The Alaska Department of Education and Early Development expects that most students with disabilities will be included on the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). **Only students who meet (or met) participation criteria for the Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) Alaska Alternate Assessment may be excluded from any NAEP assessment.** All other students with disabilities should participate in NAEP with or without NAEP accommodations. If you have questions about the NAEP accommodations, please contact Raina Moulian, NAEP State Coordinator at raina.moulian@alaska.gov or (907)465-8729.

Several accommodations provided on the Alaska assessments are not necessary for the NAEP assessments because they are available for all students through universal design elements. The chart below is divided into two sections: (1) universal design elements that will be available to **all students**, and (2) accommodations. NAEP accommodations are only allowed for a student on an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Section 504 Plan. The person most knowledgeable about the student’s disability should determine how the student should be included on NAEP.

Please keep in mind that NAEP does not produce results for individual students or schools, unlike the Alaska state assessments. In other words, the NAEP assessments do not impose consequences for the student or the school and are instead intended purely to provide a picture of educational performance and progress.

Please note all assessments are not the same and are developed to measure specific constructs. Therefore, NAEP may not allow or provide all accessibility features and accommodations of the Alaska state assessments. The following are the expectations for inclusion on NAEP:

1. For mathematics: calculator, manipulatives, and multiplication charts are **not** **allowed** on the NAEP assessment. The NAEP Long-Term Trend (LTT) mathematics assessment measures the ability to carry out mathematic computations using paper and pencil.
2. For reading: read aloud occasional or most or all is **not allowed** on the NAEP assessment. The NAEP LTT reading assessment measures reading comprehension by asking students to read passages written in English and to answer questions about what they have read. Because this is an assessment of reading comprehension and not listening comprehension, NAEP does not allow passages or items to be read aloud to students as testing accommodations.
3. Students who receive multiple-day testing on the state assessments should take the NAEP assessments in 1 day with breaks as needed. NAEP is much shorter than the state assessments, so multiple-day testing is not supported. Students complete three 15-minute sections in mathematics or reading.
4. Graphic organizers are **not** **allowed** on the NAEP assessment.

**NAEP Universal Design Elements for Students with Disabilities (SD)**

**Ages 9, 13 & 17 Math and Reading**

**Paper-and-Pencil Assessments**

| Universal Design Element | Subject | Description |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Marks/Writes Directly in Test Book | MathReading | All students write directly in the test book. NAEP does not have Scantron or bubble sheets. |
| Directions Explained/Clarified | MathReading | Student can raise his or her hand at any time and ask the test administrator to clarify or explain directions. |
| Scratch Paper | MathReading | Administrators inform students that they can use the white space in the test booklet as scratch paper. |

**NAEP Accommodations for Students with Disabilities (SD)**

**Ages 9, 13, & 17 Math and Reading**

**Paper-and-Pencil Assessments**

| Accommodation | Subject | Description |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Extended Time | MathReading | Student is given up to three times (3X) the allotted time to complete the assessment.* If state test is untimed, student may or may not require extended time on NAEP.
* Most students are able to complete the NAEP cognitive sections in the time allowed.
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| Small Group | MathReading | Group includes no more than five students. A student can be assigned to a small group session because:* Student requires this accommodation.
* One or more of the student’s accommodations must be administered in a separate location to minimize distractions to other students in the regular session.
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| One-on-One | MathReading | Student is assessed individually in an area free of distractions. |
| Read Aloud in English–Directions Only | MathReading | General directions (the same for all students) and/or subject-specific directions are read aloud, repeated, or reworded in any way in English so that the student understands what to do.* Some students’ IEPs or 504 Plans stipulate this as an accommodation. This will be coded as an accommodation for these students.
* Students who do not have this as an IEP or 504 requirement but who need the general directions (the same for all students) and/or the subject-specific directions read aloud, repeated, or reworded in any way in English can request this by raising his or her hand during the session, and it will not be recorded as an accommodation.
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| Read Aloud in English–Occasional | Math | Student may request to have words, phrases, or sentences read aloud in English. |
| Read Aloud in English–Most or All | Math | Student may request to have most or all of the assessment read aloud in English. |
| Breaks During Test | MathReading | Student is allowed to take breaks as requested or at predetermined intervals during the assessment. This could also mean that the student can take the assessment in more than one sitting during a single day. |
| Use Computer/Tablet to Respond | MathReading | Student records answers using a computer or tablet **provided by the school.** |
| Familiar Person Present or Administer the Test | MathReading | **School staff member** familiar to the student must be present during the assessment or administer the test. |
| Scribe | MathReading | **Scribe provided by the school.**Student responds orally or by pointing to his or her answers to a scribe who records the student’s responses in the booklet. |
| Large Print Version of the Test | MathReading | NAEP provides large-print booklets to visually impaired students.* Assessment booklets enlarged by 129 percent
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| Magnification Equipment | MathReading | Lens or system **provided by the school** that enhance visual function. Magnification devices include:* Eyeglass-mounted magnifiers, freestanding or handheld magnifiers, enlarged computer monitors, or computers with screen-enlargement programs
* Closed-circuit television to enlarge print and display printed material with various image enhancements on a screen
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| Uses Template | MathReading | **Provided by the school.*** Cutout, masking, color overlays, line reader, or place marker
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| Special Equipment | MathReading | **Provided by the school.*** FM system, amplification equipment, auditory amplification device
* Noise buffers, study carrel, blinder, special lighting, adaptive furniture
* Stress ball or sensory fidget item
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| Preferential Seating | MathReading | **Provided by the school.*** Location with minimal distractions, reduce distractions, quiet location or setting
* Front of the class, close to the test administrator
 |
| Cueing to Stay on Task | MathReading | **Provided by a school staff member.*** Monitor for understanding, monitor placement of responses
* Redirect to stay on task, reminders to stay on task, prompts to stay on task
* Provide verbal encouragement, reinforcement, refocus
* Track test items
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| Braille Version of the Test | MathReading | A paper-based embossed Braille form. NAEP uses contracted Unified English Braille (UEB) for all subjects. For the mathematics assessment, NAEP uses UEB plus Nemeth.* Student can use a scribe to record his or her answers (select *Scribe* accommodation).
* Student can use a Braille output device **provided by the school**.
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| Directions Only Presented in Sign Language | MathReading | A qualified sign language interpreter **provided by the school** signs the instructions included in the session script. |
| Presentation in Sign Language | Math | A qualified sign language interpreter **provided by the school** signs the instructions included in the session script and some or all of the test questions or answer choices for the student. |
| Response in Sign Language | MathReading | Student signs his or her responses to a scribe **provided by the school** who records the student’s responses in the booklet (select *Scribe* accommodation). |
| Other (specify)  | MathReading | Any accommodation not listed above. Please check with your NAEP State Coordinator to see if other accommodations are allowed on NAEP. |