

Department of Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment

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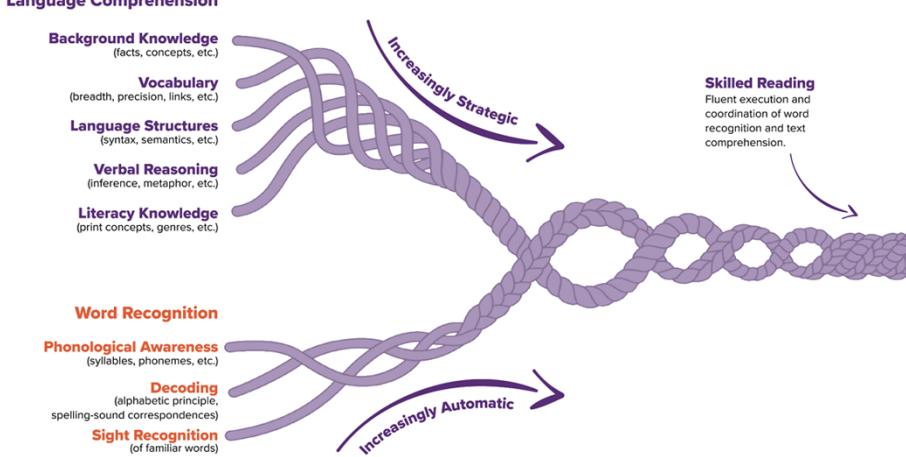
CURRICULUM

Instructional leaders at Bullshoe, Browning, and Napi Elementary Schools have continued to review the updated MT Mathematics Content Standards set to be implemented beginning the 2026 school year as part of our district's 5-Year curriculum review for mathematics. During our meetings we reviewed the new Montana Math Standards. Montana and Browning School District #9 will be adopting NEW MATH STANDARDS for grades PK-12 beginning July 2026. These standards are available at the MT OPI webpage: [MT OPI 2026 Mathematics Standards Planning Document](#)

BPS will begin reviewing new math curricula during the months of January-April for grades PK-5. With district approval and adoption beginning the 2026-2027 school year. The district will utilize funding from the School Support Grant received from MT OPI in November to support this curriculum adoption by providing teacher planning time in June, new program training in August, and implementation support during the fall of 2026.

INSTRUCTION

Our schools (Bullshoe, BES, Napi, BMS, BHS, and BHA are participating in the MT Reads Literacy Grant. School & district leaders have been attending monthly webinars sponsored by the MT OPI to support next steps for schools to implement instruction



aligned to the Science of Reading. Webinars have supported implementing evidence-based practices to provide high-quality instruction in speaking, listening, reading, and writing. BPS is offering LETRS training for our 3rd Cohort of teachers, LETRS Early Childhood for PreK teachers, and LETRS for Administrators for building principals this year. The literacy grant will be supporting the refining of our current MTSS systems to maximize student growth in reading and writing.

ASSESSMENT

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BPS Statewide Assessments for 2025-2026

	Anticipated SY2025-26 Test Windows	Required Subjects	Student Group	Grades Tested	Window Period
Montana Aligned to Standards Through-Year (MAST)	<u>Window 1</u> October 13-December 5	Math and ELA	General	Grades 3-8	3 windows: 8 weeks each
	<u>Window 2</u> January 12-March 6				
	<u>Window 3</u> March 30-May 22				
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Alternate ELA and Math	<u>Fall Window</u> September 8- December 19	Math and ELA	SwSCDs	Grades 3-8, 11	2 windows: 15 weeks each
	<u>Spring Window</u> February 2- May 15				
WIDA ACCESS Alt ACCESS	January 5-March 6	English Language Proficiency	English Learners	Grades K-12	9 weeks
Montana Science Assessment (MSA)	March 2-May 22	Science	General	Grades 5, 8	8 weeks
Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Alternate Science	February 2- May 15	Science	SwSCDs	Grades 5, 8, 11	15 weeks
ACT with Writing	<u>Window 1</u> March 24-April 3	Math, ELA, and Science	General	Grade 11	3 windows: 2 weeks each
	<u>Window 2</u> April 7-17				
	<u>Window 3</u> April 21-May 1				
Updated by the Office of Public Instruction on August 28, 2025.			Note: Dates and information listed in this schedule are subject to change at any time or without notice.		