



ISD #118 Northland Community Schools

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Your student will have the opportunity to take the 2024 Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCAs). Both federal and state statutes require the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments. The results from these assessments are one way to measure how successful Northland Public School District is at implementing the Minnesota Academic Standards.

Testing will begin March 19th and make-ups will conclude in May.

- 3rd, 4th, 6th & 7th grade students will be taking the MCA for Math and Reading.
- 5th & 8th grade students will be taking the MCA for Math, Reading, and Science.
- 10th grade students will be taking the MCA for Reading
- 11th Grade students will be taking the MCA for Math.
- High School Biology students will take the MCA for Science.

Testing schedules:

- [2024 MCA Schedule](#)

Preparation suggestions for a successful test day:

- Ensure your student eats a healthy breakfast.
- Ensure your student is hydrated.
- Ensure your student gets 8 hours of sleep.
- Encourage your student(s) to try their best.

Contact the school for inquiries. Additional information regarding MCA testing is found on the Northland Community Schools district website. The MCA test is encouraged but not a required test. If you would like your student to opt out of MCA testing for the 2023-2024 year, a parent/guardian will need to sign an opt-out form and return it to the Student Support Office. Additional MCA information and opt-out forms can be found by clicking on this [link](#).

Thank you for your partnership.

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District Assessment Coordinators