



Dear Parents/Guardians:

Your student will have the opportunity to take the 2022 Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCAs). The Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments are required by both federal and state statute, and the results from these assessments is one way to measure how successful Albert Lea is at implementing the Minnesota Academic Standards.

Testing will begin in March and will conclude in May.

- 8th grade students will be taking the MCA for Math, Reading, and Science.
- 10th grade students will be taking the MCA for Reading and Science.
- 11th Grade students will be taking the MCA for Math.

Preparation suggestions for a successful test day:

- Ensure your student charges their Chromebook and brings it the day of testing.
- Ensure your student eats a healthy breakfast.
- Ensure your student is hydrated.
- Ensure your student gets 8 hours of sleep.
- Encourage your student to try their best.

Contact the school for inquiries. Information regarding MCA testing is also on the Albert Lea 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 2021-2022 year, an opt out form will need to be signed by a parent/guardian and returned to the high school front office. Opt out forms can be found, by clicking on this [link](#), on the Albert Lea School District website or in the office.

Thank you for your support,

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