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| **January partner update**  |
| This month’s communication provides key information that will help you have a successful winter testing season. You can also find current and past partner updates on the [**NWEA Connection Product Updates page**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvleGi2kskzOhzw_F_CgpZiu5cRzABm2rx-3NAuw9ELDxfojApV1S2UvpeqaSzo4cxSTA%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6jWrtT40$).**Product updates:** There are no product updates for January 2022.**Back-to-school 2022 tech updates:** [**Learn more**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvlpnMLKYYbVOqSkt5RIjywoisoKBRiZCLmDQ4s81j6MarSLjOYS9TWZUgxo0jT8tNadc%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q69LqR96U$) about upcoming tech updates and new software minimum requirements for the 2022–23 school year.**Winter testing:Testing URL without a pop-up window:**Find out [**about a way**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvlphQ8okhGbtJd5ZXZc1qHo9RLCtiWewkaXdUvAfNiZaR1NNRwUYVJTmYotszyyqTsaA%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6R9oYGJU$) to reduce issues associated with pop-up blockers for students who are remote testing.**Helpful winter testing knowledge articles:** Here are some important things to consider as your school begins winter testing. These are just a few of the knowledge articles that can be found on our [**NWEA Connection knowledge article homepage.**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvlR51H9nZ-PMa1ZT6sMBdNHv6BHyCpuf8aVxGm5maLennDPMv0Jz0v6CHooXLuwcZeYw%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6x6Q_otM$)* [**How does a student’s fall-to-spring growth projection change with a winter test result?**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvlVe8mzKkKXAN4BYzTpySnlg5hvi4Io_kuGNgax7gWCcUlCierKW3p2dX7OH3hQd-Px0%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6p5K7Qhg$)
* [**Do I need to submit another roster file for winter testing?**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvlmNcZYvyA71-BxbmERaudOAFLz8EpZBDDDSptyAX386rzvx3eKhDE0vzqJj4nk05TQk%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6qOsMPZM$)
* [**How early can we begin creating winter test sessions?**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvlgMU14Xihp-cstTDre7J4JHH1C_DoJHwJSLI24ZI-ni_4KAZea-Yt6VNH2HEicGcIOo%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6kVJkY6Q$)

**Important information:Rostered class sizes may impact the speed of report delivery:**We have received reports that some districts are experiencing slowness in the reporting system and have identified that the method these partners use to roster their students may explain a portion of the slowness. These districts rostered a greater than suggested number of students in a class, which creates issues when trying to generate aggregate reports such as the Class or Grade Report. MAP Growth reports are optimized for typical class sizes in North America (around 25–40 students per class). If you are experiencing report-generation slowness, we recommend you verify that your class sizes are aligned with North American averages. [**Learn more about how MAP products and Clever work together to simplify the rostering process.**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvlYiNAZkP2hUh5wVbW2Q9G5QS0PxDPcUUx4s7MzTyniFaFoX_2z41uIXXe_4mLBNXyCE%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6fQvH6Q8$) **Reminder—the following product updates were effective November 2021:**[**Technical updates**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvlb17lZu5ZDUc2BWcmzy5vynd1sjYFibCKzbr8lTDnI5wWCfoAZjYHsrTpN5anXaI7lk%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6Qr_FI1w$)MAP Growth now supports use of Mac OS12 (Monterey), iOS15, and Safari 15. You can always find current and past partner updates in the [**product update section**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvleGi2kskzOhzw_F_CgpZiu5cRzABm2rx-3NAuw9ELDxfojApV1S2UvpeqaSzo4cxSTA%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6jWrtT40$) of [**NWEA Connection**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvlasKS4an8AOaPqC30TXBZ6SsBuCaxntAvzIaappSw5dxqFRniAMmUzWXrr-bJSDq3dM%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6zeE7lmE$).**System maintenance schedule**The [**system maintenance calendar**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvlc0bA5jaWpqPRXc16Wvh9x3ob5iv625KlAAgX417ZDyeC3_bJVVHyPW6BgmDOLrsKnc%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q60OKn560$) includes dates for upcoming scheduled maintenance and software updates. To best plan your testing, be sure to check the schedule periodically to ensure no revisions have been made. **We’re here when you need us—contact Partner Support**Need help? If the issue you’re experiencing isn’t urgent, visit our [**NWEA Connection Support page**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvlvCVnKbiqxHvzZIme7AwpPgDzieFFXYjUtV_RXRElJJLVoEULSe6gZ6PzHB_YNm3Ui0%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6nGzcNek$), where you can open a support case or chat with the support team. You can also email us at [**techsupport@nwea.org**](https://urldefense.com/v3/__http%3A/mkto-g0180.com/OTc2LUlZSS02OTQAAAGCMBSvluwfH3wKFfcO9f6sPeptm-9YDma61Nvpz0f9k7zUb11smDAOaZDpVda9Av7QZzlH-TI%3D__;!!IgVO_fivXNuCtWYCOg!bQGZ9JpuJrRxfOn-6L7gAnsxlrJIziZpZ0KGuFonzq2F-M4HnGqmh38WRZZJ-3Q6T4pwfno$) or call us at 877.469.3287.  |

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