STAR 360 Assessment



Forward Thinking, High Achievings

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What are the STAR assessments?

STAR 360 features three computer-adaptive assessments-STAR Early Literacy, STAR Reading, and STAR Math-designed to measure students' overall achievement in early literacy, reading, and math. Also included is STAR Custom, which allows teachers to create customized tests to assess student mastery of specific skills.

Computer-adaptive tests continually adjust the difficulty of your child's test by choosing each test question based on responses to previous questions. This saves testing time and spares your child the frustration of items that are too difficult and the boredom of items that are too easy.

What are the STAR assessments used for?

The STAR 360 assessments are often used to screen students for their reading and math achievement levels. STAR Early Literacy assessments help educators monitor students' growing literacy skills and students' progress toward becoming independent readers. The STAR 360 assessments can also be used to monitor student growth throughout the year, to estimate students' understanding of state standards, and predict students' performance on the state test. In addition, STAR 360 can help teachers determine appropriate instructional levels and skills that are ready to learn.

What is the goal for my student?

Benchmarks are the minimum performance levels students are expected to reach by certain points of the year in order to meet end-of-year performance goals. The end-of-year benchmark typically represents the minimum level of performance required by state or local standards. Benchmarks are always grade specific, e.g., the 7th grade benchmark.

Grade Level Benchmarks

Read Fall	_	6th grade Winter 660	Spring 698
Math Fall	for 6th	n grade Winter 718	Spring 738
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Read	ling for	7th grade	
Fall	713	Winter 762	Spring 806
Math	for 7th	n grade	
Fall	736	Winter 749	Spring 764

Fall	847	Winter 882	Spring 908
Math	for 8th	n grade	
Fall	767	Winter 780	Spring 791
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Read	ling for	9th grade	
Read	_	9th grade Winter 952	Spring 975
Fall	925		Spring 975

Reading for 8th grade