Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

Bethel Public Schools use a combination of standard and nonstandard measures to monitor our students’ learning. Teachers create curriculum-based measures to assess students’ mastery of the standards. Our teachers also use standardized measures, such as Measures of Academic Progress (MAP), to assess student learning and growth.

Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC)

The Connecticut Smarter Balanced assessments are aligned to Common Core State Standards and are used to assess students’ mastery of skills in English language arts/literacy and mathematics. The Bethel Public Schools administer these assessments in the spring each year and are required to do so in Grades 3-8.

EdSight

Edsight is the CT education data portal that integrates information from over 30 different sources—some reported by districts and others from external sources. Information is available on key performance measures that make up the Next Generation Accountability System, as well as dozens of other topics, including school finance, special education, staffing levels and school enrollment.

NWEA Measuring What Matters

During each school year, students in grades Kindergarten through 11 will take the NWEA Measure of Academic Progress (MAP) assessment. The first administration takes place at various times across the district, during the first few months of the school year.

What are NWEA Map Assessments?

MAP assessments are unique in that they are adaptive tests students take on a computer that adjust for learning levels. The test becomes more difficult as students answer questions correctly and when students incorrectly answer a question, the test becomes easier.

How will the information be used?

MAP assessments are a powerful tool for monitoring student growth over time and provides information for teachers that help us to best meet the needs of all students. We have access to data that helps us determine a student’s instructional level in Reading and Math and measure academic growth throughout the school year, as well as from year to year.

NWEA Parent Toolkit
NWEA Family Toolkit—Resources for Parents

Assessments

http://edsight.ct.gov/SASPortal/main.do