

AK STAR and MAP Growth Student Supports Comparison

Embedded Universal Tools			
Testing Tool	Description	AK STAR ALASKA SYSTEM OF ACADEMIC READINESS	map GROWTH
Eliminator	Student may cross out / eliminate answer choices.	✓	✓
Calculators	Student has access to basic, scientific, or graphing calculator, depending on grade level and test.	✓	✓
Color	Shows a variety of color contrasting options for students to choose during the test.	✓	(Use device's native color tool)
Formulas Table	Shows mathematic formulas relevant to the assessment.	✓	
Glossary	Certain words or phrases in the item are underlined with dots and information about that word or phrase will pop-up when selected. These words and phrases are part of the assessment content and do not provide extra context towards the answer.	✓	
Graph Paper	Students can use graph paper to draw lines and points during the test.	✓	
Guideline	A straight edge line used to follow along with each line of text or to help student track items.	✓	✓
Help Videos	Help videos are available within the secure test engine and show students how to respond to item types and use tools.	✓	
Highlighter	Student may use a highlighter to mark words or numbers.	✓	✓
Magnification	Students can magnify entire screen, includes content of assessment as well as all tools.	✓ (300%)	✓ (500%)
Notepad	Student can use Notepad to take notes on each test question.	✓	✓

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Testing Tool	Description		
Pencil / Drawing Tool	Students can use Pencil to make marks on the screen.	✓	
Protractor	Protractor is used to measure angles within an item image.	✓	✓
Ruler	Student can use Customary Ruler and Metric Ruler to measure images on the screen.	✓	✓
Sticky Notes	Creates and places a note (or multiple notes) on the screen in which a student can type a short message. Up to 15 notes can be placed on the screen.	✓	
Embedded Accommodations			
American Sign Language Videos	Students may play a signed video of the text in questions and answer choices. Reading passages will not be signed to the student.	✓	
Screen Reader / Refreshable Braille Devices	Allows use of screen readers software such as JAWS and refreshable braille displays for visually impaired students.		✓
Text-to-Speech	Allows students to start, stop, or replay computer audio of the text associated with the content on the screen. Text-to-Speech does NOT read the passages associated with ELA reading items. Volume can be adjusted and for AK STAR, read speed can also be adjusted.	✓	✓
Paper-Based Accommodations			
Braille	Braille paper versions of the assessment are available for delivery to districts. Available in Unified English Braille (UEB) and Nemeth for the math assessment items.	✓	
Print on Demand (POD)	If a student requires a paper-based assessment as an accommodation, districts may use the Print on Demand (POD) accommodation to print a paper copy of the assessment.	✓	