NEBRASKA PRESCHOOL ASSESSMENT TOOL



HOW TO USE THE ASSESSMENT AND UTILIZE THE RESULTS NEBRASKA MIGRANT EDUCATION CONFERENCE MAY 23, 2017

What is the NePAT?

- Quick, easy-to-use assessment for migrant preschoolers
- ▶ Leveled for 3, 4, and 5 year old students
- Designed for short-term and/or home-based instruction
- Includes Math/Problem Solving and Language/Literacy sections
- Materials include Assessment Toolkit and Student Score Sheet
- Used as a pre and post-test
- Rubric shows four levels of mastery
- Combination of several research-based assessments and streamlined for migrant students

Why do we need a preschool assessment?

CONCERN STATEMENT-

▶ 1-3: We are concerned that migrant children in short term (i.e,, summer) and nonschool programs are not receiving needsbased school readiness services due to a lack of a quick, available assessment.



Comprehensive Needs Assessment Results

Need Indicator



Prioritized Solution

▶ Only 52% of migrant children attending migrant-funded preschools scored proficient on school readiness assessments which was 38% short of the target goal.

Measure growth by using a standard assessment.

A closer look at the NePAT

NePAT Overview

Math/Problem Solving

- Recognizing and naming numbers
- Counting
- One-to-one correspondence
- Identifying shapes
- Identifying colors

Language/Literacy

- Letter recognition
- ▶ Name recognition
- Vocabulary

▶ Total 63 points

▶ Total 83 points

Administration Tips

01

Have testing materials prepared

02

Limit distractions

03

Sit next to the student

04

Mark after each answer (incorrect or correct)

05

Avoid sharing progress with the student

06

Only ask the question or give the prompt

07

Re-direct back to the question or prompt if the child gets off task

Understanding the Testing Format

The **bold** text is your script. The italicized text gives your further instructions

SECTION 1: MATH/PROBLEM SOLVING

SKILL	PROMPT	TESTING TOOL	STUDENT RESPONSES & SCORE									
A. Recognizing	"What is this number?"	Cards A1-	2	3	6	1	9	7	5	4	8	
and naming numbers	Show student the cards with the numbers 2, 3, 6, 1, 9, 7, 5, 4, 8	A9	2 pts	2 pts	2 pts	2 pts	2 pts	2 pts	2 pts	2 pts	2 pts	/18 pts
	If student is unable to name a number(s) independently, say, "Point to the number" and repeat until all numbers have been named and/or identified.	Card A10	1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	

What you are testing (should lead guide instruction)

The tool that the child will need to be shown

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Always start with the first prompt

If the student needs more support, move to this prompt

Mark the student's answers as you assess them

Record the total points correct

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E. Identifying colors	"What colors do you see?" Point to each color .	Card D	red	blue	orange	yellow	green	black	purple	brown	TOTAL /16 pts
			2 pts								
	If student is unable to name a color(s) independently, say "Point to the color" and repeat until all colors have been named/identified		1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	1 ·	l pt	1 pt	1 pt	

SKILL	PROMPT	TESTING TOOL	STUDENT RESPONSES & SCORE													
A. Letter	//···		S	Μ	T	Α	Р	F	С	R	В	L	Ι	O	N	
	"What is this letter?" Point to the letter(s) a-z If student is unable to name a letter independently say, "Point to the letter" and repeat until all letters have been named/identified.	Cards E1- E27	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	TOTAL
Recognition			D	Н	J	K	W	0	U	٧	Υ	Z	X	Q	E	/52 pts
			2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	

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	"This is a picture of a boy. Point to the boy's <u>hat</u> ." Repeat prompt with other clothing items: jacket/coat, shoes/boots, mittens/gloves, pants.	Card F	hat	jacke or co	I Or	mittens or gloves	pants	TOTAL /5	
			1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	1 pt	pts	
	"This is a picture of a couple girls. Point to the girl's shirt." Repeat prompt with other	Card G	shirt		sunglasses o glasses	r	dress	TOTAL //3	
	clothing items: sunglasses, dress		1 pt		1 pt		1 pt		

Scoring Guide

- 1. Total the number correct
- 2. Match the child's age
- 3. Determine the proficiency level

	3 year old	4 year old	5 year old
Beginning	0-15 correct	0-19 correct	0-24 correct
Progressing	15-30 correct	20-35 correct	25-40 correct
Proficient	31-45 correct	36-50 correct	41-55 correct
Advanced	46-63 correct	51-63 correct	56-63 correct

Observational Notes

This is a space for your observations during testing. You may want to record:

- Any patterns your noticed
- Skills that need extra practice
- Mastery skills
- Anything else that will inform your instruction

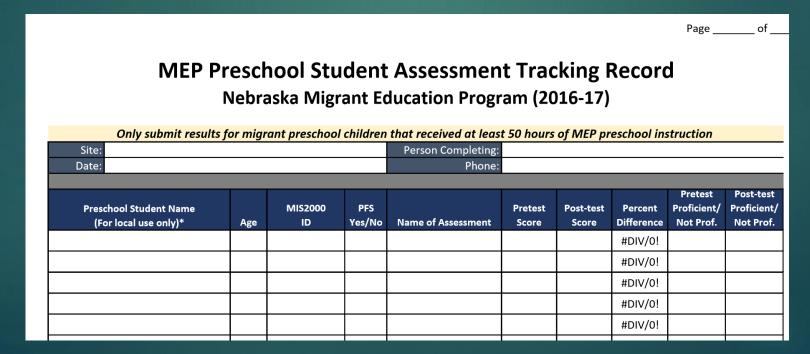
Observational Notes:

Keeping Records

Record the pre-assessment and post-assessment scores

Pre-Assessment Score:	Date:	Post-Assessment Score:	Date:

Also, record the results on Form 5 of the Evaluation Toolkit



What have been the results of the NePAT?

Evaluation Results

▶ MPO 1.1 During the 2015-16 performance period, 60% of 3-5 year old migrant children, participating in at least 50 hours of MEP-sponsored PK instruction, will score proficient or above or show a 20% increase on a pre/post assessment measuring readiness skills on designated district assessments.

The Nebraska MEP <u>met MPO 1.1</u> with 77% of the 3-5 year old migrant children assessed scoring proficient or showing a 20% increase on school readiness assessments. A total of 130 preschool-age children had pretest and/or post-test scores, with 89% having both or proficiency scores. All five local projects providing supplemental services to preschoolers, and the state program serving migrant students, provided school readiness data.

Local Project Pilot Results

Reading- Overall growth 122%

- Growth for 3 year olds (6 students)—67.5%
- Growth for 4 year olds (13 students)—244.6%
- Growth for 5 year olds (17 students)—47.05%

Math- Overall growth 58%

- Growth for 3 year olds (6 students)—137%.
- Growth for 4 year olds (13 students)—80.46%
- Growth for 5 year olds (17 students)—34.9%

Evaluation Results

Exhibit 25
Preschool Migrant Children's School Readiness Assessment Results

PFS Status	# Children Tested	# (%) Students with Pre/Post or Proficiency Scores	# (%) Students	# (%) Students Gaining 20% or More	# (%) Students Scoring Proficient	# (%) Gaining 20% or Scoring Proficient	MPO Met?
Status	resteu	Scores	Gaining	More	Proficient	Proficient	Met?
PFS	22	18 (82%)	18 (100%)	7 (39%)	9 (50%)	16 (89%)	Yes
Non-PFS	108	97 (90%)	81 (84%)	27 (28%)	45 (46%)	72 (74%)	Yes
All Migrant	130	115 (89%)	99 (86%)	34 (30%)	54 (47%)	88 (77%)	Yes

Tips, Tricks, and Takeaways

- Less growth for 5 year olds (due to two years already in the program)
- ► Testing Time:
 - ► 4-5 year olds=15 minutes
 - ➤ 3 year olds= 20-30 minutes
- Duration between the pre and post depends on how much instruction you provide



Questions, Comments?