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Using MAP Recommended Practice (“the prototype”)

What is MAP Recommended Practice?

MAP Recommended Practice is a prototype: we are testing on Khan Academy new functionality which allows teachers to enter their students’ NWEA MAP Test scores (students may also enter their own scores) in order for the student to receive a customized playlist of math skills, based on their test results.

While this functionality is new on Khan Academy, the skills playlists have been developed over several years in close collaboration with NWEA. Until now, these recommended playlists have been made available to teachers via a pdf download from NWEA’s website. This prototype attempts to streamline and facilitate that process for teachers.

(Please note that this is a very early prototype to automate the pdf playlist functionality. We invite you to take note of what additional features would help you and your students and please respond to our surveys in November and February!)

Who should use MAP Recommended Practice?

Students who take the NWEA MAP Test, and their teachers.

Do I have to already know how to use Khan Academy in order to use the prototype in my classroom?

No. If today is your first time visiting Khan Academy, welcome! Please review the [MAP Recommended Practice instructions](#) and you’ll be up and running, ready to use the prototype in just a few minutes.

Do I need a Khan Academy account to use the prototype?

Yes. In order to input your students’ scores, and monitor their progress on their recommended playlists, you will need to create an account, create a class, and add your students to your class. You can find more information about this process in our [MAP Recommended Practice instructions](#).

Will the prototype work with Clever?

Yes! If your school uses Clever, just log into Khan Academy via Clever, have your students log in via Clever, then follow the [MAP Recommended Practice instructions](#)



starting at “Enter student test scores”. If you need more help accessing Khan Academy via Clever, check out this helpful [resource](#).

Will the prototype work with Google Apps for Education?

Yes! You and your students may log into Khan Academy via Google, then follow the [MAP Recommended Practice instructions](#) starting at “Enter student test scores”. If you need more help accessing Khan Academy via Google, check out this helpful [resource](#).

Does the prototype work on iPad/iPhone/Android?

Yes! You and your students may open the MAP Recommended Practice [landing page](#) (www.KhanAcademy.org/maptest) from any browser on a mobile device to use this functionality. However, the prototype is not currently functional in the Khan Academy app.

Does the prototype work on laptops?

Yes! You and your students may open the MAP Recommended Practice [landing page](#) (www.KhanAcademy.org/maptest) from any browser on a laptop to use this functionality.

Do I need to ask permission from my principal or district to use the prototype?

MAP Recommended Practice is free, just like all of Khan Academy. If your students have access to technology (laptops, ipads, or any mobile device) and the internet, then they will be able to use the prototype. You can even recommend they work on the skills at home, or in the computer lab. Once you (or they) enter their NWEA MAP Test scores, their recommended playlists will be available to them anytime they log into Khan Academy, from anywhere, and from any device. Reminder - we do not store the student’s NWEA MAP Test scores, we only save the student’s recommended playlist of skills based on their results. Given these parameters, please use your discretion to determine whether you must ask permission to use the prototype.

How much/often should I use the prototype?

We recommend you instruct your students to work on their recommended skills playlist for at least 30 minutes each week. As always, Khan Academy is free. So as long as they have access to the internet and a computer or mobile device, they can work on their playlist (at the end of class, in the computer lab, at home, etc.)

Will Khan Academy know if I am using (or if my students are using) the prototype?

Khan Academy is able to keep track of teachers and students who are using this functionality, based on the account that you log in with. We look forward to hearing what you think! So please expect an email surveys along the way. We hope you will share your thoughts and feedback with us.

Is the prototype functionality a permanent addition to Khan Academy?

No. Not yet! That's why we need your input. At the end of the pilot (in February) we will determine whether to keep this functionality and improve it.

How long will the the prototype be available?

We intend to make this functionality availability through the recommended dates for the optional winter administration of the NWEA MAP Test. (Approximately February 2017.)

Where can I find out more about the prototype?

This FAQ document is the most extensive resource providing context for the MAP Recommended Practice prototype and pilot. If you'd like to learn more about how the prototype works, please visit our [MAP Recommended Practice Instructions](#). Otherwise, if the instructions and this FAQ do not answer all of your questions, you may email us at maptestpractice@khanacademy.org.

If I enter my students' MAP Test scores, will their progress on Khan Academy be automatically updated to match the level of mastery that they demonstrated on the MAP Test?

No. A student's Khan Academy progress is not automatically updated based on entering a that student's MAP Test scores. However, as a student practices and masters the recommended skills, Khan Academy will track that practice and update the student's general Khan Academy progress (and any missions that contain those skills) to reflect that practice.

Will I see the skills recommended on the NWEA Recommended Practice prototype on Coach Reports for each of my students?

No. At this time, MAP Recommended Practice playlists live only on the prototype at www.KhanAcademy.org/maptest. For now, you will not see these skills in your recommendations lists for your students on your Coach Reports.

Will my students see the skills recommended on the NWEA Recommended Practice prototype on their Profile page in their coach recommendations lists?

No. At this time, MAP Recommended Practice playlists live only on the prototype at www.KhanAcademy.org/maptest. For now, your students will not see these skills in their recommendations lists on their Profile.

Pilot

Why prototype and pilot MAP Recommended Practice?

Before we make a big product investment, we want to be sure that (as we suspect) this is functionality will be very useful for teachers and students. We also hope to receive your feedback to ensure any future investments in the functionality are prioritized by what will be most helpful for teachers and students. We are prototyping this functionality and running the pilot test from September 2016 - February 2017. At the end of the pilot, we will determine whether to keep the functionality, make investments to improve the experience for students and teachers, and make the functionality available to all teachers and students who take the NWEA MAP Test.

How do I sign up for the pilot?

Great question! Simply use the prototype (and have your students work on the recommended playlists) and we will reach out to you at the email address you used to register for Khan Academy for feedback. We will send you two surveys (one in November, and one in February).

When does the pilot start?

Now! You and your students can start your MAP Recommended Practice today. (The pilot runs September 2016 - February 2017.)



When does the pilot end?

The pilot ends after the second, optional, recommended administration dates of the MAP Test, approximately February 2017.

Will I receive anything for participating in this pilot?

Yes! You will receive free, personalized, rigorous, Common-Core-aligned math practice for your students. (We are not providing any monetary incentives for participating.)

What progress updates or indicators will I receive throughout the pilot?

In order to see your students' progress, be sure to check your MAP Recommended Practice [landing page \(www.KhanAcademy.org/maptest\)](http://www.KhanAcademy.org/maptest) frequently.

(We do not expect to send you pilot updates, other than the survey in November.)

How can I provide feedback on the prototype?

We can't wait to hear what you think! Be sure to sign up for a Khan Academy account and use the prototype while logged into your account. We will be sending out two surveys (one in November and one in February) to teachers using the prototype in order to solicit your feedback.

NWEA

What is Khan Academy's relationship with NWEA?

Khan Academy and NWEA have worked together for several years to help support teachers and students with recommended practice based on students' MAP Test results. Until now, these skills playlists have been made available to teachers via a pdf download from NWEA's website. This prototype attempts to streamline and facilitate that process for teachers and students. We are working closely with NWEA to test this new MAP Recommended Practice functionality on Khan Academy.

How do I know that my students will be practicing skills that NWEA recommends?

Khan Academy has worked with NWEA for many years to help NWEA produce crosswalks from NWEA MAP Test results to Khan Academy exercises ("[MAP TO KHAN ACADEMY: KHAN ACADEMY PRACTICE EXERCISES CORRELATED TO RIT](#)"). These PDF documents have allowed teachers to manually recommend specific Khan Academy



exercises for their students. In order to streamline the process for teachers to make these skills playlists actionable, we are collaborating closely with NWEA to test this new functionality on Khan Academy.

Will you share my students' progress with NWEA?

No. We will not share any individual student's Khan Academy progress data with NWEA. We will report to NWEA how much total learning time students are cumulatively spending (watching videos and working on practice problems), in aggregate, on the MAP Recommended Practice functionality.

What happens to my students' MAP Test scores after I enter them on Khan Academy?

We do not record or save students' MAP Test scores. Rather, we only save the recommended playlist of skills so that each time a student returns to their logged in account, they will see the same list of recommended skills that they received when they entered their scores. We have no data link with NWEA to import student test scores, or to share Khan Academy data or history with NWEA.

Using Khan Academy

Privacy on Khan Academy

Our privacy policy is fueled by our commitment to the following Privacy Principles:

- We're deeply committed to creating a safe and secure online environment for you.
- We do not sell your personal information to third parties. We established ourselves as a not-for-profit organization so that our mission of education and your trust will not be in conflict with a for-profit motive.
- We strive to provide you with access to and control over the information you give us, and we take the protection of your information very seriously.
- We take extra precautions for our younger learners under the age of 13, including restricting child accounts to automatically block features that would allow a child to post or disclose personal information.
- We do not advertise on Khan Academy. We use your information to provide you with a better learning experience, not to sell you products.

If you'd like further information on how we handle privacy on Khan Academy, [please refer to our privacy policy.](#)

Khan Academy Vocabulary Primer

New to Khan Academy? This quick run down of Khan Academy lingo may help!

- **Avatars:** Khan Academy characters that students use to customize their profiles; students choose their favorite avatar and earn energy points to unlock more avatar options
- **Badges:** incentives used to encourage students for mastery and practice, completion of missions, as well as for participating positively in the Khan Academy community
- **Class Code:** found in Coach Reports, found on the Dashboard and Manage Students tabs of Coach Reports; a unique code generated automatically when each class is created; students may simply add themselves to a class using the class code
- **Coach:** teacher, parent, or any person who uses Khan Academy to help, support, and monitor the progress of students who have accepted them as their coach
- **Coach Reports:** the central hub (or dashboard) where a teacher or coach can manage their class rosters, make skills recommendations for students, and monitor student progress: coach reports lets a teacher see where students are spending their time, where they are struggling, and where they are excelling - want to learn more about Coach Reports? Check out these helpful [instructions](#).
Note: At this time, MAP Recommended Practice playlists live only on the

prototype

at www.KhanAcademy.org/maptest. For now, you will not see these skills in your recommendations lists for your students on your Coach Reports.

- **Energy Points:** a measure of effort on Khan Academy; points are awarded for various learning activities like practicing exercises, watching a video, or creating a CS program, as well as for exhibiting positive character strengths like asking and answering questions in the Khan Academy community (for students 13 years, and older)
- **Exercises:** 100,000+ Common Core-aligned exercises to practice grammar and mathematics from early math through calculus, and more
- **Manage Class:** found in Coach Reports, where a teacher or coach adds makes changes to the class roster
- **Mastery Challenges:** a set of challenge questions that pull from various skills, requiring a student to demonstrate mastery of a skill after a period of rest from practicing the skill, in order to truly demonstrate mastery; taking Mastery Challenges is the only way for students to achieve the “Mastered” status level for each math skill
- **Mastery Levels:** struggling, needs practice, practiced, level one, level two, mastered
- **Mastery System:** the educational philosophy that Khan Academy follows in which students proceed to the next topic not in accordance with a fixed calendar, but only after they have completely mastered the necessary prerequisites
- **Missions:** some of Khan Academy’s grade levels and classes (e.g. 3rd Grade and Geometry) have associated math “missions” that allow students to learn at their own pace and require the mastery of skills before students may move on to the

next higher order skill, all while earning energy points and badges as they master skills and complete missions

- **Mission Warm-Up:** a few questions at the beginning of each mission that helps Khan Academy figure out where to start students on the mission
- **Profile:** where a student goes to take pride in viewing all of their progress on Khan Academy! Provides a dashboard of: mission progress, points, badges, CS programs, community participation (for students 13 years, and older) and more. Students also find their teacher or coach recommendations here.

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skills listed as recommendations from you on their Profile.

- **Recommendations:** mechanism for teachers and coaches to assign skills to a student or group of students
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- **Skill Progress:** found in Coach Reports, a report that provides insight into each student's mastery level on each skill, helping teachers and coaches identify which students need additional support
- **Streak:** we like to reward persistence! Khan Academy rewards students with points for a streak of questions answered correctly, and continuous days of work
- **Student Progress:** found in Coach Reports, provides a report outlining a quick summary of each class as a whole, as well as the progress of each individual student
- **Videos:** Khan Academy has 13,000+ instructional videos, including 5000 math videos tightly aligned with the Common Core, covering early math to calculus and more