Michigan Merit Examination

Who Must/Can Take the MME?

The Michigan Merit Examination (MME) consists of three components: 1) the SAT® with Essay from which the English language arts (ELA) and mathematics scores will be derived, 2) ACT WorkKeys®, and 3) the Michigan Student Test of Educational Progress (M-STEP) Science and Social Studies assessments. All three components must be taken in order to have a complete MME.

11th Graders
1. First time 11th graders are **required** to take all three components of the MME
   a. SAT with Essay (the MME ELA and mathematics scores will be derived from the SAT)
   b. ACT WorkKeys
   c. M-STEP Science and Social Studies
2. Grade 11 foreign exchange students are **required** to take the complete MME.
3. Repeating 11th grader: If the student has valid MME scores in all four content areas (SAT ELA, SAT mathematics, science, and social studies), and a valid work skills score, then the student is **not eligible** to take any portion of the MME.
4. Repeating 11th grader: If the student is missing one or more valid MME component scores (SAT ELA, SAT mathematics, science, social studies, work skills), then the student is **eligible, but not required** to take the complete MME.

12th Graders
1. 12th graders who were not included in 11th grade accountability are **required** to take the complete MME. Please see the [High School Grade Assignment for Accountability Calculations Frequently Asked Questions](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/FAQ_HS_Grade_Assignment_for_Accountability_346186_7.pdf) document for additional information.
2. Other 12th graders: If the student has valid MME scores in all four content areas (SAT ELA, SAT mathematics, science, and social studies), and a valid work skills score, then the student is **not eligible** to take any portion of the MME.
3. Other 12th graders: If the student is missing one or more valid MME component scores (SAT ELA, SAT mathematics, science, social studies, work skills), then the student is **eligible, but not required** to take the complete MME.

Can an 11th grade student take MI-Access FI for all content areas and take SAT and/or WorkKeys also?
- Students taking the Grade 11 MI-Access FI assessments are **eligible, but not required** to take the WorkKeys assessment.
- If the SAT with Essay component of the MME is an appropriate assessment for the student as determined by the Individualized Education Program (IEP) team, then the ELA and mathematics scores will be derived from the SAT with Essay and the student will not take MI-Access FI ELA and mathematics tests. If the student’s IEP team determines the MI-Access FI ELA and/or mathematics assessment is the most appropriate for the student, then the student is **not eligible** to take the SAT with Essay.
- The student will take the appropriate level science and social studies tests (M-STEP or MI-Access) based on his or her IEP.
- If a student participated as an 11th grader in a previous MI-Access administration, then the student is **not eligible** to take any component of the MME.