


Crosswalk of Maryland and PGCPS Assessments for SY 2021-22

Although TestNav is the student assessment platform for both state and PGPS assessments, there are several key differences in how the tests are accessed, delivered and reported.

	Maryland	PGCPS
Assessments	MCAP	Benchmarks, FAST, District Common Assessments, School-Created Assessments
System Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Click here for Pearson Access requirements. • Click here for TestNav requirements. • For virtual students using personal devices, some tests require use of the TestNav app: https://download.testnav.com/ 	
	MCAP must be administered via the TestNav app.	If needed, PGCPS tests can be taken via a browser that meets the Browser-based TestNav – Requirements in the link above, except for ESOL tests which have audio capture and therefore must be taken through the app with the associated requirements.
Student Login	When students sign in to TestNav, they select the Maryland link 	Students use the Student Portal link, not Maryland.* <i>See Also: Best Practices for Administering District and Local Assessments</i> * Exception is for students encountering issues accessing TestNav from their portal. As an alternative for those students only, use Maryland link with a testing ticket.
Session Setup	STCs set up sessions.	STCs and Department Chairs have user rights to create sessions for students at their school.
Sections and seal codes		For RELA, all three benchmark administrations this year have two sections each with a seal code on section 2. For Math, Benchmark I, tests have one section. For Benchmarks II & III, grades 3 – HS have two section each with a seal code on Section 2.

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Pearson Access (for reporting and test administration)	<p>Click here to access link to Pearson Access reports for MCAP.</p> <p>Additionally, ISRs are printed and shipped.</p>	<p>Sign in to Pearson via the PGCPS staff portal. Select Pearson Access (Be sure to click the PGPCS button and do not enter email.)</p> <p>Rights will vary based on your user role and institution, and may not match what is available for the MCAP.</p>
Accommodations and accessibility features	<p>MCAP only:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American Sign Language (ASL) • Assistive Technology Screen Reader (PNP) • Assistive Technology Non-Screen Reader (PNP) • Human Reader Scripts for Math 	<p>Additionally, students may have different accommodations due to availability and state requirements, and when the accommodations file is updated.</p> <p>Closed captioning for ELA (PNP) and Spanish (PNP) (for math) are available for MCAP and Benchmarks, but not Common Assessments and FAST.</p> <p>For students who are testing on paper, no Human Reader Kit is delivered, although the teacher can read from the paper book for that accommodation.</p>
	<p>Available for all Text To Speech (Text + Graphics) (PNP), Highlighters, Audio Amplification, Line Reader, Magnification, Color Contrast (PNP), Answer Masking (PNP), Answer Eliminator, Human Reader (PNP)</p>	
Support	<p>MCAP Customer Support</p>	<p>855-956-5062 Monday – Friday, 7:00 am - 6:00 pm (ET)</p>