

A hand is shown writing on a chalkboard. The board is covered with various mathematical symbols and formulas, including  $MV^2$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}mv^2$ , and  $(11R^2 + \dots)$ . The text is centered on the board.

*Pennsylvania Alternate System of Assessment  
(PASA)*

**Alternate Assessment Anchors  
and Alternate Eligible Content  
MATHEMATICS**

**Grades 3 and 4**

## The Layout of the PSSA Assessment Anchors and PASA Assessment Anchors Alignment Document

### Math

#### PSSA Numbering system

##### **Example: M3.A.1.1**

M = Math  
 3 = Grade  
 A = Reporting category (e.g., Numbers & Operations, Measurement, Geometry, Algebraic Concepts, Data Analysis & Probability)  
 1 = Assessment anchor  
 1 = Sub assessment anchor

#### PASA Numbering system

##### **Example: M3&4.AA.1.1a (LC)**

M = Math  
 3&4 = Grade  
 1<sup>st</sup> A = Reporting category  
 2<sup>nd</sup> A = Alternate assessment  
 1 = Assessment anchor  
 1 = Sub assessment anchor  
 a = Eligible content  
 LC = Level

PSSA Assessment Anchor

PASA Assessment Anchor

M3.A Numbers and Operations M4.A			
M3.A.1 M4.A.1	Demonstrate an understanding of numbers, ways of representing numbers, relationships among numbers and number systems.	M3&4.AA.1 Demonstrate an understanding of numbers, ways of representing numbers, relationships among numbers and number systems.	
PSSA ASSESSMENT ANCHOR		PASA ASSESSMENT ANCHOR	PASA ELIGIBLE CONTENT
GRADE 3			
M3.A.1.1 Apply place-value concepts and numeration to counting, ordering, grouping, and equivalency. M3.A.1.2 Use fractions to represent quantities as part of a whole or part of a set.	M4.A.1.1 Use models and/or words to represent quantities as decimals, fractions, or mixed numbers.	M3&4.AA.1.1 Apply numeracy concepts and use models and fractions to represent quantities as part of a whole or part of a set.	M3&4.AA.1.1 (LA) Matches 2 sets of items with 1 item each – difference between target and closest choice is 12 units – sets are cut to size M3&4.AA.1.1 (LB) Matches numeral to quantity ≤ 5 – the target and 1 set are within +/- 5 M3&4.AA.1.1a (LC) Matches numeral to quantity ≤ 9 – the target and 2 sets are within +/- 5 M3&4.AA.1.1b (LC) Selects item divided evenly...

PSSA Sub Assessment Anchor

PASA Sub Assessment Anchor

PASA Eligible Content

The layout of this document reflects the organization of the PSSA assessment anchor content standards - see 2007 PSSA Technical Report for Reading and Mathematics: Grades 3-8 and 11 (page A-2) (attached on the next page).

**PASA ASSESSMENT ANCHORS AND ELIGIBLE CONTENT  
MATH  
GRADES 3 & 4**

<b>M3.A M4.A</b> Numbers and Operations			
<b>M3.A.1 M4.A.1</b> Demonstrate an understanding of numbers, ways of representing numbers, relationships among numbers and number systems.		<b>M3&amp;4.AA.1</b> Demonstrate an understanding of numbers, ways of representing numbers, relationships among numbers and number systems.	
<b>PSSA ASSESSMENT ANCHOR</b>		<b>PASA ASSESSMENT ANCHOR</b>	<b>PASA ELIGIBLE CONTENT</b>
<b>GRADE 3</b>	<b>GRADE 4</b>		
<b>M3.A.1.1</b> Apply place-value concepts and numeration to counting, ordering, grouping, and equivalency.	<b>M4.A.1.1</b> Use models and/or words to represent quantities as decimals, fractions, or mixed numbers.	<b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.1</b> Apply numeracy concepts and use models and fractions to represent quantities as part of a whole or part of a set.	<b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.1 (LA)</b> Matches 2 sets of items with 1 item each
<b>M3.A.1.2</b> Use fractions to represent quantities as part of a whole or part of a set.			<b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.1 (LB)</b> Matches numeral to quantity
	<b>M4.A.1.2</b> Compare quantities and magnitudes or numbers.	<b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.2</b> Compare quantities and numbers, including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• orient,</li> <li>• compare quantities,</li> <li>• count, and</li> <li>• read numerals.</li> </ul>	<b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.1a (LC)</b> Matches numeral to quantity <b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.1b (LC)</b> Selects item divided evenly and in the number of pieces specified
			<b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.2a (LA)</b> Orients toward materials <b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.2b (LA)</b> Selects set with most/least –
			<b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.2a (LB)</b> Counts aloud $\leq 5$ items in unordered array <b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.2b (LB)</b> Reads number $\leq 19$
			<b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.2a (LC)</b> Counts aloud $\leq 9$ items in ordered array <b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.2b (LC)</b> Orders 4 sets of evenly spaced items <b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.2c (LC)</b> Orders 4 consecutive numbers <b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.2d (LC)</b> Counts out $\leq 9$ items from a larger unordered set

<p><b>M3.A.1.3</b> Count, compare and make change using a collection of coins and one-dollar bills.</p>	<p><b>M4.A.1.3</b> Develop and/or apply number theory to represent numbers in various ways.</p>	<p><b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.3</b> Count, compare, and make change using a collection of coins and one-dollar bills, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• identify coins and bills,</li> <li>• count coins and bills, and</li> <li>• read price.</li> </ul>	<p><b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.3 (LA)</b> Selects coin</p> <p><b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.3a (LB)</b> Counts aloud one-dollar bills or pennies</p> <p><b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.3b (LB)</b> Reads whole number price</p> <p><b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.3a (LC)</b> Selects one-, five-, ten-, or twenty-dollar bill</p> <p><b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.3b (LC)</b> Names penny, nickel, dime, or quarter</p> <p><b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.3c (LC)</b> Counts aloud one-dollar bills or pennies</p> <p><b>M3&amp;4.AA.1.3d (LC)</b> Counts out one-dollar bills from a larger set</p>
<p><b>M3.A.2</b> <b>M4.A.2</b></p>	<p><b>Understand the meanings of operations, use operations and understand how they relate to each other.</b></p>	<p><b>M3&amp;4.AA.2 Understand the meanings of operations, use operations and understand how they relate to each other.</b></p>	
<p><b>M3.A.2.1</b> <i>Understand various meanings of operations and the relationship between them.</i></p>			
	<p><b>M4.A.2.1</b> <i>Use operations to solve problems (may include word problems).</i></p>		

M3.A.3 M4.A.3	Compute accurately and fluently and make reasonable estimates.	M3&4.AA.3 Compute accurately and fluently and make reasonable estimates	
<p><b>M3.A.3.1</b> Solve problems using addition, subtraction and multiplication (straight computation and word problems).</p>		<p><b>M3&amp;4.AA.3.1</b> Solve problems using addition and subtraction.</p>	<p><b>M3&amp;4.AA.3.1a (LC)</b> Adds 2 sets of items with sums  <b>M3&amp;4.AA.3.1b (LC)</b> Adds 2 sets of similar items by counting  <b>M3&amp;4.AA.3.1c (LC)</b> Adds 3 sets of items by counting  <b>M3&amp;4.AA.3.1d (LC)</b> Adds 2 prices by counting one-dollar bills  <b>M3&amp;4.AA.3.1e (LC)</b> Subtracts 2 numbers by counting items  <b>M3&amp;4.AA.3.1f (LC)</b> Subtracts to identify part from whole  <b>M3&amp;4.AA.3.1g (LC)</b> Subtracts 2 prices</p>
	<p><b>M4.A.3.1</b> Apply rounding and/or estimation strategies to solve problems.</p>		
<p><b>M3.A.3.2</b> Use estimation skills to arrive at conclusions.</p>			
	<p><b>M4.A.3.2</b> Compute using fractions or decimals (written vertically or horizontally – straight computation only).</p>		

<b>M3.B Measurement</b>			
<b>M3.B.1 M4.B.1 Demonstrate an understanding of measurable attributes of objects and figures, and the units, systems and processes of measurement.</b>		<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1 Demonstrate an understanding of measurable attributes of objects and figures, and the units, systems and processes of measurement.</b>	
<b>M3.B.1.1</b> Determine or calculate time and elapsed time.	<b>M4.B.1.1</b> Determine time and/or calculate elapsed time.	<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.1</b> Determine time.	<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.1 (LA)</b> Selects clock
			<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.1 (LB)</b> Matches digital time at 30-minute intervals
			<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.1a (LC)</b> Reads digital time at 15-minute intervals <b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.1b (LC)</b> Reads analog time at half-hour intervals
<b>M3.B.1.2</b> Use the attributes of length, area, volume and weight of objects.		<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.2</b> Use the attributes of objects, including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• match and compare length,</li> <li>• match and compare area,</li> <li>• match and compare volume, and</li> <li>• match and compare capacity.</li> </ul>	<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.2a (LA)</b> Matches objects, pictures of items, photographs of items of same length –
			<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.2b (LA)</b> Matches identical shapes, objects, pictures, photographs of same size
			<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.2c (LA)</b> Selects biggest/smallest shape, object, picture, photograph
			<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.2d (LA)</b> Matches items with same volume
			<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.2e (LA)</b> Selects biggest/smallest object by volume
			<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.2f (LA)</b> Matches items with same capacity
			<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.2g (LA)</b> Selects item that holds the most/least
			<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1.2 (LB)</b> Selects longest/shortest item

<b>M3.B.2</b> <b>M4.B.2</b>	<b>Apply appropriate techniques, tools and formulas to determine measurements.</b>	<b>M3&amp;4.BA.1 Apply appropriate techniques, tools and formulas to determine measurements.</b>	
<b>M3.B.2.1</b> Determine the measurement of objects with non-standard and standard units.	<b>M4.B.2.1</b> Select and/or use appropriate tools and/or attributes for measuring quantities.	<b>M3&amp;4.BA.2.1</b> Determine the measurement of objects with non-standard and standard units, including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• measure length,</li> <li>• measure area, and</li> <li>• measure volume.</li> </ul>	<b>M3&amp;4.BA.2.1a (LB)</b> Measures length of item by counting <b>M3&amp;4.BA.2.1b (LB)</b> Measures item area by counting <b>M3&amp;4.BA.2.1c (LB)</b> Measures volume by counting <b>M3&amp;4.BA.2.1a (LC)</b> Measures length of item <b>M3&amp;4.BA.2.1b (LC)</b> Measures volume by counting
<b>M3.B.2.2</b> <i>Estimate measurements of familiar objects.</i>	<b>M4.B.2.2</b> <i>Estimate measurements of figures.</i>		

<b>M3.C</b> <b>M4.C</b>	<b>Geometry</b>		
<b>M3.C.1</b> <b>M4.C.1</b>	<b>Analyze characteristics and properties of two- and three-dimensional geometric shapes and demonstrate understanding of geometric relationships.</b>	<b>M3&amp;4.CA.1 Analyze characteristics and properties of two- and three- dimensional geometric shapes and demonstrate understanding of geometric relationships.</b>	
<b>M3.C.1.1</b> Identify and/or describe two- and three-dimensional objects.	<b>M4.C.1.1</b> Identify/describe the basic properties of geometric figures in two or three dimensions.	<b>M3&amp;4.CA.1.1</b> Identify and/or describe the basic properties of two- and three-dimensional geometric figures (sort).	<b>M3&amp;4.CA.1.1 (LA)</b> Sorts 1 object into 1 of 3 existing groups <b>M3&amp;4.CA.1.1 (LB)</b> Sorts 4 items into 4 groups <b>M3&amp;4.CA.1.1 (LC)</b> Sorts 8 items into 4 groups
	<b>M4C.1.2</b> <i>Represent and/or use properties or relationships of points, lines, line segments, rays, and angles.</i>		

<b>M3.C.2</b>		<b>Identify and/or apply concepts of transformations or symmetry.</b>	
<b>M4.C.2</b>			
<i>M3.C.2.1</i>	<i>Apply the concepts of transformations and symmetry.</i>		
	<i>M4.C.2.1</i>	<i>Apply the concepts of reflection and symmetry.</i>	
<b>M3.C.3</b>		<b>Locate points or describe relationships using the coordinate plane.</b>	
<b>M4.C.3</b>			
<i>M4C.3.1</i>	<i>Locate points on a simple grid.</i>		

<b>M3.D</b>			
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<b>M3.D.1</b>		<b>Demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relations and functions.</b>	
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		<b>Demonstrate an understanding of patterns, relations and functions.</b>	
<i>M3.D.1.1</i>	<i>Recognize, describe, or extend a variety of patterns.</i>	<i>M4.D.1.1</i>	<i>Recognize, describe, extend, create, and/or replace a variety of patterns.</i>
	<i>M4.D.1.2</i>	<i>Apply simple function rules.</i>	

<b>M3.D.2</b> <b>M4.D.2</b>	<b>Represent and/or analyze mathematical situations using numbers, symbols, words, tables and/or graphs.</b>		
<i>M3.D.2.1 Create/model expressions, equations and inequalities to match a problem situation.</i>			
	<i>M4.D.2.1 Use numbers and symbols to model the concepts of expression and/or equations.</i>		
<i>M3.D.2.2 Determine the missing number or symbol in a number sentence.</i>	<i>M4.D.2.2 Determine the missing number or symbol in a number sentence.</i>		
<b>M3.D.3</b> <b>M4.D.3</b>	<b>Analyze change in various contexts.</b>		
<b>Not assessed.</b>			
<b>M3.D.4</b> <b>M4.D.4</b>	<b>Describe or use models to represent quantitative relationships.</b>		
<b>Not assessed.</b>			

<b>M3.E M4.E</b>				<b>Data Analysis and Probability</b>			
<b>M3.E.1 M4.E.1</b>		<b>Formulate or answer questions that can be addressed with data and/or organize, display, interpret, or analyze data.</b>		<b>M3&amp;4.EA.1 Formulate or answer questions that can be addressed with data and/or organize, display, interpret, or analyze data.</b>			
<b>M3.E.1.1</b> Answer questions based on data shown on tables, charts, and bar graphs.		<b>M4.E.1.1</b> Interpret data shown on tables, charts, line graphs, bar graphs, or pictographs.		<b>M3&amp;4.EA.1.1</b> Interpret and answer questions based on data, including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• interpret graphs, and</li> <li>• interpret tables.</li> </ul>		<b>M3&amp;4.EA.1.1a (LB)</b> Selects largest/smallest value from graph <b>M3&amp;4.EA.1.1b (LB)</b> Locates number described in a one-variable display with 4 entries	
						<b>M3&amp;4.EA.1.1a (LC)</b> Selects largest/smallest value from graph <b>M3&amp;4.EA.1.1b (LC)</b> Locates number described in 5-6 item display	
<b>M3E.1.2</b> Organize or display data using tables, charts, bar graphs.		<b>M4.E.1.2</b> Organize or display data using tables, bar graphs, line graphs, or pictographs.					
<b>M3.E.2 M4.E.2</b>		<b>Select and/or use appropriate statistical methods to analyze data.</b>					
<i>Not assessed.</i>							
<b>M3.E.3 M4.E.3</b>		<b>Understand and/or apply basic concepts of probability or outcomes.</b>		<b>M3&amp;4.EA.3 Understand and/or apply basic concepts of probability or outcomes.</b>			
<b>M4.E.3.1</b> Predict and/or measure the likelihood of events.				<b>M3&amp;4.EA.3.1</b> Predict and/or measure the likelihood of events.		<b>M3&amp;4.EA.3.1 (LC)</b> Selects most/least likely outcome, given the characteristics of a population	
<b>M3.E.4 M4.E.4</b>		<b>Develop and/or evaluate inferences and predictions or draw</b>					

<b>conclusions based on data or data displays.</b>		
<i>Not assessed.</i>		