

Michigan Kids Deserve the Best Growth Measure

Michigan's early literacy initiative recognizes how crucial reading skills are to future success. The initiative is designed to support every student in the state on the path to becoming a proficient reader by the end of third grade. NWEA® can support the Michigan Department of Education's early literacy efforts, and partner with districts and schools to help every Michigan student succeed.

You envision a bright future for your early learners. The NWEA Michigan K-3 assessment solution—a package of MAP® Growth™ and MAP Growth K-2—will help you get there with interim adaptive assessments tightly aligned to Michigan academic standards. Measure growth accurately for every student—whether they perform on, below, or above grade level. That's the value of our computer adaptive test design and our RIT scale—the most stable, mature scale in the industry.

Personalized Learning for Every Student

One size doesn't fit all when it comes to your students. MAP Growth offers powerful data to help educators personalize instruction for all learners, including those needing remediation and enrichment. Teachers can see at a glance how each student is growing academically with the Student Profile report. This snapshot includes performance compared to national norms. Additionally, class reports make it easy to group students for differentiation based on their performance.

Informing Instruction on Michigan Standards

The purpose of any good assessment is not only to help educators and leaders track how students are doing, but also to guide instructional next steps.

- + Bring early learners closer to independent reading and modify instruction to guide them toward achieving your state benchmarks
- + Support goal setting and differentiated instruction with reports that clearly show suggested areas of focus and relative strengths for all students

Partnering with NWEA

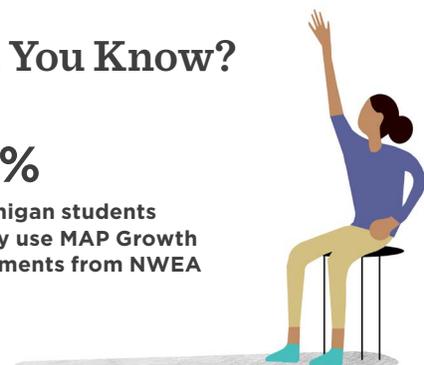
When you partner with NWEA, you get more than an assessment—you get valuable support for all educators in using data to improve learning for every student. This includes:

- + **Assessments:** Interim assessments for all K-3 students (for all three administration windows: fall, winter, and spring), as well as a series of optional Skills Checklists (short, skill-specific assessments teachers can administer as needed in between interim tests to see how students are mastering foundational skills)
- + **Professional Learning:** Online professional learning is available to all current NWEA partners at no cost. On-site professional learning and regional opportunities are available at an additional cost
- + **Technical & Implementation Support:** Focused attention—from comprehensive implementation to ongoing help via phone, email, and live chat—from our knowledgeable specialists

Did You Know?

60%

of Michigan students already use MAP Growth assessments from NWEA



Predicting Proficiency on M-STEP

Make sure your youngest students are on track for success, and help those who are struggling before state testing begins. MAP Growth will show you who is in need of extra support, close to meeting the standards, on track, and exceeding expectations.

Test Administration Recommendations by Grade

MAP Growth comes in two versions: MAP Growth (designed for independent readers, appropriate for grades 2+) and MAP Growth K-2 (designed with extra audio support for non-independent readers).

Test Windows

MAP Growth and MAP Growth K-2 interim assessments can be administered three times per year: in the fall, winter, and spring. We recommend keeping all test windows short (3-4 weeks) and consistent from year to year, with 9-12 weeks between windows when possible. This timing ensures that students are compared to one another after receiving about the same amount of instruction; helps you accurately compare results to norms; and supplies valid growth comparisons from year to year.

Test Windows

Recommended Fall Test Window	Beginning of academic year (K-3 students must be tested within the first 30 days of school)
Recommended Winter Test Window	Middle of academic year (a 3-4 week window between weeks 15-22)
Recommended Spring Test Window	End of academic year (a 3-4 week window between weeks 28-34)
Recommended Time Between Fall and Spring Testing	-32 weeks of instruction

Accessibility and Accommodations

	Windows	Chromebook	Mac	iPad
Accessibility				
Keyboard Navigation	●	●	●	
Accommodations				
Screen Reader (JAWS)	●			
Refreshable Braille	●			
Color Contrast	●○	●○	●○	●○
Magnification	●○	●○	●○	●○
Test Aids				
Highlighter	●	●	●	
Item Aids				
Calculator	●	●	●	●

MAP Growth ● MAP Growth K-2 ○

Compatibility With Your Technology

The NWEA Comprehensive Assessment Platform is compatible with most popular operating systems, browsers, and devices to make testing as seamless as possible. Download a detailed technical requirements document here: nwea.us/tech-regs

Devices & Operating Systems Supported

Windows*: 7, 8, 8.1, 10
Macintosh*: OS® X v10.9 to 10.12
iPad**: iOS 9, 10 (iPad v.1 is not supported, and Pro models require the latest MAP Testing App)
Chromebook™: Google Chrome™ OS 41 or higher

Browsers Supported

Firefox, Chrome and Safari (for exact versions supported on each operating system, see detailed requirements)

* Currently only supported for test-taking, not reporting/administration.