Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) assessments are designed for students with the most significant cognitive disabilities for whom, even with accommodations, general state assessments are not appropriate. DLM assessments offer these students a way to show what they know and can do in mathematics, English language arts, and science.

**Who takes the DLM in 2021-2022?**

The DLM is administered to students in the state with the most significant cognitive disabilities whose Individualized Education Program (IEP) Teams designate the state’s alternate assessment as the most appropriate academic assessment.

- Students in grades 3-8, and 11 take DLM in English Language Arts and Math.
- Students in grades 5, 8, and 11 take DLM Science.

For more information on determining if the DLM is the appropriate assessment for a student, please refer to the **DLM Participation Guidelines** or visit the DLM **Professional Development** site.

**What does the test measure?**

DLM measures proficiency on the **Essential Elements (EEs) for English Language Arts, Math, and Science**. EEs are alternate standards linked with the Common Core State Standards and Next Generation Science Standards, although at less-complex skill levels.

**When is the test given?**

The administration window for the DLM will be March 21 – April 29, 2022. While not required, teachers are able, and encouraged, to utilize the DLM Instructional Embedded Model from September 13, 2021- February 23, 2022 to help prepare the students for the end of year window. Access the **Online Interactive Calendar** for all assessment administration and training dates.

**How is the test administered?**

- DLM is administered by an educator, who has completed the required DLM test administrator training, who is familiar with the student in a 1:1 setting.
- DLM is not a timed test. Test sessions are adapted to the student’s ability, attention span, etc.
- Accessibility features and accommodations are provided online or by the teacher to fit student needs.

**What are the performance levels?**

- **Emerging**
- **Approaching the Target**
- **At Target**
- **Advanced**

**Where can I access reports?**

- Educators can access student reports from the Educator portal [https://educator.kiteai.org/AART/logIn.htm](https://educator.kiteai.org/AART/logIn.htm)
- Parents can access student reports from the Parent portal.

For more information about the DLM please visit the state DLM site at [https://dynamiclearningmaps.org/newmexico](https://dynamiclearningmaps.org/newmexico)