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NWEA MAP (www.nwea.org)	Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) state-aligned computerized adaptive tests that accurately reflect the instructional level of each student and measure growth over time. The assessment adapts to the student's ability, accurately measuring what a child knows and needs to learn. In addition, MAP tests measure academic growth over time, independent of grade level or age. Most importantly, the results educators receive have practical application to teaching and learning.	Northwest Evaluation Association	K-12	Reading/Language Arts, Math, Science	Yes (adaptive)	up to 4 times per year	Untimed (need approximately 55 minutes)	NRT w/ state cuts	Preliminary results available immediately after administration, dynamic reports can take up to one week after results are uploaded to NWEA	Yes	Annual Per Student License Fee: Ranges \$12.50-\$15.00/student. Science and Primary grades are extra cost	One time implementation fee that includes onsite training-\$2700. Three Series Onsite Training (Stepping Stones Training) \$3700 each
Scantron (Performance Series)	Performance Series from Scantron is a computer-adaptive test that quickly pinpoints the proficiency level of students, across a range of subjects that correspond with the specific standards of the state. Scantron's solution combines a research-based, content-rich computer adaptive test known as Performance Series and a content-neutral, highly flexible testing product known as Achievement Series.	Pearson	Gr. 2-10	Reading, Language Arts, Math, Science & Inquiry	Yes (adaptive)	2 times	45 minutes for each content area	NRT	Immediate once assessment is completed	Align with Colorado Frameworks and blueprints in Math, Reading and Science (general assessment and/or scientific reasoning).	Annual Per Student License Fee: Ranges \$15.00-\$16.00/student	One time implementation fee that includes onsite training-\$2500. Three Series Onsite Training \$3200 each
Acuity	Acuity is a learning-based assessment program for Math and Reading in grades 3-8, as well as Algebra. Available on the Web and in paper and pencil, Acuity aligns to your state's standards and delivers targeted instructional materials to help prepare students for NCLB exams.	CTB McGraw-Hill.	Gr. 3-12	Math & Reading/Language Usage (Gr. 3-8); Algebra (Gr. 6-12); & Science (Gr. 3-8)	Yes & Paper/Pencil	up to 4 times per year	Untimed (need approximately 55 minutes)	NRT w/ state cuts	Immediate once assessment is completed	Yes	Annual Per Student License Fees and an annual district fee.	Offers a full range of training options
ITBS	Iowa Tests of Basic Skills (ITBS)	Riverside Publishing	K-8	Reading, Language Usage, Math, Science & Social Studies	No, Paper/Pencil	Once-Fall	Contact Vendor	NRT	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor	Depends on test (al la carte), answer booklets, scoring guides, teacher guides, etc and is on a per student basis.	Contact Vendor
Stanford 10 (http://pearsonassess.com/HAIWEB/Cultures/en-us/Productdetail.htm?Pid=SAT10A)	The Stanford Achievement Test measures student progress toward high academic standards. The Stanford 10 (SAT 10) multiple-choice assessment will help educators find out what students know and are able to do. This technically excellent instrument provides the valid and reliable tool needed for objective measurement of achievement. Administrators will obtain reliable data to evaluate progress toward meeting the challenges set forth by the No Child Left Behind Act and national and state standards and high expectations. Teachers will identify and help children who are at risk of being left behind. Parents will understand what their children know and can do and how they can help. An online version is now available	Pearson	K-12	Reading, Language Usage, Math, & Science	Yes	2 times	Untimed with flexible guidelines	NRT	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor	Depends on test (al la carte) and is on a per student basis. Also, whether online or paper/pencil version	Contact Vendor
Yearly Progress Pro	Yearly ProgressProTM is a CBM-based progress monitoring tool developed by CTB/McGraw-Hill available in Grades 1-8. It combines ongoing formative assessment, prescriptive instruction, reporting, and a data management system. Yearly ProgressPro provides teachers and administrators with tools to support student achievement by measuring the effectiveness of instruction, and tracking both mastery and retention of grade level skills. Tutorial lessons, including instruction and guided practice, can be automatically prescribed according to the group or individual student's skill levels. Yearly ProgressPro is intended to be implemented in a Response to Intervention [RTI] model as a progress monitoring tool.	CTB McGraw-Hill.	Gr. 1-8	Reading, Language Usage & Math	Contact Vendor	weekly	Ranges from 2 Mins-15 Mins. Weekly	CRT	Contact Vendor	Yes	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor
CompassLearning Explorer (www.compasslearning.com)	An online assessment tool that diagnoses student strengths and weaknesses on tested objectives; assesses student learning against state and national standards; and automatically prescribes personalized learning paths for remediation, reinforcement, and enrichment. At the heart of the Explorer program is CompassLearning Odyssey Manager, which delivers research-based, standards-aligned assessment and curriculum, and provides detailed reports on individual student and group progress. Odyssey Manager also allows teachers to create, modify, and customize test items to meet their students' needs.	Compass Learning	Gr. K-8	Reading, Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, Science	Yes	3 times per year	Contact Vendor	CRT	Contact Vendor	Yes	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor

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i-Know Online (http://www.iknowthat.com/com/SPage?SWF=/HomePageOpen/Information/FirstTimeTeacher)	iknowthat.com is a website full of pre-made & teacher-made classroom assessments and fun learning activities for children in grades PreK-6. You'll find hundreds of standards based education topics in math, language arts, science, social studies, and the arts. There's even a Teacher Guide that highlights learning objectives, by grade for every activity.	CTB/McGraw-Hill	Gr. 3-8	Reading, Math, Social Studies, Science, Language	Yes	12 month license - as often as desired	N/A	CRT	N/A	Yes	N/A	N/A
STAR Reading, Early Literacy, & Math (http://www.renlearn.com/sr/)	STAR Reading is a standardized, computer-adaptive RTI progress monitoring tool recognized as reliable and valid by the National Center on Student Progress Monitoring. It immediately generates informative reports to guide teachers in placing students in specific programs. STAR assessments may be given monthly, or even weekly, to monitor students' growth, inform instruction, and track student progress over time and across grades.	Renaissance Learning	Pre K - 3 (Early Literacy) Gr. 1-12 (Reading & Math)	Early Literacy, Reading & Math	Yes (adaptive)	Weekly or Monthly	Approx. 10 Mins.	Reading (Both), Early Lit. & Math (NRT)	Immediate	Yes	One time \$1,599 per STAR product fee, Plus the annual per student fee (Approx.\$7 per student)	Variety of Professional Development Options Available
DIBELS (Dynamic indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills) http://dibels.uoregon.edu/dibels-what.php	an acronym for Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills, a set of short, individually administered measures used to regularly monitor pre-reading and early reading skills. One of the three approved literacy assessments that meets the Colorado Basic Literacy Act (CBLA)	University of Oregon	Gr. K-3	Reading	No	3 times: Beginning, Middle, End	1 Minute	NRT	Immediate	Meets CBLA requirement	?	?
Phonological Awareness Literacy Screening (PALS) http://pals.virginia.edu/rd-background.html	PALS is a screening tool for the detection of students in need of early intervention services and/or additional instruction. PALS consists of three instruments, PALS-PreK (for preschool students), PALS-K (for kindergartners), and PALS 1-3 (for students in Grades 1-3). PALS also informs teachers' instruction by providing them with explicit information about their students' knowledge of literacy fundamentals. Mid-year assessment and PALS Quick Checks allow for ongoing student progress monitoring throughout the year. One of the three approved literacy assessments that meets the Colorado Basic Literacy Act (CBLA).	University of Virginia	Gr. K-3	Reading	No	2 times	Short	Contact Vendor	Immediate	Meets CBLA requirement	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor
Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA 2) http://plgcatalog.pearson.com	Designed to help educators determine each student's independent reading level, identify instructional needs, and monitor progress. Reading behaviors including reading engagement, fluency, accuracy, and comprehension are measured. One of the three approved literacy assessments that meets the Colorado Basic Literacy Act (CBLA).	Pearson	K-8	Reading	No	2 times	Short	CRT	Immediate	Meets CBLA requirement	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor
AIMSweb Pro Complete (http://www.aimsweb.com/)	AIMSweb is a progress monitoring system based on direct, frequent and continuous student assessment. The results are reported to students, parents, teachers and administrators via a web-based data management and reporting system to determine response to intervention. Measures for Reading, Early Literacy, Spelling, Writing, Early Numeracy, Math and support for DIBELS™.	Pearson	K-12	Reading	No-Paper/Pencil	3 times	Contact Vendor	NRT	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor	Site license subscriptions are fixed windows that run August 1- July 31 and are on a per student basis. AIMSweb subscriptions include free, unlimited downloads of the assessments included in the package you choose. AIMSweb Pro Complete, our most popular product, includes all the AIMSweb assessments. If you prefer, pre-printed assessment materials are also available for purchase.	AIMSweb subscriptions include access to all necessary implementation guides and manuals. However, we recommend professional development for an easier, speedier, and more successful implementation. Options include: 1) Private Onsite Training (2 days) 2) Open Workshops (2 days - hosted at various locations around the country) 3) Online Training (self-paced training over the web in an 8 week window)
ASVAB (http://www.asvabprogram.com/)	The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery is the most widely used multiple-aptitude test battery in the world. As an aptitude test, the ASVAB measures student strengths, weaknesses, and potential for future success. The ASVAB also provides students with career information for various civilian and military occupations and is an indicator for success in future endeavors whether students choose to go to college, vocational school, or a military career.	Department of Defense	Gr. 9, 10 & 11	General science, arithmetic reasoning, word knowledge, paragraph comprehension, mathematics knowledge, electronics information, auto and shop information & mechanical comprehension.	No-Paper/Pencil	Year Round	2 hrs 40 minutes to 3 hours for all sections	NRT	Approximately 2 weeks	?	No Cost	Contact Vendor

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EXPLORE (http://www.act.org/explore/)	The EXPLORE program is designed to help 8th and 9th graders explore a broad range of options for their future. EXPLORE prepares students not only for their high school coursework, but for their post-high school choices as well. It marks an important beginning for a student's future academic and career success.	ACT (EPAS)	Gr. 8, 9	English, reading, math and science.	No-Paper/Pencil	No designated window	Approximately 3 hours (this includes the needs assessment and interest inventory).	NRT	15 days from the receipt of answer documents	No	\$6.84 per student (accommodated test materials are additional)	Contact Vendor	
PLAN (http://www.act.org/plan/)	The PLAN program helps 10th graders build a solid foundation for future academic and career success and provides information needed to address school districts' high-priority issues. It is a comprehensive guidance resource that helps students measure their current academic development, explore career/training options, and make plans for the remaining years of high school and post-graduation years.	ACT (EPAS)	Gr. 10	English, reading, mathematics and science.	No-Paper/Pencil	No designated window but typically fall of sophomore year	Approximately 3 hours (this includes the needs assessment and interest inventory).	NRT	15 days from the receipt of answer documents	No	\$6.84 per student (accommodated test materials are additional)	Contact Vendor	
ReadiStep (http://www.readistep.com/)	The Readistep is a low-stakes middle school assessment that provides teachers with early feedback to help students identify the skills they need to be college ready. The assessment was developed jointly between CollegeBoard and middle school teachers as well as other education experts. The results provide information on skills students currently possess, and those they need to develop as well as information on how to develop those skills.	CollegeBoard	Gr. 8	Reading, writing skills and mathematics. Science is separate	No-Paper/Pencil	2 Times (Fall & spring)	120 minutes (reading writing and mathematics) **additional time required for science	NRT	3-4 weeks after materials are received	Contact Vendor	Approximately \$8.00. Science is additional	Contact Vendor	
PSAT (www.collegeboard.com)	The SAT®/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test is a co-sponsored program by the College Board and National Merit Scholarship Corporation. PSAT/NMSQT stands for Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test. It's a standardized test that provides firsthand practice for the SAT Reasoning Test™. It also gives students a chance to enter National Merit Scholarship Corporation scholarship programs	Co-sponsored by CollegeBoard & National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC)	Gr.10 & 11	Reading, writing and mathematics. Both multiple choice and constructed response item types are used. Includes an online career planning tool that provides a score report, a study plan, college matches and major and career matches. SAT Subject Tests for Biology, chemistry or physics are given as separate tests.	No-Paper/Pencil	Specific assessment dates in the fall	2 hours 10 minutes. One hour additional for science test	NRT	Approximately 6 weeks after test administration	No	Approximately \$13. Science is an additional \$27.10	N/A	
SAT (www.collegeboard.com)	The SAT Reasoning Test is the nation's most widely used admissions test among colleges and universities. It tests students' knowledge of subjects that are necessary for college success: reading, writing, and mathematics. The SAT assesses the critical thinking skills students need for academic success in college—skills that students learned in high school. The SAT is one of the best predictors of how well students will do in college.	CollegeBoard	Gr. 11,12	SAT Subject Tests for Biology, chemistry or physics are given as separate tests.	No-Paper/Pencil	Offered Numerous times per year	Three hours and 45 minutes. One hour additional for science	NRT	20 days to five weeks	No	\$40.50. Science is an additional \$27.10	N/A	
The Colorado ACT	The ACT test assesses high school students' general educational development and their ability to complete college-level work.	CollegeBoard	Gr. 11	English, mathematics, reading, and science. Writing Test, which is optional, measures skill in planning and writing a short essay.	No-Paper/Pencil	Once-Spring	Approx. 3 hrs	NRT	August	Yes	N/A	Yes, DAC	

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TABE (http://www.ctb.com/products/product_summary.jsp?FOLDER%3C%3Efolder_id=1408474395247195)	TABE stands for Tests of Adult Basic Education and the complete battery contains tests of reading, mathematics and language with science as a stand alone assessment and is appropriate for grades 9-11. TABE is used by adult basic education programs, business and industry and high schools across the county. It assists in determining the skills of applications and employees. TABE goes beyond assessing specific skills to include higher order thinking by assessing a students use of specific knowledge in its application. It mirrors curricula used in high schools and adult education programs.	CTB McGraw-Hill.	Gr. 9, 10 & 11	Reading, Mathematics, and Language. Science is a separate, stand alone assessment. As well as optional spelling, vocabulary & language mechanics tests	Yes & Online	Once-Fall	Approx. 3 hrs – science will require additional time.	NRT and/or optional CRT	Immediate for online, Paper-pencil turnaround is dependent on school scan and score schedule.	Aligned with the General Educational Development Test (GED).	From approximately \$6 to \$9. TestMate for online \$3406.00	?
Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) (http://www.riverpub.com/products/cogati/index.html)	The Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAT) measures students' learned reasoning abilities in the three areas most linked to academic success in school: Verbal, Quantitative and Nonverbal. Although its primary goal is to assess students' reasoning abilities, CogAT can also provide predicted achievement scores when administered with The Iowa Basic Tests.	Riverside Publishing	K-12	Assess students' abilities in reasoning and problem solving using verbal, quantitative, and nonverbal (spatial) symbols	No	Contact Vendor	30 minutes or less per session for Level K; 50 minutes or less per session for Levels 1-2	NRT	Contact Vendor	No	Dependant upon items purchased: pretest materials, testing booklets, answer documents, scoring & reporting materials, posttest & support materials	Contact Vendor
TerraNova CTBS (http://www.ctb.com/products/product_summary.jsp?FOLDER%3C%3Efolder_id=1408474395222551)	TerraNova CTBS Multiple Assessments editions, for Grades 1-12, combine selected-response items with constructed-response items that allow students to produce short and extended responses. Both item formats are presented in contexts related to situations in and out of the classroom.	CTB McGraw-Hill.	K-12	Reading/Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies	No-Paper/Pencil	Contact Vendor	Ranges dependant upon test and grade	NRT	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor
EduSoft (http://www.riverpub.com/products/edusoft/faqs.html)	EduSoft is a web-based assessment platform. We help administrators and teachers create and administer tests and track student performance on state exams, district benchmark exams and teacher tests. Our testing, reporting and curriculum management solution gives districts the information they need to help improve instruction and student performance. For more information, visit the Product Details section of our website.	Riverside Publishing	K-12	Mathematics, English/Language Arts, Science and Social Studies	Yes & Paper/Pencil	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor	Both	24 hours	Yes	Districts pay a yearly licensing fee, as well as a data integration fee for state tests and roster information. Each school must purchase a scanner (around \$450) Contact Edusoft directly for pricing estimates.	Contact Vendor
Galileo K-12 Online (http://www.ati-online.com/galileoK12/indexK12.html)	Galileo technology from ATI is built on the principles of science, supported by a commitment to research and guided by a vision that everyone should benefit from the opportunities and transformations of technology. ATI products and services offer schools effective ways to integrate research-based assessment, school information management systems, and curriculum. Galileo links assignments, web-based gradebook, and online testing with district goals and state standards for learning. Galileo provides meaningful data for decision-making and facilitates communication between school and family — all with rapid access and flexible reporting formats.	Assessment Technology Inc.	K-12 (has a PreK component)	Mathematics, English/Language Arts, Science and Social Studies	Yes & Paper/Pencil	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor	Both	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor	Contact Vendor