Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) 2024-2025 School Year

The Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP) is comprised of state assessments in the areas of mathematics, English/reading/language arts, science, and social sciences. These assessments are required for students enrolled in grades three through high school and are designed to measure a student's mastery of the content. This program will build a pathway to measure a student's progress toward obtaining college and career readiness (CCR). In addition, these assessments will provide educators with valuable information to inform instruction and provide student support. Students will receive a paper copy of their score report after they have been shipped to the schools.

Elementary and Middle School MCAP Assessments

Assessment	Grade Level(s)	Month(s) Assessed	Purposes of the Assessment
MISA 5 & 8 (Science)	5 and 8	March	School accountability with the results posted on MD Report Card.
<u>Mathematics</u>	3 through 8	April-May	Mastery of content learned at that grade level.
English/Language Arts (ELA)	3 through 8	April-May	Course placement, intervention, and enrichment.
Social Studies 8	8	May	CCR designation for mathematics and ELA at the high school level.

High School MCAP Assessments

At the high school level, students enrolled in the course designated below will participate in the assessment near the completion of the course. Beginning in the 2023-24 school year, graduation requirements for Biology and American Government courses now require students to take the state assessment as an end-of-course (EOC) exam.

Assessment	Time of Year	Score Impact					
	Assessed	Graduation	College and Career	Dual Enrollment	Seal of		
		Assessment	Ready (CCR)	*Tuition Waiver may be	Biliteracy		
		Requirement	Requirement	granted in other ways. Click link for more details.			
Algebra I	December-	Participate	Interim CCR Standard: Performance Level of 3 or 4 or	Tuition waiver, if			
(May be taken in middle	January, April-		SAT Math >=520	CCR in Interim or			
school)	May		New CCR Standard: Performance Level of 3 or 4	New CCR standard			
Geometry	December-	N/A	Interim CCR Standard: Performance Level of 3 or 4 or	Tuition waiver, if			
(May be taken in middle	January, April-		SAT Math >=520	CCR in Interim or			
school)	May		New CCR Standard: Score not used for new CCR	New CCR standard			
<u>Algebra II</u>			standard				
English 10	December-	Participate	Performance Level	Tuition waiver, if	Participate		
	January, April-		of 3 or 4	CCR in Interim or	_		
	May			New CCR standard			
LS MISA End of course	December-	Pass the	N/A				
(EOC) assessment**	January, May	Biology					
20% of Final Grade.		course					
Government End of course	December-	Pass the	N/A				
(EOC) assessment**	January, May	American					
20% of Final Grade.		Government					
		course					

^{**}Graduation assessment requirements for Biology (LS MISA) and American Government (Government) will now be met through the end-of-course exams. The End-of-Course (EOC) exams were adopted by the State Board on July 25, 2021. The EOC exams comprise 20 percent of the student's final grade in the relevant courses. Students must earn a passing course grade to earn course credit. Students who do not earn a passing course grade will need to repeat the course.**