



M.A.P. Assessment Scores to Determine Eligibility For Entering the High Achievers Magnet Program Lottery

The following assessment information is directed to parents/guardians of students in grades 3-9, applying to enter the High Achievers Magnet program random lottery for seat placement offers at DeKalb County School District's High Achievers Magnet schools/programs.

The DeKalb County School District (DCSD) will use the Northwest Evaluation Association's (NWEA) Measures of Academic Progress (M.A.P.) as the assessment to determine eligibility of student applicant, grades 3-9, for entering the random School Choice High Achievers Magnet program lottery beginning in the 2016-2017 school year. This assessment replaces the Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS). Note: Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS) will not be administered starting 2016-17.

Measures of Academic progress (M.A.P.) is a test administered online. DeKalb resident students who score greater than 75% RT (Reading Total) and greater than 75% MT (Math Total) on the M.A.P. assessment and has greater than a 3.0 GPA in all four core subjects will be eligible to enter the lottery.

All enrolled DCSD K-12 students are administered the M.A.P. during the September-October test window. Private and Homeschooled students: DCSD School Choice department also administers the M.A.P. to students in grades 3-9 enrolled in private schools and home schooled in October during a separate session. Note: DCSD is unable to provide a test score report, since the student is not enrolled in a DCSD school. Test scores will however be shared with the student immediately after test administration and stored on a spreadsheet to be manually verified when a School Choice application is submitted. Information of this free special test session for private and homeschooled students is available on the School Choice website at <http://www.dekalbschoolsga.org/school-choice/>

The M.A.P. assessment is administered three times per year. DCSD magnet program accepts scores from the baseline test session. Note: Baseline test is when a student takes the M.A.P. assessment the first time each school year. Although, the M.A.P. percentile score is valid for two years, only the baseline test score is used for determining eligibility to enter the Magnet program lottery, if applying for a High Achievers Magnet program seat placement offer.

If you have any questions about the M.A.P. assessment, contact Research, Assessments and Grants Department at <http://www.dekalbschoolsga.org/assessment-and-accountability/> or call 678-676-0300. Magnet program lottery eligibility questions, please contact the School Choice Department at 678-676-0035 or email school_choice@dekalbschoolsga.org.