Assessment Planner. Choose EEs from each group per instructions on the Blueprints on a Linkage Level that is recommended by the system, or one lower than recommended (then you may test at the recommended level later).

- There are two factors to consider: cover the Blueprint (teach and test all the required number and types of EEs) and test on the correct number of EEs for each grade level and subject.
- Planner: Choose the Essential Elements to teach and test. Go to the landing page at [dynamiclearningmaps.org](http://dynamiclearningmaps.org). Scroll to the bottom left corner and click on Educator Portal Logon. The user name is the teacher's email address. Click on Manage Tests. Select Assessment and Instruction Planner. Fill in boxes. Click Search. Click on each icon to update the First Contact Survey and the Personal Needs Profile. Click on the subject to choose Essential Elements.
- Example 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math: Claim 1 instructions say *choose three EEs (including one from C1.1 and one from C1.3)*. The teacher has a choice of 7.NS.2.c-d or 7.RP.1-3. The teacher MAY choose 7.NS.3. The teacher has a choice of 7.NS.1 or 7.NS.2.a or 7.NS.2.b. The total number of EEs chosen from this Claim must equal three.
- Check Blueprint coverage: logon EP, click Reports, select Alternate Assessment, click Instructionally Embedded, click Blueprint Coverage, complete drop-down menus, click View.
- Check Instructionally Embedded Testing Status: Login to Educator Portal. Click on the blue box called Reports. Select Data Extracts. Choose DLM Instructionally Embedded Monitoring. Click on New File. Select DLM assessment program. Select district (leave school as select). Leave the default dates. Click Ok. The blue letters CSV will be replaced with "in queue." When they return to CSV, click on them to open the extract spreadsheet.
- Download the chart of the number of testlets required [here](#).

**See Previous MAP-A Updates...** <https://dese.mo.gov/college-career-readiness/assessment>. Scroll to the Dynamic Learning Maps icon.

## DTC Corner

**Individual Student Reports...** Go to the landing page, [dynamiclearningmaps.org](http://dynamiclearningmaps.org), and logon to Educator Portal. Click on Reports. Choose End-of-Year. Choose Students (Bundled). Choose 2020. A PDF should appear. Download it. Most districts print two copies and place one in the student's file and send one home to parents.

Please note that since assessment was shut down last spring, this year's ISRs contain information of progress to the last day of testing.

**Teacher Transfers...**When a teacher transfers to new district, contact Caryn to update the teacher's Educator Portal account to allow the retention of training history and avoid confusion in Moodle.

**Deactivation Guidelines...**When deactivating teachers at an offsite location, **DTCs must delete the teacher's connection to the district, NOT deactivate the offsite teacher** and therefore his or her connection to all the area districts. For help, call Caryn!

**Verify Educator Portal Accuracy...**Please check your district's information carefully to verify accuracy. Make sure all your school buildings are in the drop-down menu are listed correctly. Make sure your user list is accurate. Ensure the correct students are rostered to the test administrator for each subject for which they are responsible. Check student data for accuracy, **especially MOSIS numbers**.

**The Educator Identifier...**This box must match the email address exactly **for teachers only**. For other roles, the educator identifier is left blank.

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