

Herman-Norcross Community School Testing Program

<u>Test Name</u>	<u>Objective of Test / Use of Results</u>	<u>Source of Requirement</u>	<u>Grades</u>
MN Comprehensive Assessments (MCA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accountability for federal programs • Designed to measure student progress toward Minnesota's academic standards and meet the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) • Summary of test results are used for local school improvement analysis and guide curriculum and instruction • Special programs use individual results for program placement decisions • <i>Time: Untimed (typical range for reading & math: 1 – 2.5 hours; science: 0.5 – 1.5 hours)</i> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Minn. Stat. 120B.30</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>ESEA</u></p>	<p>Reading: 3rd – 8th, 10th</p> <p>Math: 3rd – 8th, 11th</p> <p>Science: 3rd – 8th and one year in high school</p>
MN Tests of Academic Skills (MTAS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alternate standard-based accountability assessment, designed for, and limited to, students with the most significant cognitive disabilities • Designed to measure student progress toward Minnesota's academic standards and meet the requirements of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) • <i>Time: Untimed (typical range for reading: 45 min. – 90 min.; math & science: 30 min. – 60 min)</i> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Minn. Stat. 120B.30</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>ESEA</u></p>	<p>Reading: 3rd – 8th, 10th</p> <p>Math: 3rd – 8th, 11th</p> <p>Science: 3rd – 8th and one year in high school</p>

ACCESS for ELL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An English language proficiency accountability assessment based on the WIDA English Language Development Standards • Assess progress towards meeting the WIDA English Language Development Standards • Used to determine academic needs and track progress of English Language Learners (ELL) in core areas • <i>Time: 60 – 90 minutes depending on subject</i> 	ESEA	Reading, Speaking, Listening, and Writing: K-12 th
Alternate ACCESS for ELL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An individually administered English language proficiency accountability assessment developed specifically for English learners who have significant cognitive disabilities • Used to determine academic needs and track progress of cognitively impaired English Language Learners (ELL) • <i>Time: Untimed</i> 	ESEA	Reading, Speaking, Listening, and Writing: K-12 th
FAST Bridge Assessments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measure individual student progress in reading fluency, mathematics, and compare to national norms • Test results are used for individual student programming • Summary of results are used to guide curriculum and instruction decisions and to improve reading and math programming • <i>Time: Untimed; administered individually; about 5 minutes for general and 20 minutes for aRead/aMath Fall, Winter and Spring administration</i> 		PreK – 8 th

<p>Armed Service Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military. • Helps determine student aptitudes and interests • Assists with career and post-high school planning • Time: 2hr 53 min. time limit for online assessment and 2hr 29 min. time limit for paper & pencil assessment 		<p>11th</p>
<p>ACT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standardized test used for college admission • Provides students with information related to college and career readiness • The ACT test covers four academic skill areas: English, mathematics, reading, and science. It also offers an optional direct writing test. • The school district offers the ACT to juniors every spring at no cost. Students can take the ACT at the school again their senior year but are responsible for the cost of the exam. 	<p>Minn. Stat. 120B.30</p>	<p>11th – 12th</p>
<p>PSAT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measures readiness for college • Provides access to scholarships • Practice for SAT • Student responsible for cost 		<p>10th & 11th (targeted at 11th grade students)</p>
<p>MN Citizenship Test</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MN law requires all high school students to pass a Civics Test (50 of the 100 questions from the United States Customs and Immigration Services (USCIS) civics test.) • Students must correctly answer at least 30 of the 50 questions • Student may be given the questions as many times as necessary to pass • <i>Time: Untimed</i> 	<p>Minn. Stat. 120B.02</p>	<p>9th – 12th (given during the year a student is enrolled in Civics)</p>