

## MCAS Alternate Assessment (MCAS-Alt) March 2025 Review Sessions

Educators assessing students with the MCAS-Alt should attend virtual or in-person sessions to receive feedback and guidance to ensure the assessments are accurately and correctly administered.

**Due to the limited number of reviewers, we are asking educators to choose *one* format (virtual or in-person) to ensure everyone has an opportunity to receive feedback.**

All MCAS-Alt review sessions are described below and include registration links.

Sessions and Topics to be Covered	Training Dates/Times Registration Links	Intended Audience	Recommended Materials
<p><b><u>In-Person MCAS-Alt Review Sessions</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bring your students’ in-progress assessment and a tablet or laptop to receive feedback and discuss your students’ evidence (<i>limited outlets available for charging</i>).</li> <li>• Share ideas for collecting high-quality evidence and data.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use this session to to organize and assemble your students’ portfolios.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><a href="#">Tuesday, March 4</a> 8:30 a.m. –12:00 p.m. <b>Taunton Conference Center</b> 700 Myles Standish Blvd. Taunton, MA 02780 <i>(Space limited to 250 per session)</i></p> <p>OR</p> <p><a href="#">Wednesday, March 5</a> 8:30 a.m. –12:00 p.m. <b>Boston Marriott Peabody</b> 8A Centennial Dr. Peabody, MA 01960 <i>(Space limited to 250 per session)</i></p> <p>OR</p> <p><a href="#">Thursday, March 6</a> 8:30 a.m. –12:00 p.m. <b>Springfield Marriott Downtown</b> 2 Boland Way Springfield, MA 01115 <i>(Space limited to 250 per session)</i></p>	<p>Educators actively administering the MCAS-Alt to one or more students</p>	<p><a href="#">2025 Educator's Manual for MCAS- Alt</a></p> <p><b>Resource Guides</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">English Language Arts and Literacy (PreK– Grade 12)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Mathematics (PreK– Grade 12)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Science and Technology/Engineering (STE)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Civics</a> (Grade 8 only)</li> </ul>

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<p><b><u>Virtual MCAS-Alt Review Sessions</u></b></p> <p>Using Zoom, DESE trained reviewers assist educators in virtual small breakout rooms.</p> <p>Each hour time slot is limited to 75 participants. Educators will be able to share their screens with the reviewers.</p>	<p><a href="#">Monday, March 10</a> <b>8:30a.m.–2:50 p.m.</b> Sign up for a single <b>1-hour</b> block. (No sessions will be offered 12:00–12:40 p.m.)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>OR</i></p> <p><a href="#">Wednesday, March 12</a> <b>8:30a.m.–2:50 p.m.</b> Sign up for a single <b>1-hour</b> block. (No sessions will be offered 12:00 – 12:40 p.m.)</p>	<p>Educators actively administering the MCAS-Alt to one or more students</p>	<p><a href="#">2025 Educator's Manual for MCAS- Alt</a></p> <p><b>Resource Guides</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">English Language Arts and Literacy (PreK–Grade 12)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Mathematics (PreK–Grade 12)</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">Science and Technology/Engineering (STE)</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Civics</a> (Grade 8 only)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

### Registration

The registration links above require attendee contact information. If you have difficulty registering, please contact the MCAS Service Center at 800-737-5103.

If you need an ASL interpreter, please send an email request to the MCAS Events team at [mcasevents@cognia.org](mailto:mcasevents@cognia.org) no later than February 10.

### In Case of Inclement Weather

In-person review sessions will take place unless the school is canceled in the district in which the training session is conducted. In the event of cancellation, an email will be sent to the addressee listed on the registration.