

<b>Maine Educational Assessments</b>			
<b>Content Assessed</b>	<b>General Assessment</b>	<b>*Alternate Assessment</b>	<b>Intended Population</b>
Mathematics & ELA/Literacy	Mathematics Assessment & ELA/Literacy Assessment (NWEA)	Alternate Mathematics and Alternate ELA/Literacy Assessments (MSAA)	All students in grades 3-8 & second-year High School students (NWEA)  All students in grades 3-8 & third-year High School Students (MSAA)
Science	Maine Science Assessment	Alternate Science Assessment (MSAA)	All students in grades 5, 8, and third-year HS
English Language Proficiency	ELP Assessment	Alternate ELP Assessment	English learners in grades K-12
*Alternate assessments are intended for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities who have been found eligible by the IEP Team using the state criteria/guidance for eligibility.			

**Assessment Security**

Assessment security is an important consideration of consistent administration and maintaining data quality. Assessment security – avoiding cheating or exposure of assessment items at multiple levels of administration – is essential to guaranteeing the integrity of assessment data.

Should there be concerns related to assessment security, Maine DOE may ask SAUs to provide additional documentation and outline the consequences of a security breach, an event that results in the inappropriate exposure of assessment items or that could potentially impact the accuracy of assessment results, should it occur. An important part of maintaining assessment security is ensuring all assessment materials (paper- and computer-based) are secure; Assessment Administrators receive professional development related to assessment security-related topics; guidelines regarding prohibited electronic devices as outlined in the Assessment Security Handbook are followed; immediately report and document any irregularities; and to maintain confidentiality of student information, assessment materials, and assessment results.

Further information regarding documentation that demonstrates assessment security was met is outlined in the [Maine Assessment Security Handbook](#).

The Department may request to review specific documentation pertaining to assessment security and personnel training to support the provision of technical assistance. Documentation of assessment technical assistance, assessment administration training, and assessment security measures must be maintained by the SAU for a period of one year following the assessment.