MCAP Government & LS MISA

KIOSK INSTALLATION GUIDE

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INTRODUCTION

This document is intended for technology personnel responsible for setting up the MCAP Government and LS MISA online-testing environments in participating LEAs and schools.

There are two components of the MCAP Government and LS MISA Assessments online testing system: the MCAP Government and LS MISA Portal, used by school and LEA administrators, and the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk, used by students for testing. This document contains instructions for installing the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk and conducting site readiness testing on devices used for online testing.

For more information on working with the MCAP Government and LS MISA Portal, see the MCAP Government and LS MISA Portal User Guide, which is available on the MCAP Government and LS MISA Help & Support page.

TECHNICAL SUPPORT

If you experience any difficulty downloading or installing the kiosk, contact Cognia Technical Support at LSMISA.GovHelpDesk@cognia.org or (877) 676-6722.

For questions about the latest test administration or other technical information, contact the Cognia Maryland Service Desk at LSMISA.GovHelpDesk@cognia.org or (866) 207-8804

For questions or information regarding MCAP government and LS MISA policy and testing procedures, contact the Maryland State Department of Education at (410) 767-0083

TESTING ENVIRONMENT

OVERVIEW

The MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk refers to the student interface used for online testing. The kiosk is a cross-platform, rich internet application that employs the industry's highest standard in security, reliability, and usability for high-stakes assessment. The kiosk runs seamlessly on Windows[®], Mac[®] and Linux[®] operating systems, iPad[®] tablets; with and without external keyboards, and Chromebook[™] notebook computers.

Note: The MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk is a version of the iTester[™] student testing kiosk application that has been tailored for MCAP Government and LS MISA Assessments. Some technical documentation may refer to the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk as iTester.

Information on using third party accessibility or accommodations software with the student test interface can be found in the <u>Testing with Third Party Assistive Technology Guide</u>.



PROCESS

The testing environment for a school is installed and set up by a Technology Coordinator (TC). In situations where there is not a dedicated Technology Coordinator, a Local Accountability Coordinator (LAC) or School Test Coordinator (STC) can perform these tasks.

After your LAC or STC has set up your TC account, you will receive your user account information via email. If you have not received your account information with your login credentials, contact your LAC or STC.

To install and set up the kiosks for your school:

- 1. Review the <u>Technology Guidelines</u> to ensure that you have the correct equipment for student testing.
- 2. Configure your network to support student testing on the kiosk:
 - Testing Environment Setup
 - Network Connectivity
 - Bandwidth
 - Thin-Client Environments
 - Monitor Settings
 - Default Voice Settings for Text-to-Speech Accommodations
- 3. Download and install the appropriate kiosk to each student testing device:
 - Windows®
 - macOS[®]
 - Linux®
 - iPad application
 - Chromebook application
- 4. Complete the <u>Site Readiness tests</u>, which perform a system check and provide a testing simulation scenario for each device or device configuration., which perform a system check and provide a testing simulation scenario for each device or device configuration.

To ensure that the testing environment is ready for students on time, we recommend that you run the Site Readiness tests directly after installing the test device kiosks.

5. When all of the configurations to be used for student testing are ready, <u>certify that your site</u> is ready for student testing.

For installation instructions for the optional caching module, iTester TestMonitor, please refer to the *iTester TestMonitor Installation Guide* located on the <u>MCAP Government and LS MISA Help and Support Site</u>



TESTING ENVIRONMENT SETUP

The Kiosk can be installed on the network or on an individual student testing device. The advantages and disadvantages for each are listed in the table below. We recommend a local installation to avoid network connection issues.

	Individual Device Installation	Network installation
Advantages	1	Time spent on application installation and configuration would be considerably less. Centralized location for application updates and configuration.
Disadvantages	1	Downloading the application from the network folder to the test taker's testing device could introduce single point of failure during application launch. Initial application launch could be delayed depending on the LAN traffic and bandwidth.

NETWORK CONNECTIVITY

All student testing devices used for student testing should have access to the Internet and should be able to access the server using HTTP/HTTPS protocols on ports 80 and 443.

- 1. Whitelist the following sites on ports 80 and 443 in content filtering proxies or other locally used proxy software.
 - https://lsmisagovportal.cognia.org
 - http://lsmisagovpracticetest.cognia.org
 - fonts.googleapis.com/
 - themes.googleusercontent.com/
 - googleusercontent.com/
 - https://cognito-identity.us-west-2.amazonaws.com
 - https://cognito-identity.us-east-1.amazonaws.com
 - https://eventsapi.emetric.net/mdprod/router
 - app.getsentry.com
 - dc.services.visualstudio.com
 - az416426.vo.msecnd.net

Note: It is critical that LEAs and schools using web content filters perform site readiness testing to confirm the Student Interface Test content can be downloaded to student kiosk clients without any issue.



- 2. If you are working with sandboxing applications (such as Faronics Deep Freeze[™]), do one of the following while installing the kiosk:
 - Choose network folder location for local caching.
 - Make sure the default location, such as C:\Users\user\AppData\Local\eMetric (%localappdata%/emetric) and its contents are not deleted by these applications.

Note: Student-testing data, including encrypted responses, will be saved to the indicated location only if the network connection or Internet connection is lost during the test. Students will be able to continue testing without interruption, but their testing data will be saved in the indicated folder.

- 3. School with low internet bandwidth:
 - We recommend that schools with an Internet download speed of less than 1.5 Mbps or less than 256 Kbps stagger students starting the test.

BANDWIDTH

The ability of a school's network to support a given volume of on-line testers is a function of the available bandwidth between the student's test device and the data center serving the test content, the number of students who will be downloading tests, and size of the test content. The Site Readiness test's Connection Capacity test will measure the bandwidth between a student's test device and the data center and determine the volume of tests that can be downloaded simultaneously. Use the results of this test to gauge the impact your bandwidth will have on testers.

THIN-CLIENT ENVIRONMENTS

When using thin-client environments, such as Terminal Services, Citrix®, or LTSP®, make sure that there is enough memory, CPU, and bandwidth on the server to accommodate multiple student test sessions. The application requires a minimum of 80 MB of memory per client session and performance can vary depending on the size and type of the test. Allowing multiple sessions on an improperly sized thin-client environment will lead to poor performance.

Additionally, schools using thing-clients need to be cautious when there is 1 GB or less of physical memory on the student testing device. In this case, we highly recommend that you use a local installation. As a rule, if you can use $Chrome^{TM}$ browser to access web-based email or web-based streaming services on all student testing devices simultaneously, then testing should go well.

In thin-client environments, the accounts students use to log in to the student testing devices must be unique for each student. Also, each account must have its own dedicated user profile.

Note: If kiosk in your thin-client deployment experience performance issues, such as graphics not rendering, fuzzy screens, or screen flickering, we recommend disabling or adjusting the hardware graphics acceleration.

For assistance, contact Cognia Service Desk at LSMISA.GovHelpDesk@cognia.org or (866) 207-8804.



MONITOR SETTINGS

Ensure that all monitors used for testing are set to the default color settings. If a student requires a zoom accessibility feature, review the recommended screen resolutions in the table below:

Required Zoom Level for Student	Recommended Screen Resolution
100% (No Zoom)	1024 x 768 (or higher)
150%	1920 x 1080 (or higher)
200%	1920 x 1080 (or higher)
300%	1920 x 1080 (or higher)

Note: These are only recommended screen resolutions. Use the screen resolution you feel the student would be most comfortable with. The student or proctor may set the zoom level within the Kiosk when the student logs in using his or her unique username and password at the time of testing.

DEFAULT VOICE SETTINGS FOR TEXT-TO-SPEECH ACCOMMODATIONS

The voice used by the student testing kiosk for text-to-speech is the voice set as the default on the device the student is using for testing. Ensure that the desired voice is set as the default for the operating system installed on the device.

To update the default voice for Windows 10 & 11:

- 1. Click the **Windows**® button.
- 2. Click Settings.
- 3. Click **Time & Language**.
- 4. Click **Speech** under the Time & Language menu on the left side of the screen.
- 5. Select the voice you want to use in the **Voice Selection** box.

To update the default voice for macOS[®] 11.6 & 12.6:

- 1. Click System Preferences.
- Click Accessibility.
- 3. Click **Spoken Content**.
- 4. Click the voice you want to use in the **System Voice** box.

DISABLE TOUCH SETTINGS FOR THIRD-PARTY SOFTWARE

The sketch tool is not available if third-party software with touch settings is installed on the student device. Please see the third-party software help guide for steps to disable touch settings.



MCAP GOVERNMENT & LS MISA KIOSK INSTALLATION

WINDOWS® OS

Follow the steps below to install the kiosk on all student testing devices running Windows.

Step 1: Set up your school testing environment

Review **Testing Environment** in detail.

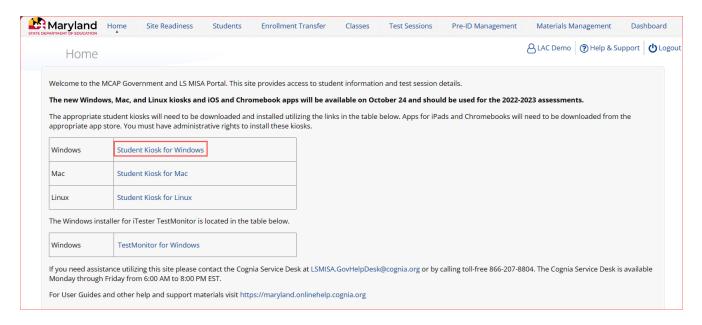
Step 2: Download the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk

After your Local Accountability Coordinator (LAC) sets up your Technology Coordinator (TC) account, you will receive your user account information via email.

Note: If you do not have a dedicated TC, a LAC or STC can complete all TC tasking using their LAC or STC account. Ensure you have the correct administrative rights to make changes to student testing devices.

When you have your login credentials, you are ready to download the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk:

- 1. Go to the MCAP Government and LS MISA Portal and log in with your username and password.
- 2. On the portal home page, click **Administration**. The Administration home page appears.
- 3. Click Student Kiosk for Windows® to download the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk to the device.





Step 3: Install the downloaded Kiosk

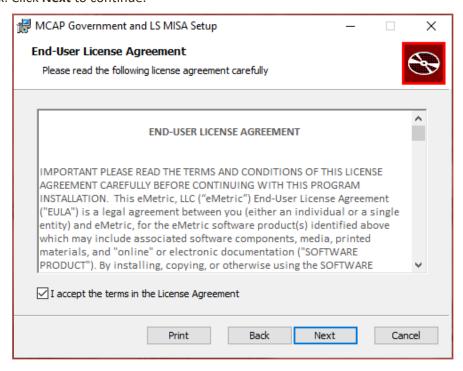
When the download completes:

1. Click the installation file in the Downloads folder on the device. The Setup Wizard will open. Read the instructions and then click **Next** to continue.

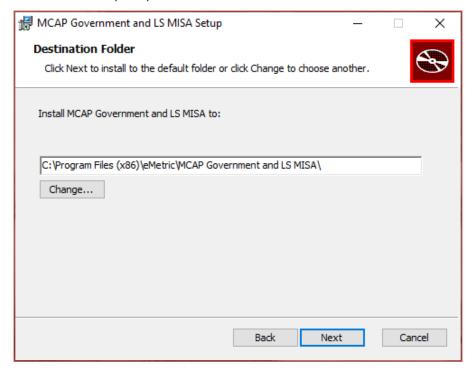




2. Read the End-User License Agreement and check I accept the terms in the License Agreement check box. Click Next to continue.



3. Use the default folder location for installation or click **Change** and type a type a different installation location in the space provided. Then click **Next** to continue.





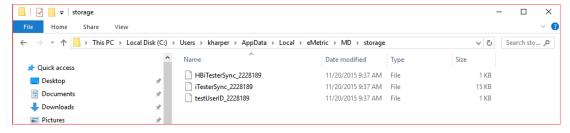
Note: You can choose to install the kiosk in a shared network folder or a local folder on the student testing device. We recommend a local installation to avoid network connection issues (see Network Connectivity).

4. Select the directory to store student responses and click **Next** to continue.



- Important: This is the failover location for saving student responses in the event network connectivity is lost. Additionally, this folder must have the appropriate permissions to allow test takers to write data.
- Use the User Profile directory for caching

During kiosk installation, if you choose the default option to store the stored response files in the user profile, these files will have names like this format:

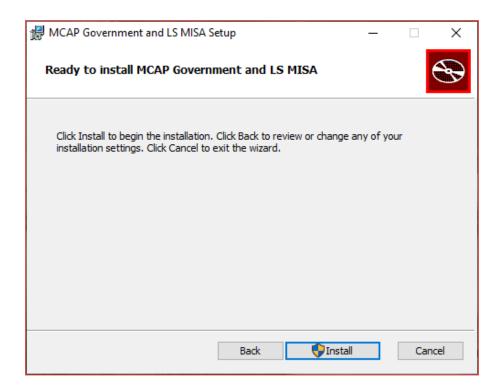


Use a custom directory for caching

If you select **Save in the following directory**, you must manually enter the alternate path.

5. Confirm that you are ready to install the kiosk, and then click **Install**.





6. Click **Finish** to complete the installation.



When you are ready to test the kiosk installation for this configuration, see <u>Site Readiness Testing and Site Certification</u>.



WINDOWS® MSI PACKAGE SCRIPTED INSTALLATION

Network administrators can install the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk via an installation script to be executed by an Admin account on the machine. The script can be written to run without any human interaction (quiet switch) and to install in the default directory (C:\Program Files) or any target directory of choice. Uninstalling the client can also be scripted.

Below are generic scripts that can be used for installation and uninstallation.

Script Examples

<Source> = Complete path to the HSA Kiosk MSI installation file, including .msi installation file name. Example: C:\Downloads\Maryland.msi

<Target> = Complete path to the location where kiosk should be installed other than the default location (C:\Program Files). Example: C:\ Maryland\Installation Dir

<APPDATALOCATION> = Complete path to the location for storing the cache and encrypted student responses created due to network interruptions. Example: D:\Cache.

Note: Ensure that this location is excluded from system restore software, like Deep Freeze.

Installation script

msiexec /I "<Source>" /quiet INSTALLDIR="<Target>"
ITESTERAPPDATALOCATION="<APPDATALOCATION>" INSTALLLEVEL=2

Example: msiexec /I "C:\Downloads\Maryland.msi" /quiet INSTALLDIR="C:\ Maryland" ITESTERAPPDATALOCATION="D:\Cache" INSTALLLEVEL=2

Warning: If you do not specify ITESTERAPPDATALOCATION, then the Local Application Data folder located in the User Profile of the actively logged-in user will be used by default. If you do not specify INSTALLLEVEL=2, then the configuration required for setting the <APPDATALOCATION> will not be created.

Uninstallation script

msiexec /X "<Source>" /quiet

Example: msiexec /X "C:\Downloads\Maryland.msi" /quiet



WINDOWS® MSI PACKAGE INSTALLATION VIA GROUP POLICY

Network administrators can use Microsoft Active Directory Group Policy to distribute the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk MSI package seamlessly to all client computers.

Follow the step-by-step instructions described in the following Knowledge Base article.

Note: Default installation locations will be used when using Group Policy to distribute the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk. This option will also not allow systematically specifying a network location for caching and storing encrypted student responses created due to network interruptions. The local Application Data folder located in the User Profile of the actively logged-in user will be used by default.

WINDOWS® NETWORK KIOSK INSTALLATION

To install the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk on a network:

- 1. Complete the local kiosk installation listed above on the machine that will host the application.
- 2. Configure the stored response location to network share or leave as default during installation.
- 3. On the student testing devices create a shortcut to the application on the network. The shortcut created should point to MCAP Government and LS MISA.exe.
- 4. Ensure that users have read/write/modify access to stored response directory configured in Step 2.



MAC OS®

Follow the steps below to install the kiosk on all student-testing Mac devices.

Step 1: Set up your school testing environment

Review **Testing Environment** in detail.

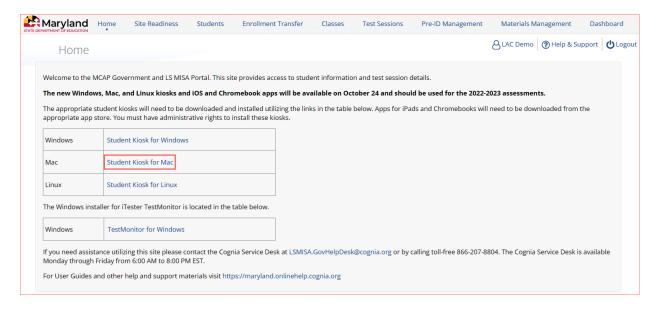
Step 2: Download the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk

After your Local Accountability Coordinator (LAC) sets up your Technology Coordinator (TC) account, you will receive your user account information via email.

Note: If you do not have a dedicated TC, a LAC or STC can complete all TC tasks using their LAC or STC account.

When you have your login credentials, you are ready to download the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk:

- 1. Go to the MCAP Government and LS MISA Portal and log in with your username and password.
- 2. On the portal home page, click **Administration**.
- 3. Click **Student Kiosk for** Mac. The kiosk will download to the device.

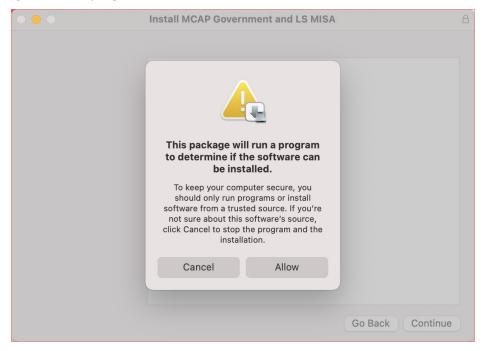




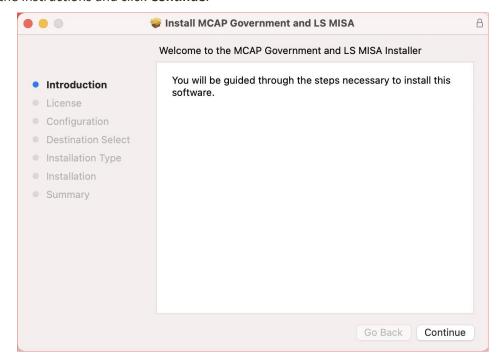
Step 3: Install the downloaded Kiosk

Upon completion of the download process:

- 1. Navigate to the file location you specified during the File Save process.
- 2. The package will run a program to determine if the software can be installed. Click Allow.

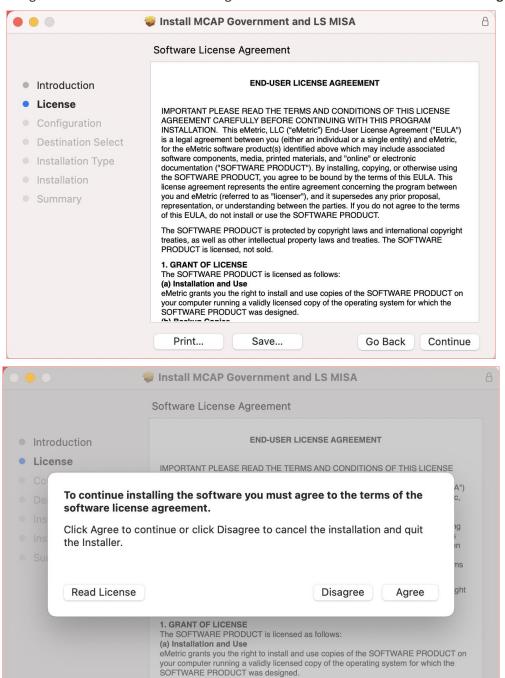


3. Read the instructions and click Continue.





4. Read and agree with the Software License Agreement and then click Continue and then Agree.



Print...

Save...

Continue

Go Back



5. Indicate where you would like to store student responses.

Important: In the event the student loses internet connectivity during testing, responses will be stored to this location. Additionally, the older must have the appropriate read/write permissions to allow test takers to write data to this location.

Choose from the following two options:

• User's Home Directory

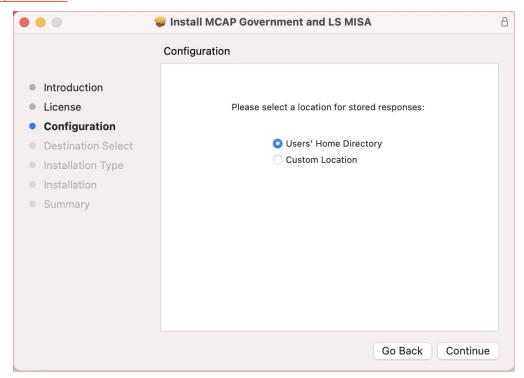
During kiosk installation, if you choose the default option to store the stored response files in the user profile, these files will have names like this format:

~ /Library/Application Support/eMetric/MCAP Government and LS MISA/Storage/iTesterSync_AD849G-DA56-19F3-73K39823DJS3

Custom location

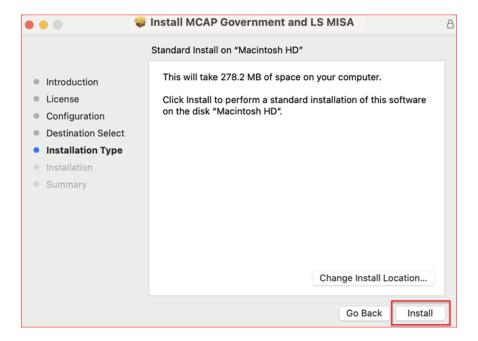
If you select **Save in the following directory**, you must manually enter the alternate path.

For more information, contact the Cognia Service Desk at LSMISA.GovHelpDesk@cognia.org or (866) 207-8804-.



- 6. Then click Continue.
- 7. Verify installation type and click Install. You may be required to enter your admin password.

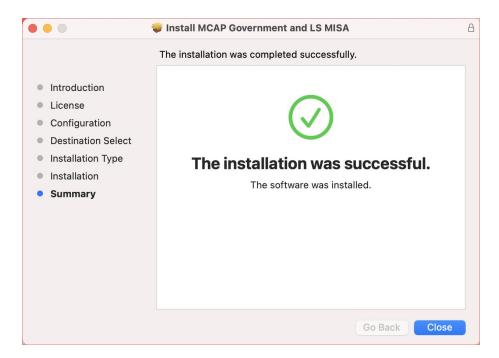






8. When the installation is complete, click **Close**.





9. For enhanced security measures, grant the testing application access to **Desktop Folder**. To grant access follow the path below:

Click System Settings > Privacy and Security > Files and Folder > MCAP Government and LS MISA > Desktop Folder (Turn on Toggle).

10. If you are using a newer system running MacOS 15.0 or greater with an M2 processor chip you will need to install Rosetta. This can be accomplished by launching the MCAS Government and LS MISA Kiosk for the first time.

After launching the MCAS Government and LS MISA Kiosk you will be prompted:

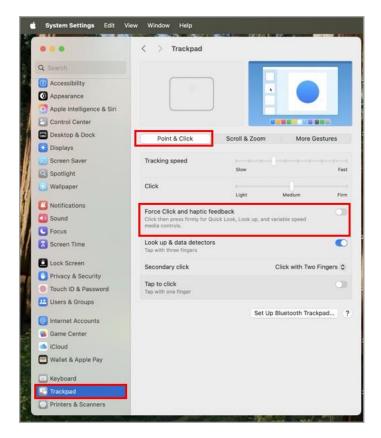
To open "MCAS," you need to install Rosetta. Do you want to install it now? Select Install.

Note: Rosetta enables Intel-based features to run on Apple silicon Macs. Reopening applications after installation is required to start using Rosetta.

11. Force Click will need to be disabled for MacBooks with Force Touch trackpads. By disabling Force Click, the trackpad will function as normal and will only disable the secondary press features, not disable the trackpad itself. To disable, follow the path below:

Click System Settings > Trackpad > Point & Click > Force Click and haptic feedback (Turn off Toggle).





Note: This setting will only be available if the MacBook has a Force Touch trackpad.

12. When you are ready to test the Kiosk installation for this configuration, see Site Readiness Testing and Site Certification.

LINUX®

Follow the steps below to install the kiosk on all student-testing devices running Linux®.

Step 1: Set up your school testing environment

Review <u>Testing Environment</u> in detail.

Step 2: Download the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk

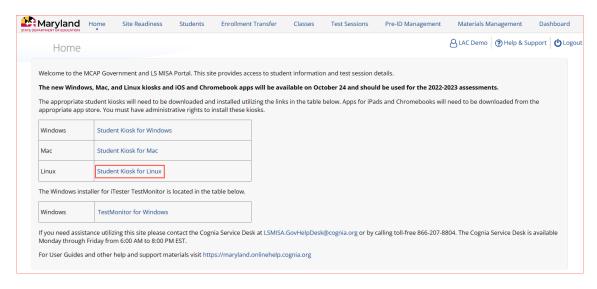
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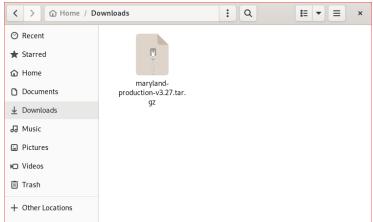
Note: If you do not have a dedicated TC, a LAC or STC can complete all TC tasks using their LAC or STC account.

When you have your login credentials, you are ready to download the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk:



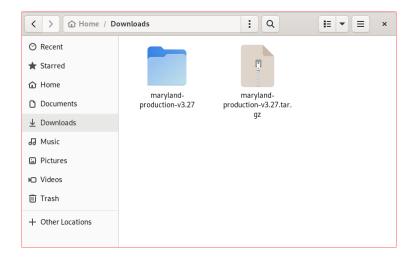
- 1. Go to the MCAP Government and LS MISA Portal and log in with your username and password.
- 2. On the portal home page, click **Administration**. The Administration home page appears.
- Click Student Kiosk for Linux. The file will be downloaded to the downloads folder.
 Note: Linux 32-bit is no longer supported.





4. Extract the installation file from the zipped package to a location on the computer.

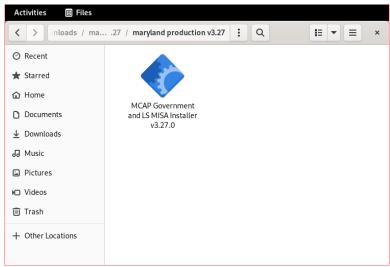




Step 3: Install the downloaded kiosk

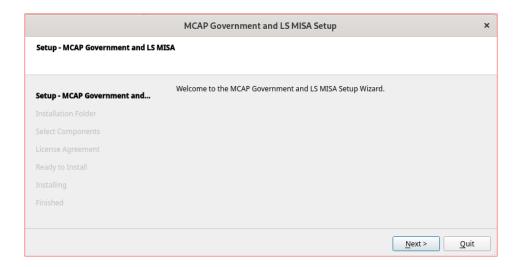
Upon completion of extraction of installation file:

1. Navigate to the kiosk installer file and execute.

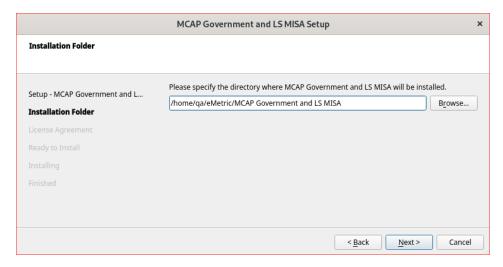


2. Read the Welcome page and click **Next** to continue.





3. Verify the installation folder is correct. Click **Next** to continue.



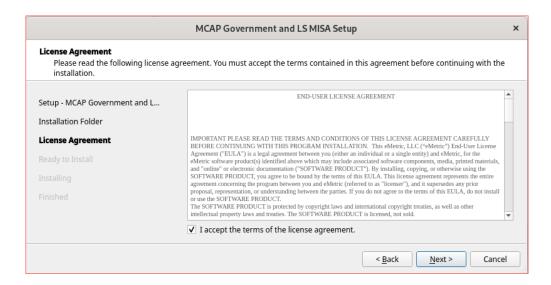
Tip: If it is not correct, click **Browse** to find the destination where the kiosk should be installed.

We recommend a local installation to avoid network connection issues (for more information, see Network Connectivity).

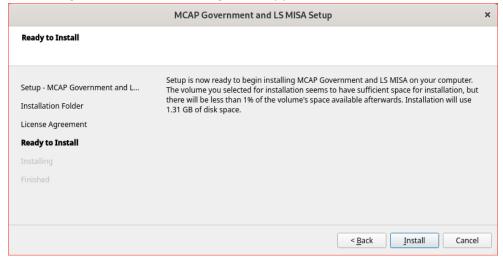
Note: This will also be the cache location to save student responses.

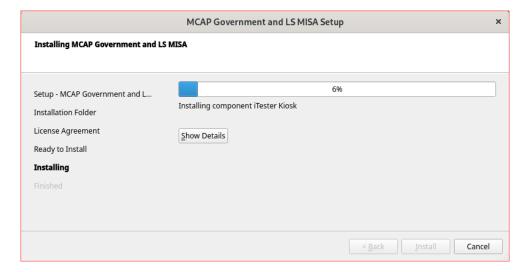
4. Read the License Agreement and click I accept the terms of the license agreement. Click Next to continue.





5. Review the settings before the installer begins to copy files and then click **Install**.





6. Click **Finish** to exit Setup.





When you are ready to test the kiosk installation for this configuration, see <u>Site Readiness Testing and</u> Site Certification.

IPAD APPLICATION INSTALLATION

DOWNLOAD THE ITESTER APP FROM THE APPLE APP STORE

iTester's iPad application is a Single Instance application. Technology Coordinators will select the state during the initial setup of the app.

If you do not already have the iTester app on your iPad, it is available as a free download from the Apple App Store.

1. Open the **App Store** on the iPad.

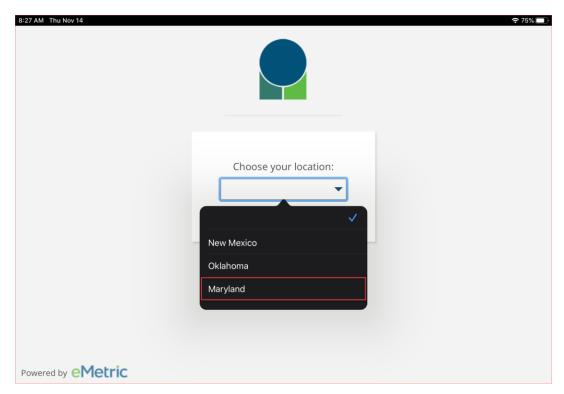


- 2. Search for iTester.
- 3. When you locate the iTester app, click to download it to the iPad.



- 4. Launch the iTester app.
- 5. Choose your location from the drop-down menu and then click **Go**. You will be directed to the student sign in screen for your state.





Note: If you select the wrong location, please choose the Change Location on the iTester login page.

Not in Maryland? Change Location

When you are ready to test the kiosk installation for this configuration, see <u>Site Readiness</u> Testing and Site Certification.

Automatic Assessment Configuration

A feature in iPadOS called Assessment Mode (AM) (formerly known as Automatic Assessment Configuration (AAC)) works with iTester to lock down an iPad for online testing. Users in the field need to do nothing to set up AM. When a student launches the iTester App, logs into a test, and then logs into a test session, Assessment Mode will automatically prompt the user to enter single app mode and will disable auto correction, define, spell check, predictive keyboard, and some keyboard shortcuts. (For a complete list please visit this Apple Support page).

This feature helps ensure a secure test environment without requiring Technology Coordinators to use Mobile Device Manager Software or manually turn on guided access and change keyboard settings. Assessment Mode is the preferred method of securing the iTester App and should be used in place of guided access. If guided access is on, it will override AM; therefore, guided access should be turned-off to allow AM to function. No additional set-up is necessary to enable Assessment Mode.

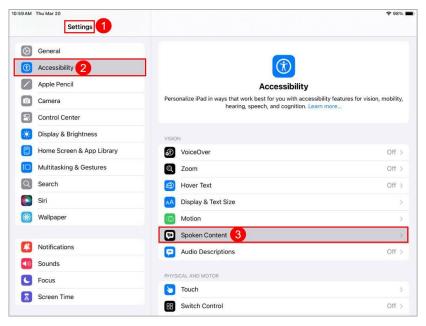


Spoken Content

Spoken Content is an accessibility feature for iPadOS that can be used to have the screen, selected text, or typed words read aloud. If Spoken Content is enabled prior to a student logging into a secure test, it will remain enabled during the test. eMetric recommends disabling Spoken Content unless the student requires it.

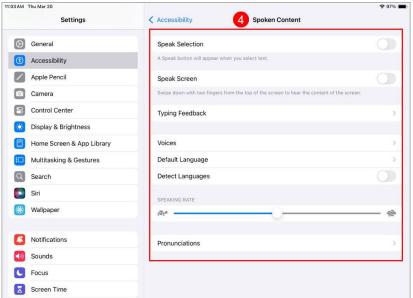
Use the following steps to disable:

- 1. Go to Settings
- 2. Open Accessibility
- 3. Select Spoken Content



4. Turn off all options within Spoken Content.





CHROMEBOOK™ APPLICATION

INSTALLATION

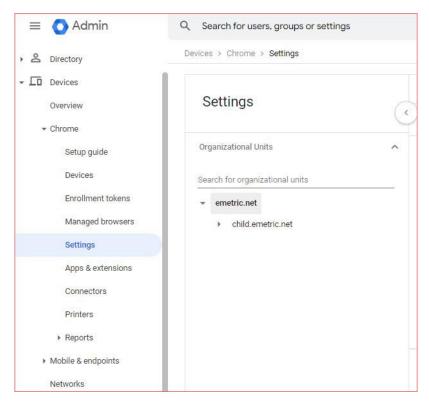
MANAGED CHROMEBOOKSTM

These instructions are for Technology Coordinators who have access to the Chromebook[™] device management console to administer and manage their Chromebook[™] devices.

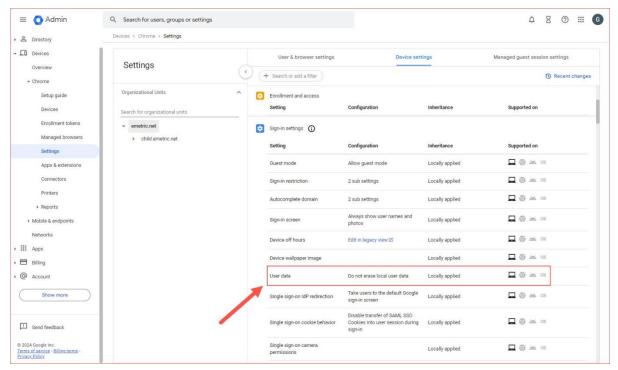
To install the MCAP Government and LS MISA app:

- 1. As the ChromebookTM administrator, log in to your Chrome OSTM management console (https://admin.google.com)
- 2. Expand the **Devices** menu, and then **Chrome**.
- 3. Click on **Settings**.



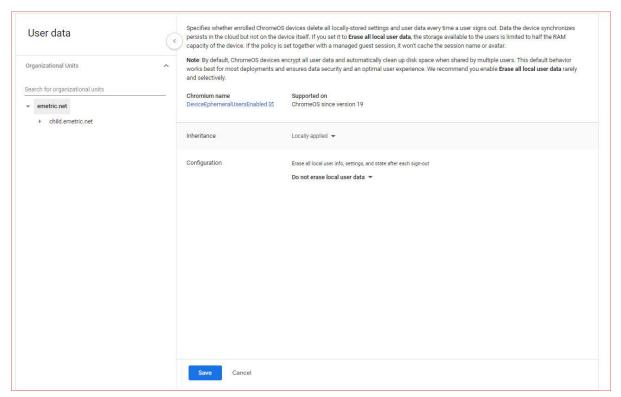


4. Click on the **Device Settings** tab, scroll to **User Data** in the **Sign-In Settings** section.



5. Verify that **Do not erase all local data** is set, if not, click on **User Data** to update the setting with the drop-down menu and click **Save**.



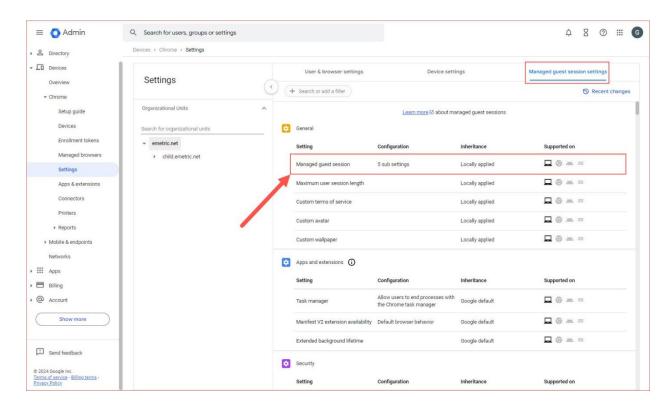




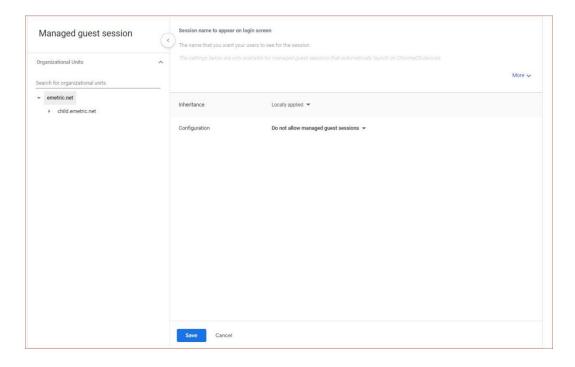
Note: This setting is crucial to allow Chrome local storage to be used to store student responses if network connectivity is lost.

6. On the Settings page, select the **Managed guest session settings tab** and then select **Managed guest session**:



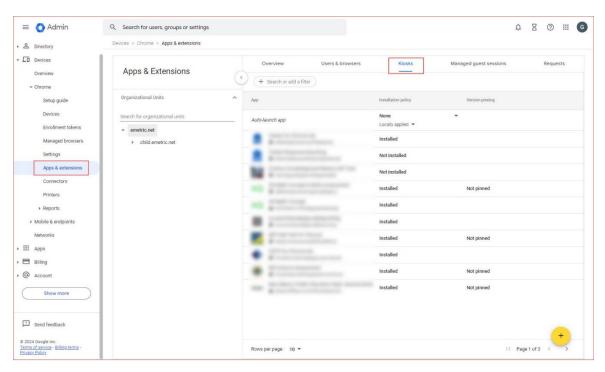


Ensure that Managed guest session is set to Do not allow managed guest sessions and click **Save**.



7. Navigate back to the **Chrome** menu on the left side of the screen and select **Apps & Extensions** and then **Kiosks**.



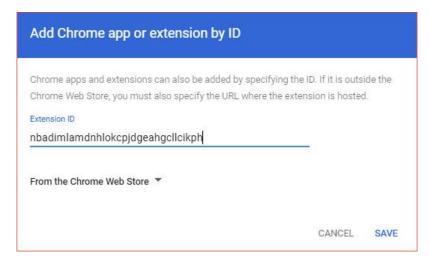


8. Expand the yellow + in the bottom-right corner and select **Add Chrome app or extension by ID**.

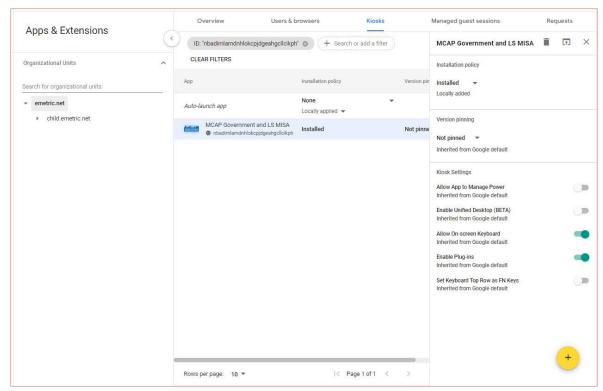


9. To add the MCAP Government and LS MISA app, enter the *MCAP Government and LS MISA* app ID (nbadimlamdnhlokcpjdgeahgcllcikph) in the Extension ID text box and press **Save**.





The MCAP Government and LS MISA app appears in the Kiosks list, and the app settings are displayed.



When these steps are completed, the MCAP Government and LS MISA application will appear on all Chromebook™ devices that are in your domain.



Important Note: Verify in Kiosk Settings that "Allow App to manage power" is **disabled**. To do this click on **Devices**, **Apps & Extensions** and then select Kiosks. Click on the **MCAP Government and LS MISA** app name and check to make sure the setting **Allow app to manage power** is **disabled** (slider is moved to the left and not green).



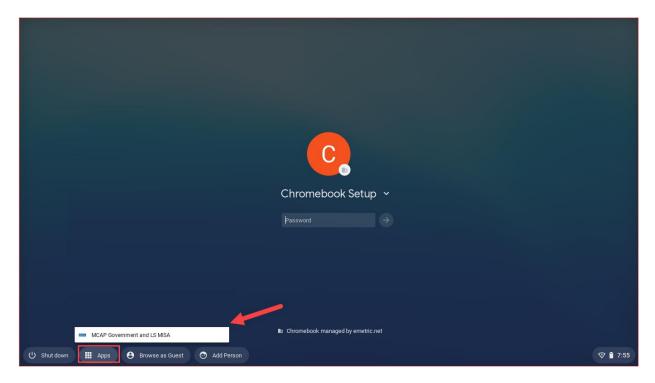


Important Note: Students with accommodations assigned will access these directly through the kiosk as they are delivered by the test platform. ChromeOS contains native accessibility features that may appear within the kiosk with a floating menu. Technology Coordinators should disable the accessibility feature in Google Admin before testing occurs to avoid issues.

When you are ready to test the Kiosk installation for this configuration, see <u>Site Readiness Testing and</u> <u>Site Certification</u>.



Important: Students should <u>not</u> log into Chromebooks[™] to take an operational test. When the Chromebooks[™] are turned on, simply click the **Apps** link in the bottom row and select the **MCAP Government and LS MISA** app. The kiosk will open in full-screen mode.



For more information, see the following links:

• Use Chromebooks[™] for Student Assessments.

Important: Read "Scenario 1: School sets up Chromebook™ to run as a Single App Kiosk running the exam app." Do <u>not</u> follow the instructions for Scenarios 2 and 3.

• <u>Manage Device Settings</u>, which provides general information for managed Chromebooks.



SITE READINESS TESTING AND SITE CERTIFICATION

PURPOSE

The **Site Readiness Test** identifies potential technical problems prior to student testing. The Test is designed to simulate a test scenario and is used to verify that testing devices meet the minimum requirements and have been properly configured.

To administer the **Site Readiness Test**, the Technology Coordinator launches the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk on each device configuration (i.e., device type and operating system) being used for testing and uses the site readiness login for the assigned school.

The **Site Readiness Test** includes the System Set-Up test, which will test your bandwidth, connectivity, screen resolution and the text-to-speech function, as well as the Student Interface Test, which will provide you with sample test questions to determine whether or not the device is capable of correctly displaying and navigating test content in iTester.

Note: The Site Readiness Test must be conducted on the secure kiosk and apps. The test does not need to be conducted on browsers used for Interim, Formative, or Practice test.

SITE READINESS TESTING

It is crucial that the **Site Readiness Test** be performed on **every** device or device configuration that will be used for testing. The results for each device tested will be captured and displayed on the Site Readiness Details page within the MCAP Government and LS MISA Portal.

Note: Starting with iPadOS 13, Apple made a change with the user agent for iPadOS. Due to this change iPads do not populate in the Site Readiness tab of the MCAP Government and LS MISA Portal. If you are an iPad school or district, we recommend running site readiness on a few iPads to ensure they pass the System Set-Up, and the Student Interface tests without issues.

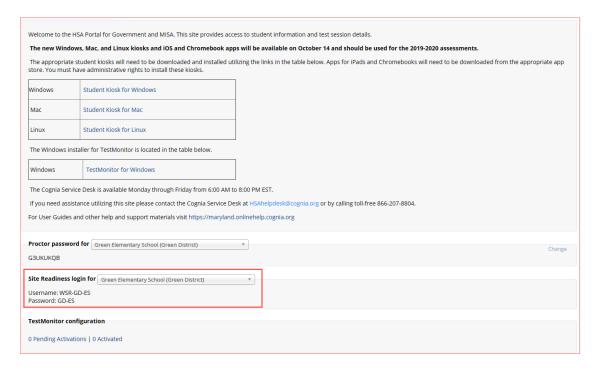
Step 1: Find the Site Readiness account information

1. Log in to the MCAP Government and LS MISA Portal with your username and password.





2. On the Portal home page, click **Administration**. The Site Readiness account information appears at the bottom of the Administration home page.



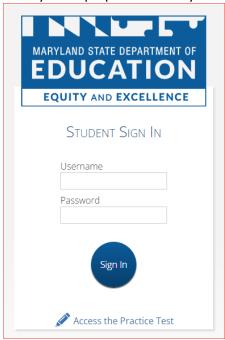
Make a note of the username and password for your school, which you will use to log in to the Kiosk.



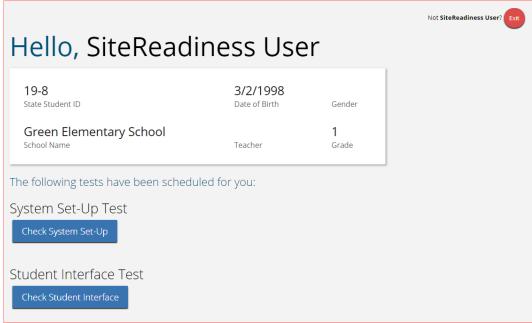
Step 2: Authenticate every device or device configuration to be used for testing

- 1. Launch the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk on the device.
- 2. Log in to the Kiosk with the Site Readiness username and password provided for your school.

Important: Use the Site Readiness login credentials exclusively for your school only. Do not use the site readiness credentials for any other purpose or for any other school.

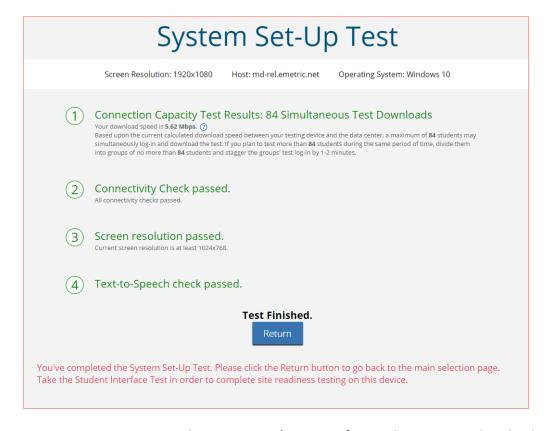


3. Verify your school's name at the top of the page. In the **System Set-Up Test** page, click the **Check System Set-Up** to begin the test.





The screen resolution, host URL, and operating system for the device are listed at the top of the System Set-Up Test page. The results of each test appear as soon as it is completed.



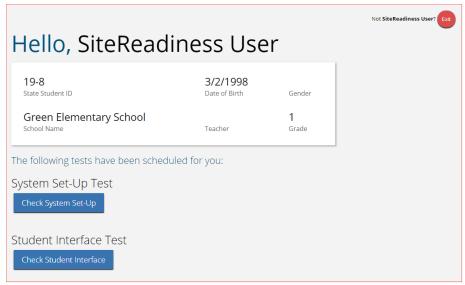
4. The Connection Capacity Test evaluates your site's capacity for simultaneous test downloads. It provides you with your current download speed between the testing device and test testing servers (data center) and based on that speed, it supplies you with the maximum number of students that may simultaneously **log-in** and **download** a test session.

If you plan to test more students that the number of simultaneous test downloads listed during the same period, we recommend dividing them into groups no greater than the number of simultaneous test downloads provided and stagger the groups' test log-in by 1-2 minutes. This will ensure that test content is downloaded without interruption.

- 5. The Connectivity Check is designed to ensure the testing device has access to both the kiosk's local storage folder where student responses will be saved if the test device loses internet connectivity, and the testing servers.
 - If the Connectivity Check fails with a message that says "The connectivity check failed. Please check your read and write permissions to the storage folders and try again or contact Support for further assistance. Error Code: 6004 StorageWriteFail", this means that the MCAP Government and LS MISA Kiosk does not have the proper permissions to the storage folder. The kiosk requires read, write, and modify permissions on Windows and Read & Write on Mac.
 - If the test fails for any other reason other than "Storage location written," please contact the Help Desk immediately.

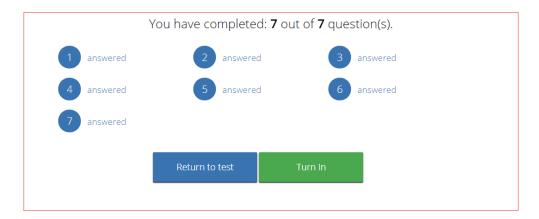


- 6. The screen resolution test will ensure that the testing device meets the required screen size and resolution for an optimal testing experience. If this test fails, adjust the screen resolution of the device.
- 7. In the **Text-to-Speech** field, click the **Test Text-to-Speech** to play a voice sample.
 - If you can hear the voice sample, click **Yes**.
 - If you cannot hear the voice sample, click **No**, and fix your audio connection. Please ensure that there is a voice package installed on your machine, that there is an audio playback device connected to the testing device (internal speakers, external speakers, headphones, etc.), the volume is not muted and is audible, and that the desired audio playback device is set as the default device.
- 8. When you are done, click **Return** to return to the Site Readiness page.
 - If all the system checks succeed, you are ready to being the next Site Readiness test.
 - If one or more system checks fail, adjust your configuration as needed and re-run the System Set-Up test.
- 9. When the System Set-Up test is completed, **click** the blue **Check Student Interface** session button.

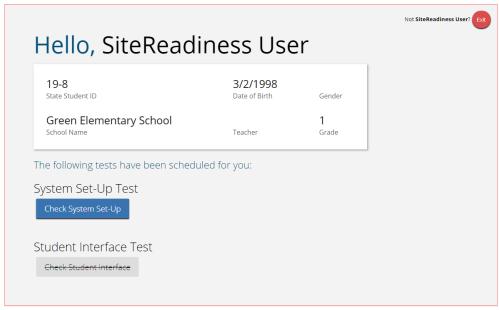


- 10. Read the instructions on the page, and then click **Continue**.
- 11. Answer each of the test questions, using the navigation buttons on the right. Ensure you can effectively use text and drawing response tools.
- 12. From the last test question page, click **Finish**.
- 13. From the Test Review page, click **Turn In** to submit your test.





- 14. To confirm, click **Turn In** again.
 You return to the Site Readiness page, where the test session is grayed out.
- 15. To exit the Site Readiness tests, click **Exit** in the top-right corner of the page.



16. To close the Kiosk, click **Exit** at the top right corner of the student profile page.



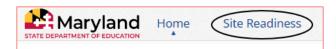
SITE CERTIFICATION

After all devices or device configurations for your school have successfully completed the Site Readiness Test, the Technology Coordinator will certify the site for testing.

1. Log in to the MCAP Government and LS MISA Portal with your username and password.



- 2. Click Administration.
- 3. Click **Site Readiness** at the top of the page.

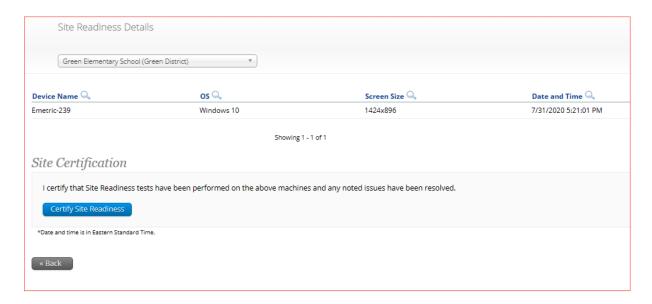


4. On the Site Readiness page, locate the school to be certified, and then click View Details.

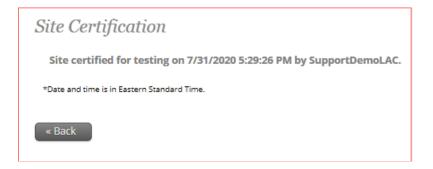


The Site Details page appears.





- 5. Verify that all the devices or device configurations for this location have successfully taken the Site Readiness test.
- 6. Click Certify Site Readiness and click Yes to confirm.



The **Site Certification** section updates with the date and time when the site was certified and username of the user who certified the site for testing.

