

MAINE SCIENCE

The Basics



What is it?

Maine Science is a state summative assessment which aims to assess the application of Maine's science and engineering standards (Next Generation Science Standards or NGSS) with the goal of increasing the depth of student learning with a focus on critical inquiry and application.

When is it Given?

MEA Science is administered to students in grades 5, 8, and the third year of high school over the course of a 2-week period in late spring. [Please check here for a continually updated administration calendar.](#)



How is it Designed?

Maine Science is an on-line assessment is designed in clusters around a common problem or process. It focuses on performance expectation levels which are three-dimensional performance expectations that incorporate science practices and crosscutting concepts with core ideas and content.



Where Can I Learn More?

For general inquiries, please contact Assessment Coordinator Krista Averill at krista.averill@maine.gov. For information on accommodations, and other general resources, [please visit this page.](#)



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