

# **DRC BEACON**

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DRC BEACON is an interim assessment for grades 3–8 that illuminates student learning needs and measures progress throughout the year, allowing educators to target instruction and make informed decisions. Checking for student learning should not be limited to once at the end of the year in a summative test. Today's students want to know where they stand, parents want to know if their children are on track, and teachers need to know how they can adjust instruction in their classrooms in order to maximize student learning. The DRC BEACON interim assessment does exactly that—it checks for student learning with real-time online reports at multiple points throughout the year.

### **DRC BEACON is:**

**ILLUMINATING.** To support teachers, DRC BEACON sheds light on where a student is today and what a student needs to learn tomorrow.

**ADAPTIVE.** DRC BEACON is offered in both English Language Arts and Mathematics for grades 3–8 in an adaptive online format, with a K–2 offering to follow. The online adaptive format allows students, parents, and teachers to have a more accurate picture of achievement as the item difficulty adjusts to student ability levels and pinpoints a realistic indication and diagnosis of "where students are." **FLEXIBLE.** With its flexible format, educators can assess all grade-level content, one subject area (math, reading, or language arts), or provide shorter, more focused testlets that assess only one topic (e.g., geometry in mathematics). If needed, BEACON can also be administered remotely.

**FAST.** BEACON's adaptive format yields detailed information about student performance with less testing time.

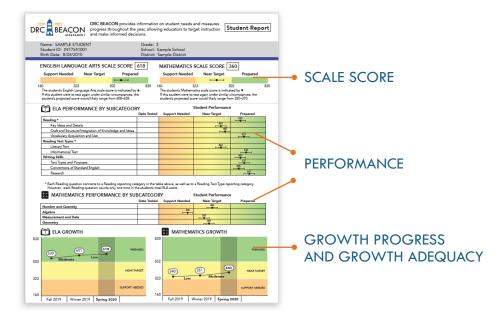


### WHAT DOES DRC BEACON PROVIDE EDUCATORS?

- Immediate, interactive reports of student results, providing data analysis and planning for intervention grouping
- Flexibility in testing comprehensively all subjects or testlets
- Results linked directly to standards and corresponding learning strategies

- Growth measures of students across administrations
- Timely information to target instruction and make informed decisions
- Scores that are predictive of end of year summative assessments

## **INNOVATIVE, INTERACTIVE SUITE OF REPORTS**



#### Measure Student Performance and Growth

Quickly review scale scores, performance by content domain, and growth progression with the Individual Student Report. BEACON performance levels are based on the premise that at the beginning of the year and throughout the year, students are engaged in learning and are working their way towards being on-track at the end of the year.

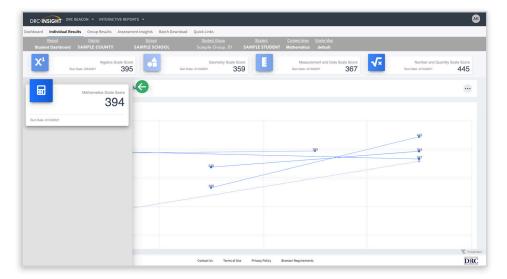
#### Reveal More with Interactive Reporting

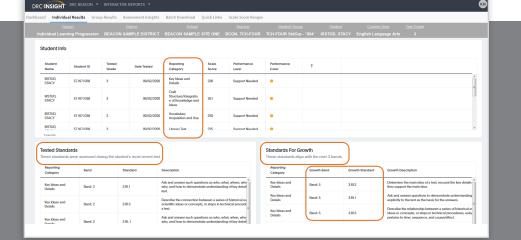
DRC BEACON's interactive reporting suite allows educators to dig deeper into a student's performance, with dynamic, on-demand reports that adjust based on user input. Teacher-friendly dashboards provide immediate and informative results to support instruction.

# Personalize Instruction for Each Student

Individual learning progressions help you differentiate instruction by identifying what your students are ready to learn next and where to focus efforts for maximum impact.













### DRC BEACON is an integrated system of assessment and learning that:

- Offers interim assessments for ELA and math in grades 3-8
- Is administered on the user-friendly DRC INSIGHT platform
- Uses a computer-adaptive algorithm to pinpoint student performance
- Generates immediate student results
- · Provides predicted score ranges on end-of-year assessment
- Allows teachers the opportunity to check for learning and monitor progress throughout the year

### **Tools for Individualized Student Learning**

Because of the dynamic nature of student reporting, teachers can easily identify students who need extra assistance or more challenges, view the next college and career standards to teach for a small group of students or individuals, and access key learning strategies to use in working with those students. BEACON makes individualized student learning interventions more easily manageable by providing data that is easily accessible and linked directly to the assessment and standards.

### Helping Students Stay on Track

DRC BEACON provides the feedback needed for grades 3–8 students to master grade-level academic requirements, and to help teachers plan instruction and administrators make well-informed decisions. BEACON's content represents current college- and career-ready expectations.

Up to three administrations during the year provide projected growth data toward end-of-year targets and pinpoint skill areas needing additional attention. Intuitive reports make it easy to track student progress and guide learning all year, so you are never without the data you need to make timely decisions about what individual students need, or what programs need to be successful.

### Familiar Online Platform

Everyone benefits when there are fewer systems to learn in a school/ district. DRC BEACON is delivered on DRC INSIGHT<sup>TM</sup>, a well-known and respected system already used by many schools nationwide.

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