

Cornerstone Montessori Elementary School - 2025-26 Rationale and Assessment Schedule

(Dates subject to change)

Test	Purpose	Subjects	Rationale	Source of the Requirement	Average Time Students Spend
MCA & MTAS	To measure achievement on the Minnesota Academic Standards and measure academic progress of students over time	Mathematics Reading Science – 5 th year	Minnesota Statutes, section 120B.30 and ESEA	Minnesota Statutes, section 120B.30 and ESEA	Mathematics 1.5-3 hours Reading 2.5-3.5 hours Science 1.5-2 hours
ACCESS & Alternate ACCESS	To annually assess English language proficiency of all English learners	Reading Listening Speaking Writing	Monitor English learner progress as they develop academic language skills	Federal and state requirements MDE/ESEA	Reading 15 minutes Listening 15 minutes Speaking 25 minutes Writing 25 minutes
FastBridge	To gather baseline data about math and reading skill level.	Reading Mathematics	Measures student growth and learning needs	LEA School's Authorizer, University of St Thomas	Reading 25-30 minutes Mathematics 25-30 minutes
FastBridge	To evaluate student functioning in terms of overall general behavior	SAEBRS (Social, Academic, Emotional Behavior Risk Screener)	School success is predicated not just upon academic achievement but also within multiple inter-related behavior domains	LEA School's Authorizer, University of St Thomas	SAEBRS 3-5 minutes
Capti	To gather baseline data about reading skill level.	Reading	Measures student growth and learning needs	MDE State requirement	Reading 25-30 minutes

Disseminating Results:

- Results of the MCA assessments will be mailed to parents before the first parent-teacher conferences in the following school year.
- Results of the ACCESS assessments will be mailed to parents before the first parent-teacher conferences in the following school year.
- Results of the FastBridge and Capti assessments will be shared with parents at parent-teacher fall/spring conferences and used by staff to guide Cornerstone's approach to individual interventions and class-level instruction.
- Cornerstone Montessori Elementary School's state testing results are also available on the Minnesota Report Card section of the MDE website: https://rc.education.mn.gov/#mySchool/orgId--74201010000_p--3

FASTBridge Reading Assessment Schedule

Grades Assessment

K-1: earlyReading Composite (one-on-one with teacher, 5 minutes per student)
2-3: CBMreading (one-on-one with teacher, 4 minutes per student)
 aReading (computer based, 30 minutes per student)
 earlyReading Nonsense Words (one-on one with teacher, 3 minutes per student)

Fall Assessment: September 8 – October 10, 2025

Winter Assessment: December 1-19, 2025

Spring Assessment: May 4-22, 2026

FASTBridge Math Assessment Schedule

Grades Assessment

K-1: FASTBridge earlyMath assessments in the fall, winter and spring
2-6: FASTBridge aMath assessments in the fall, winter and spring.
 Each assessment takes approximately 15-30 minutes per child.

Fall Assessment: September 8 – October 10, 2025

Winter Assessment: December 1-19, 2025

Spring Assessment: May 4-22, 2026

FASTBridge SAEBRS Schedule

Grades 2-6

Fall Assessment: September 8 – October 10, 2025

Winter Assessment: December 1-19, 2025

Spring Assessment: May 4-22, 2026

Capti Reading Assessment Schedule

Grades Assessment

4-6: ReadBasix (computer based, 35 minutes total per student)

Fall Assessment: September 8 – October 10, 2025

Winter Assessment: December 1-19, 2025

Spring Assessment: May 4-22, 2026

ACCESS Schedule

Assessment Window: January 28 – March 5

Grades K-6

January 28

9:15 – 10:15 AM

4th & 5th years

10:15-11:15 AM

3rd years

1:30 – 2:30 PM

6th years

Listening

January 29

9:15 – 10:15 AM

2nd years

10:15 – 11:15 AM

1st years

Listening

January 30

9:15 – 11:15 AM

Listening Makeup

February 3

9:15 – 10:15 AM

4th & 5th years

10:15-11:00 AM

6th years

Reading

February 4

9:15 – 10:15 AM

3rd years

Reading

February 5

9:15 – 10:15 AM

2nd years

10:15 – 11:15 AM

1st years

Reading

February 6

9:15 – 10:15 AM

Reading Makeup

February 10

9:00 – 10:00 AM

4th & 5th years

10:00-11:00 AM

1st years

Speaking

February 11

9:15 – 10:00 AM

6th years

10:00 – 10:45 AM

3rd years

10:45 – 11:30 AM

3rd years

Speaking

February 12

9:15 – 9:45 AM

2nd years

10:15 – 11:45 AM

1st years

Writing

February 18

9:15 – 10:15 AM

10:15 – 11:45 AM

Writing

February 19

9:15 – 10:15 AM

10:15 – 11:45 AM

Writing

February 20

9:15 – 10:15 AM

Writing

February 20-February 27

Makeup

February 2 – February 6

Kindergarten Assessments

MCA Schedule – Reading and Math

MCA Window: March 25 – May 1

Grades 3-6

March 24

10:00-11:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Reading
11:00-12:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Reading

March 25

10:00-11:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Reading
11:00-12:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Reading

March 26

10:00-11:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Reading
11:00-12:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Reading

March 27

10:00-11:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Reading
11:00-12:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Reading

March 31

10:00-11:00 – 3rd year – Reading
11:00-12:00 – 3rd year – Reading

April 1

10:00-11:00 – 3rd year – Reading
11:00-12:00 – 3rd year – Reading

April 14

10:00-11:00 – 3rd year – Reading
11:00-12:00 – 3rd year – Reading

April 15

10:00-11:00 – 3rd year – Math
11:00-12:00 – 3rd year – Math

April 16

10:00-11:00 – 3rd year – Math
11:00-12:00 – 3rd year – Math

April 17

10:00-11:00 – 3rd year – Math
11:00-12:00 – 3rd year – Math

April 21

10:00-11:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Math
11:00-12:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Math

April 22

10:00-11:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Math
11:00-12:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Math

April 23

10:00-11:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Math
11:00-12:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Math

April 24

10:00-11:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Math
11:00-12:00 – 4th, 5th, 6th year – Math

April 28

10:00-11:00 – MCA Makeup all grades
11:00-12:00 – MCA Makeup all grades

April 29

10:00-11:00 – MCA Makeup all grades
11:00-12:00 – MCA Makeup all grades

April 30

10:00-11:00 – MCA Makeup all grades
11:00-12:00 – MCA Makeup all grades

MCA Schedule – Science – 5th Year

MCA Science Window: May 1 – 7

Grade 5

May 110:00-11:00 – 5th year – Science11:00-12:00 – 5th year – Science**May 4**10:00-11:00 – 5th year – Science11:00-12:00 – 5th year – Science**May 5**10:00-11:00 – 5th year – Science11:00-12:00 – 5th year – Science**May 6**10:00-11:00 – 5th year – Science11:00-12:00 – 5th year – Science**May 7**10:00-11:00 – 5th year – Science Makeup11:00-12:00 – 5th year – Science Makeup