

***Winter Testing Information for Parents of Students at
Wausau East High School
January 2021***



What assessments will be given?

- FastBridge Learning Assessments in reading and math for students in grades 6-9, as well as English Language Learners, Special Education, and Intervention students in grades 10-12.

Why are these assessments given?

- Teachers want to know how your child is doing in reading and math so we can provide the most appropriate lessons. The test scores will not be part of the report card.

When will the assessments be given?

- Assessments will be given virtually on Friday, January 22nd.
 - English 10:30 - 12:00
 - Math 1:00 - 2:30

How will I know what days my child will take the tests?

Your child's teacher will share exact dates and times.

How much time will the tests take?

The tests range from 30 minutes to up to an hour.

What materials are needed?

- School District Technology Device
- Scratch paper for math
- Pencil

How will my child(ren) take the assessments?

The children will take FastBridge tests online.

How will my child know what to do?

Your child will watch a short video as well as listen to directions from the teacher. Instructions will be tailored to your child's learning format, virtual or in person.

*****How can I support my virtual learner?**

- Find a quiet space for your child to work.
 - Turn off the music and the TV to help limit distractions.
- Make sure your child has had something to eat and drink.
- Encourage and praise your children as they complete assessments.
- Please do not help your child by answering the assessment questions.

*****What can I say when my virtual learner is testing?**

Before the test:

- “This test will help your teacher find out what you know and what things you need to practice.”
- “Try your best, and do not rush.”
- “You will see some questions you don’t know. That is okay! Just try your best.”

During the test:

- “Keep up the good work!”
- “Remember, take your time and try your best.”
- “It’s okay if you do not know the answer. Make your best guess and move to the next question.”
- “Just like when you take the test at school, I can’t help you find the answer.”

After the test:

- “I’m really proud of you.”
- “You did a great job of taking your time.”
- “Great work!”