

2021-2022 Student Testing Information

Bethlehem Academy will be using the following assessments during the 2021-2022 school year. These assessments provide the school and our families with information that can be used to help students develop academically. Our ultimate goal is to help each student maximize their academic performance and prepare them for post high school studies and/or the world of work.

MAP Growth – For students currently in grades 6, 7 and 8

By dynamically adjusting to each student's test responses, MAP Growth Exams create a personalized assessment experience that accurately measures individual student performance in the areas of English, math, language arts and science (grade 6 science in the fall and grade 8 science in the spring). Middle school students are automatically registered for these tests which are paid for by the school. Learn more about MAP at:

<https://www.nwea.org/map-growth/>

Anticipated testing dates for grade 6, 7, 8 students are:

- Tuesday, September 21; Wednesday, September 22; Thursday, September 23; and Friday, September 24 (6th Science)
- Monday, February 7; Tuesday February 8; and Thursday, February 10
- Monday, May 2; Tuesday, May 3; Wednesday May 4 (8th Science); and Thursday, May 5

Pre ACT – For students currently in grades 9 and 10

The ACT is the most common college entrance exam in Minnesota and the United States. It is commonly taken by students in spring of their junior year and/or fall of their senior year. The Pre-ACT is designed to prepare students for taking the ACT. It is a standards-based assessment which monitors progress toward college and career readiness. Students are automatically registered for these tests which are paid for by the school. Learn more about the Pre ACT at:

<https://www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/Welcome-What-is-PreACT.pdf>

- Anticipated testing dates for students: Tues, April 5 and Thurs, April 7

PSAT – For current 11th grade students

The Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test (PSAT) is part of an integrated system of tests that measure what students are learning in class, and what they need to succeed in college. The PSAT is also the test required for National Merit Scholar Competition for students in grade 11. Interested 10th and 11th grade students registered through the Bethlehem Academy Counseling office last spring. This test is paid for by the school. Learn more about the PSAT at: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>

- Anticipated testing dates for students: Wednesday, October 13

Practice ACT – An unofficial, practice try on the ACT exam for all 11th grade students

The ACT is the most common college entrance exam in the United States. Many colleges and Universities use it for making entrance decisions. Most students take the exam as juniors and some early in their senior year. Bethlehem Academy will give all 11th grade students an unofficial practice attempt at the exam, at no charge. Learn more about the ACT at: www.ACT.org

- Anticipated testing date for the Practice ACT: Monday, September 27