

Assessment Chart

This chart illustrates the differences among the PARCC, HSA Government, HS MISA, MISA, MSAA, and the Alt-MISA assessments.

	PARCC ELA/Literacy & Mathematics Grades 3-8 & HS	HSA Government High School	HSA MISA HS Science	MISA Science Grades 5 & 8	Alt-MISA Science Grades 5, 8, 11	MSAA ELA/Mathematics Grades 3-8 & 11
Content Standards	 Grade level content standards aligned with MCCRS. ELA and Mathematics grades 3-8; Algebra and English 10. 	 Course level content standards. 	 Course level content standards aligned to the High School NGSS. 	 Course level content standards in Science aligned with the NGSS; grades 5 and 8. 	 Modified course level content standards in Science aligned with the NGSS; grades 5, 8, and 11. 	 Modified grade level content standards (CCCs) aligned with MCCRS. Does not fully represent grade-level content.
Achievement Standards	 Scores define a level of proficient performance equivalent to grade-level achievement on the State's general assessment. Includes five (5) levels of performance (1-5) and descriptors of the content-based competencies associated with each level. Assessments are based on grade level content standards. 	 Scores define a level of proficient performance equivalent to grade-level achievement on the State's general assessment. Includes three (3) levels of performance (basic, proficient, advanced) and descriptors of the content-based competencies associated with each level. Assessments are based on grade level content standards. 	 Assessments are based on Science content standards. Performance levels TBD by 2019. 	 Assessments are based on Science content standards. Performance levels TBD by 2019. 	 Scores define a level of proficient performance equivalent to grade- level achievement standards on the State's alternate assessment. Includes four (4) performance levels: emerging, approaching the target, at target, and advanced and descriptors of the content-based competencies associated with each level. 	 Scores define a level of proficient performance equivalent to grade- level achievement standards on the State's alternate assessment. Includes four (4) performance levels (1- 4) and descriptors of content-based competencies associated with each level.
Format	 Selected response, constructed response, and technology enabled item types. 	 Selected response and brief constructed response item types. 	 Constructed response, multiple choice, fill-in- the-blank, matching, and other technology- enabled item types. 	 Constructed response, multiple choice, fill-in- the-blank, matching, and other technology- enabled item types. 	 Selected response and brief constructed response item types. 	 Selected response and brief constructed response item types.

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Special Considerations	 Refer to PARCC Accessibility Features and Accommodations Manual for allowable accommodations. Accommodations are prescribed on the IEP and must be used in daily instruction. 	 Refer to the Maryland Accessibility Features & Accommodations Policy Manual for allowable accommodations. Accommodations are prescribed on the IEP and must be used in daily instruction. 	 Accommodations are prescribed on the IEP and must be used in daily instruction. 	 Accommodations are prescribed on the IEP and must be used in daily instruction. 	 Accommodations are prescribed on the IEP and must be used in daily instruction. 	 Refer to the MSAA Test Administrator's Manual for allowable accommodations. Accommodations are prescribed on the IEP and must be used in daily instruction.
Eligible Student Population	 Student accessing the general education curriculum and receiving special education services. 	 Student accessing the general education curriculum and receiving special education services. 	 Student accessing the general education curriculum and receiving special education services. 	 Student accessing the general education curriculum and receiving special education services. 	 Student receiving special education services and meets <u>ALL</u> alternate assessment eligibility criteria. 	 Student receiving special education services and meets <u>ALL</u> alternate assessment eligibility criteria.
Eligibility Requirements	 Student with a disability who can take the general assessment with or without accessibility features and accommodations. IEP Team, which includes the parents/guardians, determine the appropriate assessment in which the student will participate. 	 Student with a disability who can take the general assessment with or without accessibility features and accommodations. IEP Team, which includes the parents/guardians, determine the appropriate assessment in which the student will participate. 	 Student with a disability who can take the general assessment with or without accessibility features and accommodations. IEP Team, which includes the parents/guardians, determine the appropriate assessment in which the student will participate. 	 Student with a disability who can take the general assessment with or without accessibility features and accommodations. IEP Team, which includes the parents/guardians, determine the appropriate assessment in which the student will participate. 	 Student has an IEP. Student has a significant cognitive disability. Student requires instruction using significantly modified curriculum aligned to the MCCRS. Student requires extensive, direct, repeated, and individualized instruction. IEP Team, which includes the parents/guardians, determine the appropriate assessment in which the student will participate. 	 Student has an IEP. Student has a significant cognitive disability. Student requires instruction using significantly modified curriculum aligned to the MCCRS. Student requires extensive, direct, repeated, and individualized instruction. IEP Team, which includes the parents/guardians, determine the appropriate assessment in which the student will participate.

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Graduation Requirement	 Student must pass all required courses and earn passing score on PARCC assessments (or equivalent) to earn a Maryland High School Diploma. 	 Student must pass all required courses and earn passing score on HSA Government assessment (or equivalent) to earn a Maryland High School Diploma. 	 Student must pass all required courses and earn passing score on HSA MISA assessment (or equivalent) to earn a Maryland High School Diploma. 	N/A	 Student participating in the Alt-MISA is pursuing a Maryland Certificate of Program Completion. 	 Student participating in the MSAA is pursuing a Maryland Certificate of Program Completion.

Alt-MISA: Alternate Maryland Integrated Science Assessment

CCC: Core Content Connector

- **HSA Government:** High School Assessment: Government
- HSA MISA: High School Assessment: Maryland Integrated Science Assessment
- **MCCRS:** Maryland College and Career Ready Standards
- MISA: Maryland Integrated Science Assessment
- MSAA: Multi-State Alternate Assessment
- **NGSS:** Next Generation Science Standards
- PARCC: Partnership for Assessment of Readiness in College and Career