

Quincy Public Schools Spring 2021 MCAS Update

Joint Teaching and Learning and Special
Education Subcommittee Meeting
April 28, 2021





PRESS RELEASE

April 1

- 3-8 MCAS Schedule - Extended Testing Window
- Announces **Remote** MCAS Administration 3-8
- Modified **Competency Determination** in ELA and Math for Gr 11 (Class of 2022)
- ACCESS testing window extended to May 20th

April 13

- Student tutorials and practice tests available online
- Updated ppt slides for training test administrators
- June STE MCAS tests will be all legacy, paper-based
- Eligibility for Adams Scholarship and Koplik Certificate of Mastery with Distinction Award

April 15

Updated
Statewide testing
Schedule

April 29

DESE Training
Session for District
and School
Leaders Grades
3-8

***Protocols for
Remote MCAS
Testing for Grades
3-8***

10:00-11:30 AM

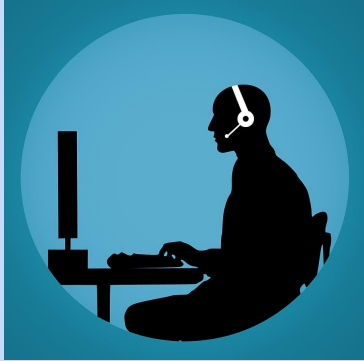
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Grade 12 (Class of 2021)

- Students in Grade 12 have had their **MCAS graduation requirement waived in all 3 tested subjects**, ELA, Math and Science.
- Students must meet the competency determination, as voted on by the BoE, which is a passing grade in a corresponding course.
- Many students have already completed these course requirements in grades 10 (science) and 11 (ELA/math).

Grade 11 (Class of 2022)

- Upcoming administration of MCAS will **no longer be required** for current 11th graders.
- Current juniors and seniors may still take the test this spring to qualify for the **Adams Scholarship** and **Koplik Certificate of Mastery**. Juniors who do not participate this spring will be able to test for scholarships during the MCAS retest period in fall 2021.



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Grade 10 (Class of 2023)

- Scheduled to take the Next Generation, computer-based MCAS in
 - ELA
 - Mathematics
 - Students will take 2/2 sessions
 - **May 3 - June 11 testing window opens**

Grade 9 (Class of 2024)

- All Grade 9 students in Biology are scheduled to take the Legacy, paper-based Biology MCAS
 - **June 1 - 11 testing window opens**

Elementary and Middle School MCAS Testing



- Only **ONE** of two sessions will be given in each content area
- Students will randomly be assigned a section
- ***NEW*** remote testing will be available for remote students
- Computer-based test w paper based as an accommodation for identified students

State testing windows open

Grades 3-5: **May 10** - June 11

Grades 6-8: **May 17**-June 11

Spring 2021 MCAS Administration

	3	4	5	6	7	8
Reading/ English language arts	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Math	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Science, Technology and Engineering			✓			✓

Next Steps

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April 29-30

Principals Team meetings to discuss scheduling, administration protocols and technology

IT Team to draft the technicians schedule for Principals to review

May 3-12

Principals will create building based testing schedules and train proctors

Principals will share MCAS communications with students and families in Weekly newsletters.

HS Principals will avoid any overlapping of MCAS and AP Exams

May 20

MCAS Alternative Assessments Grades 3-8 and HS are due

Thank you!

Questions?

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