

Renaissance Star Guidelines – 2020-2021

Grades: Kindergarten through Grade 8

Diocesan Assessment Dates 2020-2021

- September 28-October 9
- February 15-26
- May 17-28

Star Reading

For the diocesan assessment windows

- Grades 2-8 students should take Star Reading.
- Kindergarten and Grade 1 students may take Star Reading or Star Early Literacy, depending upon the determination of the school. Whatever assessment is selected should be used consistently throughout the school year.

Star Math

For the diocesan assessment windows

- Grade 2-8 students should take Star Math.
- Kindergarten and Grade 1 may take Star Math or Star Early Literacy (which includes Math), depending upon the determination of the school. Whatever assessment is selected should be used consistently throughout the school year.

Student Accommodations

- Any accommodations made for a student should be supported by appropriate documentation and classroom practice.
- Student accommodations regarding time and audio support may be provided based upon the student's needs supported by documentation.
 - **Time** – Extended time, if needed, is set by the local school for students who require it.
 - **Audio Support** – Audio support is available for Star Math and Star Early Literacy.
 - Any student in Grades 2-8 whose Student Service Plan and classroom practice require audio support may have access to this service.
 - If audio support is provided in the September testing in Grade 1 or Kindergarten, it is recommended that the audio support be provided in subsequent assessments so that this variable is not changed from one testing window to the next in determining student growth.

Scores – The default percentile rank (PR) is set at the 50th percentile by Renaissance.

Parent Report

- The Parent Report, not the Diagnostic Report, is to be sent home to families.
- The grade equivalent (GE) score is not to be included on the Parent Report. This feature may be turned off in the report options screen before clicking “View Report.”
- Parent Reports should be distributed the week following the close of assessment.
 - Week of October 12
 - Week of March 1
 - Week of May 31
- Parent Reports should be distributed on the same day in all grades, as determined by the school.

Star Annual Progress Report – The Star Annual Progress Report should be kept in each student’s file at the end of the school year.