

The Assessment Essentials Checklist

Choosing the right assessment program is an important decision. The best programs do more than measure learning—they help inform it.

Use this checklist to evaluate whether an assessment solution is right for you.

Trusted, Reliable Data

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Provides expertly developed, expert-validated assessments grounded in research, delivering accurate insights that predict high-stakes performance and inform instructional decisions

Clear Insights for All

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Offers clear insights that make it easy for educators, students, and families to understand what students can do relative to grade level and what they need next

Seamless Connection to Instruction

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Connects assessment results directly to instructional resources, grouping recommendations, and personalized learning pathways, making it easier to move from insight to action

Comprehensive Student View

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Brings all assessments together in one platform, giving educators a holistic picture of each student's skills and learning trajectory across subjects and grade levels

Research-Based Goal Setting

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Enables educators to set ambitious, evidence-backed goals proven to put students on a path to success and to monitor progress toward grade-level proficiency

Ongoing Partnership and Support

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Provides true partnership grounded in shared goals, dependable service, and deep Grades K–12 expertise, offering continuous support to help meet educators' needs and drive success



Check All the Boxes with *i-Ready*

A coherent Grades K–12 assessment solution, *i-Ready* is trusted by educators to deliver accurate and actionable assessments to more than 14 million students nationwide.

How *i-Ready* Aligns

1	Trusted, Reliable Data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>i-Ready</i> assessments undergo rigorous design, psychometrics, and external validation processes that ensure accuracy and fairness.<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>i-Ready</i> linking studies show high correlations to state summative tests.<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>i-Ready</i> is approved by the National Center on Intensive Intervention for academic screening and progress monitoring.
2	Clear Insights for All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Easy-to-read, actionable reports deliver domain-level insights, clear next steps, and a personalized path for rapid instructional decision making, helping educators, students, and families understand strengths and areas for growth.<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Criterion-referenced placement is aligned to grade-level standards.<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Official placement tables and standard-setting procedures show how scores map to grade-level expectations, making "on level" versus "below/above" clear for educators.
3	Seamless Connection to Instruction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Makes lesson planning and differentiation easier with grouping recommendations aligned to every learner's needs<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Connects assessment results directly to instruction by building the right teacher-led instructional resources for each student into reports
4	Comprehensive Student View	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One coherent Grades K–12 assessment program on a single platform offers an adaptive assessment, foundational literacy assessments, and Standards Mastery assessments in English and Spanish for reading and mathematics.
5	Research-Based Goal Setting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>i-Ready</i>'s growth model provides differentiated targets for students based on research:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Typical Growth provides what peers achieve in a year.• Stretch Growth® shows the growth students need across two years to reach proficiency.
6	Ongoing Partnership and Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Professional learning approved by Rivet Education and beloved by educators<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Best-in-class service, backed by multiple customer service honors and a team of Grades K–12 experts<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resources at your fingertips with Success Central, Quick Guides, and more

