

Education Maine Through Year & Maine Science Assessments Updates

NWEA Maine Through Year Assessment

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Preparing for the Optional Winter Administration

December 16: Acacia platform opens for pre-administration activities, such as assigning supports and accommodations

January 6 - February 14: Administration window

Professional Learning Opportunities

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Maine DOE and NWEA have developed several professional learning (PL) opportunities for the 2024-25 school year. Below are the offerings for this winter. Visit the NWEA PL registration website for more information.

Student-Centered Assessment Literacy* (Registration Link)

- Session 1: What is assessment literacy? What helps make assessment processes and practices matter to students?
 - January 16, 2025, 3:00-4:30 PM
- Session 2: Which structures and strategies support a culture of learning? How do you use classroom assessment tools to build assessment literacy?
 - January 30, 2025, 3:00-4:30 PM

Applying Classroom Assessment Standards* (Registration Link)

- Session 1: What existing frameworks can guide teachers' classroom assessment practices and inform decisions?
 - January 14, 2025, 3:00-4:30 PM
- Session 2: What are the main components of quality assessment practices?
 - February 10, 2025, 3:00-4:30 PM

Using Achievement Level Descriptors to Ensure Classroom Rigor (Registration Link)

February 27, 2025, 3:00-4:30 PM

^{*}Attendance at session 1 is <u>not</u> necessary for attendance at session 2.

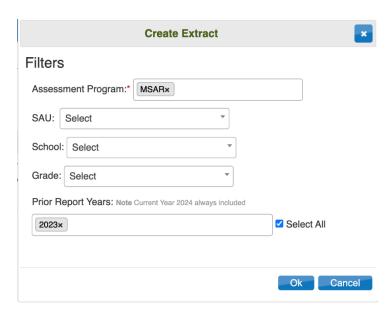
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Student Score Reports

Spring 2024 SAU, school, and student reports became available on October 8th in the Kite Reporting Platform.

You can now generate a Student Score Data File (CSV data extract) with more than one year of data utilizing the "Prior Report Years" option when creating the extract. (See screenshot below.) Please note that the SSDF will automatically include Spring 2024 data.



If you are the identified District Assessment Coordinator in NEO and need an account created for you, please reach out to Krista Averill at Krista. Averill@maine.gov.

If you are an administrator or educator seeking access to your students' scores, please reach out to your District Assessment Coordinator. The DAC may either create an account for you in the Kite Reporting Platform or provide you with the requested score information.

If you already have an account for the Kite platform but are struggling to login or access reports, please contact the Kite Service Desk at Kite-support@ku.edu or (855) 277-9752.

Webinar Recording Available

The <u>Understanding the Maine Science Assessment and Utilizing Score Reports webinar recording</u> from November 4th is now available.

Practice Tests and Released Items

Practice tests are online set of questions meant to familiarize students with the assessment platform, its tools, and the types of questions they may encounter when they take the Maine Science Assessment.

- Practice Test and Tutorial Codes
- Login at adamexam.com/tester

Released items are test questions that are no longer in use and have been made available to the public.

- The "For Student" copy resembles a test booklet.
- The "For Teachers" version contains the answer key, standards alignment, and rubrics for constructed response questions.

Released items are located on the Maine Science Assessment webpage, under the Content drop-down menu.

Looking Ahead to Spring 2025

Administration Schedule:

High School: April 2-17, 2025Grades 5 and 8: May 12-23, 2025

Changes to the Administration

• ALL Grade Levels: Removal of Session 4 (Student Questionnaire)

• High School ONLY: Sessions 1, 2, and 3 reduced from 60 minutes each to 50 minutes each