

Understanding the NWEA Map Growth Family Report

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Objectives:


Understand what the NWEA Map Growth test is



Why the exams are important



Understand the family report and what it says about your child's current progress



Support your child's growth in the assessment for the next testing administration

It is a test that is used
across the nation

It measures what your
child knows and what
they are ready to learn
in English Language
Arts and Math

It gives us a comparison
on how they are doing
compared to other
students across the
country.

It also shows us how
students are growing
every time they take an
assessment

Tests are taken 3 times
a year by Kindergarten
students through
Juniors

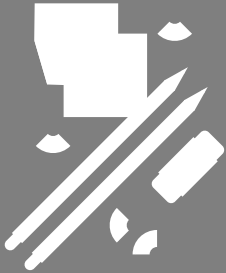
What is NWEA Map testing?

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- Looks at what your child should know based on their grade level in ELA and Math
- Shows you how they are doing in comparison to other students across the nation at the same grade level.
- Shows what the growth has been across every test administration from Kindergarten to High School
- Identifies specific objectives that your child is ready to learn
- Assists teachers in identifying specific areas in need of intervention
- The questions on the exam are not the same for every student. They adapt depending on the student's previous responses, essentially to meet the students where they are at.

Why are the exams important?



Instant Data



Information schools can gather from these assessments, allows for intervention plans to fill in any gaps that students might have.



Since the exam is taken three times a year, schools can determine how effective the intervention plans are, and see the growth that students are having through the school year.

Sample Family Report

What is this report?

A summary of how your child is performing academically, as measured by the most recent MAP® Growth™ test.

What is MAP Growth?

A test that adapts to your child's responses to measure your child's skill level.

Why is my child taking MAP Growth?

MAP Growth scores help teachers check student performance by measuring achievement and growth. Teachers use results to tailor classroom lessons and set goals for students.

What do achievement and growth mean?

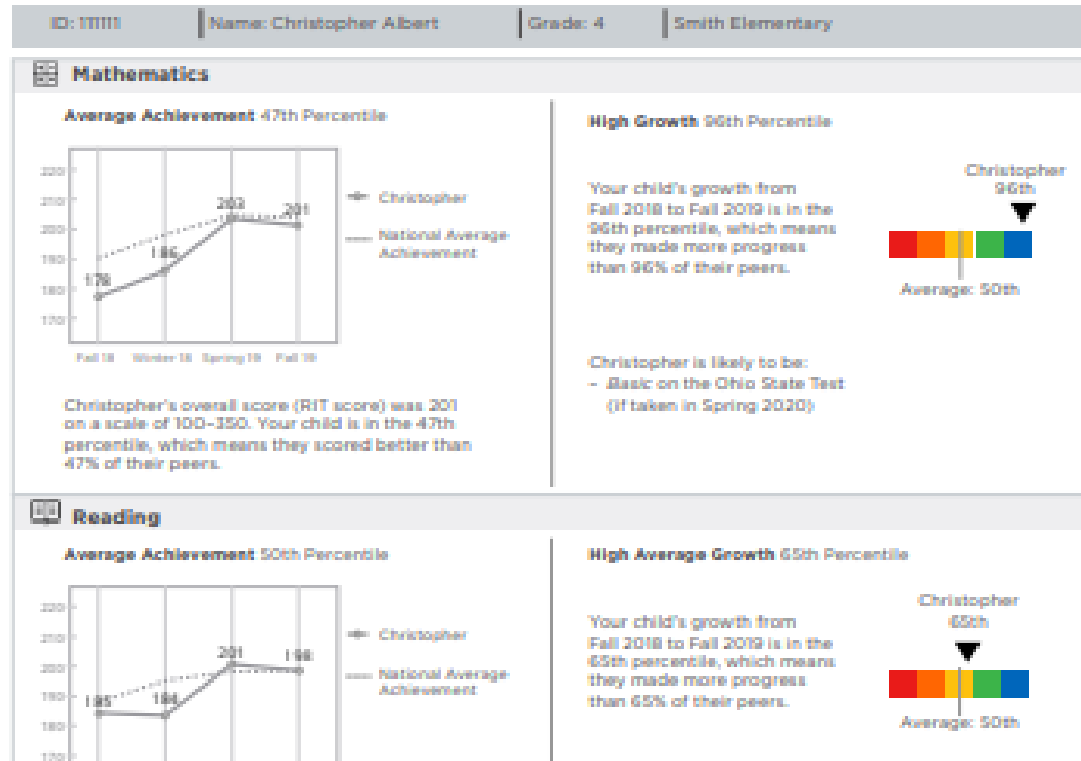
Achievement: How well your child has learned skills in a subject compared to similar students nationwide.*

Growth: A measure of your child's personal progress over the year.

What is a RIT score?

The overall score for a subject based on a Rasch unit (RIT) scale that indicates how your child performed in a subject.

*Similar students: Kids with the same starting RIT score, same number of weeks of instruction, and in the same grade.



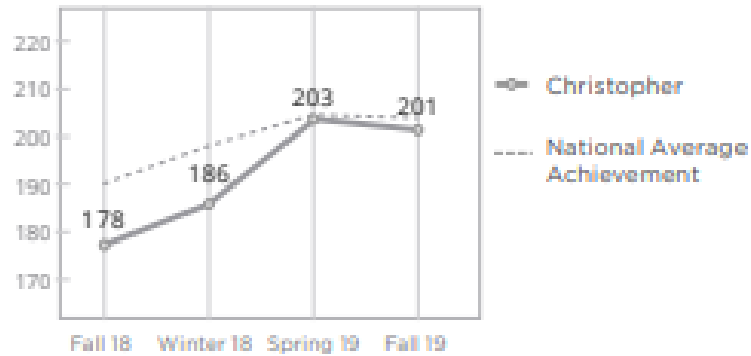
Understanding the family report

- You will be receiving the family reports mailed to your household.
- This report outlines
 - Your child's overall achievement in Math and English Language Arts throughout each test administration
 - How your child is doing in comparison to other children throughout the nation.
 - What your child's growth has been over the last few administrations of the exam.



Mathematics

Average Achievement 47th Percentile

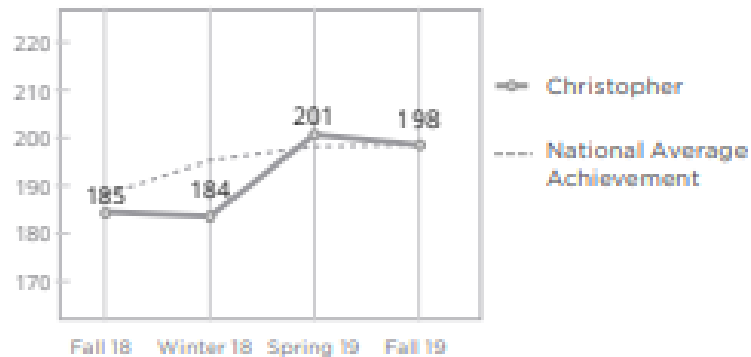


Christopher's overall score (RIT score) was 201 on a scale of 100-350. Your child is in the 47th percentile, which means they scored better than 47% of their peers.



Reading

Average Achievement 50th Percentile



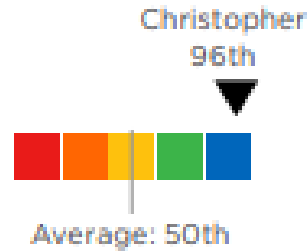
Christopher's overall score (RIT score) was 198 on a scale of 100-320. Your child is in the 50th percentile, which means they scored better than 50% of their peers.

Understanding the Family Report

- This shows what the students overall achievement level was. In this example the student had average achievement.
- The graph shows the scores for each time the student has taken the assessment and whether their scores have increased or decreased.
- The dotted line shows how students across the nation in the same grade level did.
- Special Note: It is normal for scores to dip from spring to fall testing because of summer loss. This is experienced across the nation and the exam is normed to account for this dip.

High Growth 96th Percentile

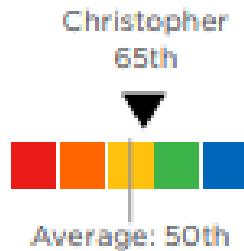
Your child's growth from Fall 2018 to Fall 2019 is in the 96th percentile, which means they made more progress than 96% of their peers.



Christopher is likely to be:
- *Basic* on the Ohio State Test
(if taken in Spring 2020)

High Average Growth 65th Percentile

Your child's growth from Fall 2018 to Fall 2019 is in the 65th percentile, which means they made more progress than 65% of their peers.



Christopher is likely to be:
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Understanding the Family Report

- The growth section of the report, outlines how much growth the student has made.
- The growth scale ranges from
 - Low Growth (*red*)
 - Low Average Growth (*orange*)
 - Average Growth (*yellow*)
 - High Average Growth (*green*)
 - High Growth (*blue*)
- Ideally, we would like to see average-high growth in each of our students
- In this example the student had high growth in math and high average growth in ELA

How can I use this information to help my child?

Talk to your child's teacher. Here are some questions you can ask:

- + What types of strategies are the teachers using that I may be able to reinforce at home?
- + Does my child need extra help in any specific areas?
- + How can I help my child's academic growth at home?
- + How do you measure my child's learning in your classroom?

Guiding Questions for Parents