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# MCAS and ACCESS for ELLs Accessibility Features

# and Accommodations at a Glance

**(Excerpted from the Accessibility and Accommodations Manual**

**for the 2023–24 MCAS)**

# Appendix E: MCAS and ACCESS for ELLs Accessibility Features and Accommodations at a Glance

The tables below present a crosswalk of all accessibility features and accommodations, for ease of assigning them and adding them to the SR/PNP (for MCAS), and for assigning them correctly for English learners participating in ACCESS tests.

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| **Accessibility Features for MCAS and ACCESS for ELLs** | | | |
| **Feature Number** | **Accessibility Feature** | **SR/PNP Column** | **Available for ACCESS for ELLS** |
| UF1 | Highlighter tool | N/A | Yes |
| UF2 | Color contrast | N/A | Yes |
| UF3 | Zoom in/out tool | N/A | Yes |
| UF4 | Enlarged cursor/Mouse pointer tool | Column R | No |
| UF5 | Line reader tool | N/A | Yes |
| UF6 | Answer masking | N/A | No |
| UF7 | Answer eliminator | N/A | No |
| UF8 | Item flag/bookmark | N/A | No |
| UF9 | Audio aid | N/A | Yes |
| UF10 | Notepad | N/A | Yes |
| UF11 | Test administrator reads aloud (or signs) selected words | N/A | Yes, only for Listening, Speaking, and Writing |
| UF12 | Test administrator redirects student’s attention to the test | N/A | Yes |
| UF13 | Test administrator reads aloud, repeats, or clarifies *general test administration directions* | N/A | Yes |
| DF1 | Small group test administration (May include up to a total of 10 students.) | N/A | Yes |
| DF2 | Individual (one-to-one) test administration | N/A | Yes |
| DF3 | Frequent brief supervised breaks | N/A | Yes |
| DF4 | Separate or alternate test location | N/A | Yes |
| DF5 | Seating in a specified area | N/A | Yes |
| DF6 | Adaptive or specialized furniture | N/A | Yes |
| DF7 | Noise buffer | N/A | Yes |
| DF8 | Familiar test administrator | N/A | Yes |
| DF9 | Student reads test aloud to self | N/A | Yes |
| DF10 | Specific time of day | N/A | Yes |
| DF11 | Stop Testing policy | N/A | Yes |

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| **Accommodations for Students with Disabilities for MCAS and ACCESS for ELLs** | | | |
| **Accommodation Number** | **Accommodation** | **SR/PNP Column** | **Available for ACCESS for ELLS** |
| A1 | Paper-based test | Column K | Yes |
| A2 | Large-print  *PBT only* | Column U | Yes |
| A3.1 | Screen reader | Column V | No |
| A3.2 | Braille edition | Column X | Yes |
| A3.3 | Screen reader | Column V | No |
| A4.1 | Text-to-Speech | Column AC | No |
| A5 | Human read aloud  *Math and STE tests only* | Column Y | Yes, only for Listening, Speaking, and Writing |
| A6.1 | Human signer  *Math and STE tests only* | Column AA | No |
| A6.2 | ASL video  *Grade 10 Math and June High School Science only* | Column AF | No |
| A7 | Human signer for test directions only | N/A | Yes |
| A8 | Track test items | N/A | No |
| A9 | Approved graphic organizer or supplemental reference sheet | Column AP | No |
| A10.1 | Scribe responses  *Math and STE tests only* | Column AG | Yes, only for Listening, Speaking, and Writing |
| A10.2 | Speech-to-text  *Math and STE tests only* | Column AI   * See Appendix A of the [Guide to the SR/PNP Process](http://mcas.pearsonsupport.com/manuals/) | Yes, only for Listening, Speaking, and Writing |
| A11 | Responses recorded on special paper | N/A | Yes |
| A12 | Typed responses | Column AK |  |
| A13 | Student records responses on a recording device | N/A | No |
| A14 | Responses signed onto a video | N/A | No |
| A15 | Monitor placement of responses | N/A | Yes |
| A16 | Refreshable Braille display | N/A | Yes |
| A16 | Braille note-taker | N/A | Yes |
| A17 | Braille writer | N/A | Yes |

| **Special Access Accommodations for Students with Disabilities for MCAS and ACCESS for ELLs** | | | |
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| **Accommodation Number** | **Special Access Accommodation** | **SR/PNP column** | **Available for ACCESS for ELLS** |
| SA1.1 | Text-to-Speech for ELA tests | Column AC | N/A |
| SA1.2 | Human Reader for ELA tests | Column Z | Yes, for Listening, Speaking and Writing if in their IEP.  If needed for the reading ACCESS domain, then the student is exempt. |
| SA2 | Human Signer for ELA tests | Column AB | No |
| SA3.1 | Scribe for ELA tests | Column AH | Yes, only for Listening, Reading, and Writing |
| SA3.2 | Speech-to-Text for ELA tests | Column AJ (STT)   * See Appendix A of the [Guide to the SR/PNP Process](http://mcas.pearsonsupport.com/manuals/) | N/A |
| SA4 | Calculator for Mathematics tests | Column AL | N/A |
| SA5 | Spell Checker for ELA tests | Column AM | No |
| SA6 | Word Prediction for ELA, grades and 8 STE, and High School Biology | Column AN   * See Appendix A of the [Guide to the SR/PNP Process](http://mcas.pearsonsupport.com/manuals/) | No |

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| **Accommodations for ELs for MCAS and ACCESS for ELLs** | | | |
| **Accommodation Number** | **Accommodation** | **SR/PNP Column** | **Available for ACCESS for ELLS** |
| EL1 | Paper-based test | Column K | Yes |
| EL2 | Word-to word dictionary and glossary | N/A | No |
| EL3.1 | Text-to-Speech | Column AC | No |
| EL3.2 | Human read aloud  *Math and STE tests only* | Column Y | Yes, only for Listening, Speaking, and Writing |
| EL4.1 | Scribe responses  *Math and STE tests only* | Column AG | Yes, only for Listening, Speaking, and Writing |
| EL4.2 | Speech-to-text  *Math and STE tests only* | Column AI   * See Appendix A of the [Guide to the SR/PNP Process](http://mcas.pearsonsupport.com/manuals/) | Yes, only for Listening, Speaking, and Writing |
| EL5 | Test administrator reads aloud, repeats, or clarifies *general test administration directions* | N/A | Yes |
| EL6 | Test administrator reads aloud/repeats/clarifies general administration directions in student’s native language | N/A | Yes. Can read directions or clarify in native language. Cannot repeat. |
| EL7 | Spanish/English edition of the Grade 10 Mathematics test or retest and high school Science tests | Column AO | No |