

2020-2021 Student Testing Information

Bethlehem Academy will use the following assessments during the 2020-2021 school year. These assessments provide the school and families with information that can be used to help students develop academically. Our 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 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.

MS Testing Dates:

Monday, October 5; Tuesday, October 6; Wednesday, October 7 (6TH Science); and Thursday, October 8

Monday, February 1; Tuesday, February 2; Thursday, February 4

Monday, May 3; Tuesday, May 4; Wednesday May 5 (8th Science); and Thursday, May 6

Learn more about MAP at: <https://www.nwea.org/map-growth/>

ACT ASPIRE – For students currently in grades 9 and 10

ASPIRE is a standards-based system of assessments which monitors progress toward college and career readiness, connecting each grades level of progress to the next. 9th and 10th grade students are automatically registered for these tests which are paid for by the school. Anticipated testing dates for students: **Tuesday, April 6 and Thursday April 8**

Learn more about ASPIRE at: <https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/act-aspire.html>

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. **Fall testing dates for students: Wednesday, October 28.** Interested juniors not signed up should contact Ms. Rogers as there is a second PSAT being offered January 26.

Learn more about the PSAT at: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat-nmsqt-psat-10>

Practice ACT – An official practice ACT test 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 10th grade students an official practice exam at no charge. **Practice ACT test date: Wednesday, September 30.**

Learn more about the ACT at: www.ACT.org