



What is MAP?

MAP is a computer-based, adaptive, nationally normed test that places a student's test results on a K-12 scale. This is different from most standardized tests, which measure how accurately a student answers questions specific to one grade's state standards.

Students take the test three times per year, in August, December, and May.

In grades K-1, students take the MAP Fluency reading test. This audio-based test assesses reading skills at the K-5 level.

In grades 2-8, and grade 1 in May only, students take the MAP Growth tests in Reading and Mathematics.

In grades 5-8, in August only, students take the MAP Growth test in Language Usage. This test assesses grammar and mechanics.



Testing Results

The MAP results are immediately available to teachers. We can see which general areas of a subject students have mastered, and which are ready to be introduced.

MAP Growth reports are available to families before the three parent-teacher conferences each year.

The MAP Fluency test provides reports to the teachers to form leveled groups and inform instruction, but does not create a report for families.



How does Helios use MAP scores?

Helios combines MAP scores with classroom observations and work samples to get a complete view of a student. Often, MAP scores tell us where to begin asking questions, more than answering questions. For instance, if the score is different from what the teacher observes in class, we can investigate why; if the score confirms what we see in class, we can ask more detailed questions about how to accommodate the student's individual needs.

The MAP Reading Fluency test in lower grades is used to flag reading difficulties for further evaluation and intervention.



Additional Information

- Parent Site [here](#)
- NWEA MAP Family Toolkit webpage [here](#)

Informational Parent Coffee Recording

- Fall 2022 Zoom recording and slides available at this [link](#)

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