## TRC

**School Year 2018-2019 Testing Dates**

- **Fall (BOY):** September 4th, 2018 to October 12th, 2018
- **Winter (MOY):** December 10th, 2018 to February 1st, 2019
- **Spring (EOY):** May 6th, 2019 to June 14th, 2020

### What is the TRC Assessment?

The TRC (Text Reading and Comprehension) assessment is an early literacy formative assessment for grades K–2. TRC helps teachers understand student reading development by measuring a range of skills including reading fluency, accuracy and comprehension. TRC enables teachers to record detailed running records of student reading and assess student comprehension using a series of leveled books. TRC also allows teachers to assess early print concepts and reading behaviors in pre-readers. Teachers and school leaders use TRC results to make instructional decisions and carry out/monitor interventions and supports. TRC is sometimes used in partnership with another assessment, called DIBELS, which provides more detailed diagnostic information about foundational literacy skills. Together, TRC and DIBELS form the mCLASS®: Reading 3D™ assessment system. TRC is also available in Spanish. TRC Spanish assesses Spanish literacy development and is intended for English Learners whose primary language of instruction is Spanish.

### Components of the TRC Assessment

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<th><strong>TRC provides the following information to teachers:</strong></th>
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<td><strong>Accuracy Rate</strong> (ability to read without errors)</td>
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<td><strong>Self-Correction Rate</strong> (ability to recognize and correct errors without prompting)</td>
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<td><strong>Reading Comprehension</strong> (ability to read for understanding and answer both literacy and inferential text-based questions)</td>
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<td><strong>Instructional Reading Level</strong> (text level at which student should be instructed during small group reading lessons)</td>
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### What are the purposes of these assessments?

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<th><strong>When is the assessment given?</strong></th>
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<td>TRC is administered three times a year: Fall, Winter and Spring.</td>
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### Who should be assessed?

CPS schools can select their preferred early literacy assessment tool from a range of options, one of which is TRC. Each year, the decision to participate in TRC is made at the school level by the principal and the instructional leadership team. TRC is administered to all K-2 students at participating schools.

### How are results reported?

TRC results are reported to teachers and administrators through a web-based platform. Parent reports are also available. Results are reported many ways, but most reports include an Instructional Reading Level and proficiency levels described by the following colors and terms:

- **Red/Far Below Proficient** (student requires significant instructional support)
- **Yellow/Below Proficient** (student requires some instructional support)
- **Green/Proficient** (student is performing in accordance with grade level expectation)
- **Blue/Above Proficient** (student is exceeding grade level expectations)

### How are results used?

Teachers use the results of the assessment for instructional planning. TRC also helps identify students who may be in need of additional support in literacy (i.e. academic intervention or enrichment).

### Where can I find additional information about the TRC Assessment?

- **CPS staff** can find additional information on the CPS Knowledge Center mCLASS Assessments page here: https://sites.google.com/a/cps.edu/kc/assessment/mclass-assessment
- **Parents** can find additional information at https://www.amplify.com/assessment/mclass-reading-3d or by speaking with your child's teacher

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Visit cps.edu/assessment for information on Chicago Public Schools full balanced assessment system.

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